



# Cycle of Prayer

## October 2024



**Every day the cycle gives a prompt to prayer for the mission and ministry of the Diocese of Derby. Please include these prayers in your own daily intercessions, individually, as a community or in your local church.**

### **Tuesday 1 October**

For the Assistant Dean Phil Mitchell who is in on sabbatical, and the Acting Assistant Area Dean, Richard Reade. For the work of the deanery synod, Deanery Leadership Team and Deanery Administrator

### **Wednesday 2 October**

For all those holding the Bishop's Licence to minister in the Carsington Deanery, clergy and Readers, and those holding Permission to Officiate

### **Thursday 3 October**

For the parishes of Fenny Bentley, Thorpe, Tissington, Parwich and Alsop-en-le-Dale and for the ministry of Nicola McNally as their priest in charge.

### **Friday 4 October**

St Francis of Assisi

Giving thanks for the beauty of creation. We remember those who serve in the Agricultural chaplaincy and the ministry they have amongst our many farming communities.

### **Saturday 5 October**

For the parishes of Ashbourne with Mapleton, with Ashbourne St. John currently in vacancy. For the Wardens, PCC Chairs and all those supporting the ministry and mission of the churches in these communities.

### **Sunday 6 October**

Trinity 19

**For all the Harvest Services, celebrations and events during this month. Giving thanks for the fellowship and friendship of our church communities in welcoming schools and other groups and partner organisations during this season.**

### **Monday 7 October**

For the parish of Clifton during the current vacancy. We pray for Clifton Primary School, their headteacher, for pupils, staff and governors.

### **Tuesday 8 October**

For the parishes of Norbury with Snelston, and for their ministry to visitors.

### **Wednesday 9 October**

For the parishes of Hulland, Atlow, Kniveton, Bradley and Hognaston. For the Rector Phil Mitchell, during his sabbatical, for all those holding the ministry and mission of the parishes during this time. For the Curate Lisa Taylor and her ministry. For Bradley, Hulland, Kniveton church primary schools, their headteachers, for pupils, staff and governors

### **Thursday 10 October**

St Paulinus of York

Giving thanks for the ministry of the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, praying for the Dioceses of the northern province.

### **Friday 11 October**

For the parishes of Brailsford with Shirley, Osmaston with Edlaston and Yeaveley. Praying for the ministry of the Rector Bex Allpress. For the church school at Brailsford and their executive headteacher, for pupils, staff and governors

### **Saturday 12 October**

For the Diocesan Synod meeting today. For Bishop Libby as President of the Synod, the Diocesan Secretary Will Hagger, Chair of the DBF Mark Titterton, and the Diocesan Registrar Ian Blaney. For all members of the Synod.

## **Sunday 13 October**

Trinity 20

For the mission of our church communities remembering the words of the gospel 'many who are first will be last, and the last will be first'. Help us in humility to be faithful witnessing and disciples of Jesus.

## **Monday 14 October**

Diocesan Clergy Conference

For all those who have organised this conference, giving thanks for all their work on behalf of the ministry of the diocese.

## **Tuesday 15 October**

St Teresa of Avila

Diocesan Clergy Conference

Remembering St Teresa today, giving thanks for the life of prayer. Praying that the Clergy Conference will deepen the relationship with God of all attendees.

## **Wednesday 16 October**

Diocesan Clergy Conference

For all those who are speaking or leading at the conference that they bring challenge, inspiration, resource and blessing.

## **Thursday 17 October**

For the parishes of Wirksworth Team (comprising Wirksworth with Aldersley, Carsington, Idridgehay, Kirk Ireton, Middleton, Bradbourne and Brassington, Bonsall, Elton.) We pray for the Team Rector, Neil Griffiths and for all seeking to fill the current vacancy for a Team Vicar. For Wirksworth, Carsington & Hopton, Kirk Ireton, Bonsall, Elton church schools, their headteachers, for pupils, staff and governors.

## **Friday 18 October**

St Luke the Evangelist

For our local hospitals, GP surgeries, doctors, nursing and admin staff, for the work of healing in the NHS and for the ministry of healing in our parishes.

## **Saturday 19 October**

For the parishes of Matlock Bath and Cromford, giving thanks for the ministry of Rev Stephen Monk for his ministry and the mission of the churches. We pray for Cromford church school for the headteacher, for pupils, staff and governors. For the joint Parishes Weekend across the Matlock and Darley area in November being run by Rural Missions Solutions.

## **Sunday 20 October**

**Sunday – Trinity 21**

**For the 'servant ministry' of all disciples of Jesus as we seek to 'serve our local contexts'**

## **Monday 21 October**

For the parishes of Darley, South Darley and Winster, giving thanks for the ministry of Rev Stephen Monk For the church schools of Darley Churchtown, South Darley and Winster and for their headteachers, for pupils, staff and governors.

## **Tuesday 22 October**

For the parishes of Matlock, Dethick, Lea and Holloway giving thanks for the ministry of Katrina Jenkins as new Priest in Charge. For St Giles church school and for the headteacher, for pupils, staff and governors.

## **Wednesday 23 October**

For the parishes Matlock Bank and Tansley giving thanks for the ministry of Rev Richard Reade For All Saints Infant and Junior church schools, for headteachers, for pupils, staff and governors.

## **Thursday 24 October**

For the deanery Readers, giving thanks for their ministry in all the congregations of the deanery.

## **Friday 25 October**

For the deanery retired clergy and Readers with PtO, giving thanks for their continuing ministries.

## **Saturday 26 October**

For all our local schools during this half term break, praying for all to be refreshed by this short break, and for all headteachers and school staff to be resourced and renewed in their challenging roles.

## Sunday 27 October

Last after Trinity – Bible Sunday

For the gift of the Bible, for parish bible study groups, for all lesson readers in church and all preachers that the good news may be proclaimed afresh in this generation.

## Monday 28 October

For the diocesan Discipleship, Mission and Ministry Team. For the Dwayne Engh as Ordained Ministries Officer, Ben Martin as Lay Ministries Officer. We pray for all those offering training for ministry and the places they serve

## Tuesday 29 October

For the Director of Ordinands and Vocations, the Assistant DDOs and the Team Administrator for Vocations and Wellbeing. We give thanks for all those exploring their vocation to ministry and for all those with the responsibility of discernment. Pray for the wellbeing of those in leadership within the diocese, deaneries and parishes.

## Wednesday 30 October

For the diocesan Finance and Property teams giving thanks for all these teams do to resource mission in the diocese and the skills the team members bring.

## Thursday 31 October

For the diocesan deliverance team giving thanks for the resource the team offer to those ministering to the 'fearful, afraid and confused.'

### Our vision prayer

Gracious God,  
in your mercy, and for your glory,  
renew us, reshape us, revive us -  
with generous faith, courageous hope, and life-giving  
love -  
that, in transformed lives, through growing church and  
building community,  
we may see your Kingdom come  
and be good news for all.  
Amen.

### The 2027 Community of Prayer

We are the Diocese of Derby network of prayer – praying together, as we prepare to celebrate our centenary in 2027, for transformed lives in growing church and building community the length and breadth of our diocese.

We hope that over the next five years, 2027 people will commit to regular prayer, as individuals, churches, groups or schools.

We encourage you to be part of the 2027 Community of Prayer and register at [www.derby.anglican.org/2027](http://www.derby.anglican.org/2027).