

## April 2024

*Pray for Children of the World facing poverty and starvation from war and climate change*

Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ministry Team – Steven, John, Emma, Reg and Jim. Joanne – Admin; Vaughan and Linda - Church Wardens
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	For those who attended the church for the Easter Services. Praying that the Holy Spirit will speak to them about Jesus.
Wednesday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Celtic Morning Prayer 9.30am</b> <b>Men's Group 7pm</b>
Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Make Lunch; Ladies Group The parish churches of Therfield and Kelshall, Therfield Chapel
Friday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Royston Hospital
Saturday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Evangelical Church Foodbank
<b><i>All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. Acts 4, 32</i></b>		
Sunday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Low Sunday – remembering Jesus appearing to the Disciples Trinity Life Church and their new pastor Peter Chapman
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Kennedy Court St George's Care Home
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran Pastor, Martyr, 1945</b> Tannery Drift First School; Studlands Rise First School
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	Parishes of Barley, Barkway and Reed;
Thursday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Tots-in-Church St Mary's Primary School
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Roysia Surgery Addenbrookes and Lister Hospital
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Parishes Churches of Bassingbourn and Whaddon
<b><i>The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3, 17</i></b>		
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Children's church and those who lead and help
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Goodes Court

Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Icknield Walk First School;
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Church in Wales Governing Body meeting</b> Members of the Town Council and NHDC
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Tots-in-Church; URC churches - Bassingbourn, Buntingford, Great Chishill and Melbourn Ashwell URC
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Alphege, Archbishop, Martyr, 1012 (See Across Royston)</b> Market Hill Surgery; Royston Health Centre
Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Melbourn Baptist Church Vietnamese Church – for their pastor
<b><i>The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us. 1 John 3, 24</i></b>		
Sunday	21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Vocations Sunday; Those running in the London Marathon</b> <b>Tea Time Praise</b>
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>World Earth Day, prayer for environmental protection ; P.C.C</b> Richard Cox House
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>St. George, patron of England</b> St James Academy – Students as they prepare for exams
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Methodist Churches in Royston and villages
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Mark the Evangelist</b> Roman Way First School
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Work of USPG (United Society Partners in the Gospel) <a href="https://www.uspg.org.uk/">https://www.uspg.org.uk/</a>
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Christina Rossetti, Poet (See Across Royston April 2022)</b> St Thomas' Catholic Church
<b><i>Jesus said: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15, 5</i></b>		
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Bell ringing team – ringing on Sundays and practising on Thursdays
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup>	Collingwood Court Mary Barfield House
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Orchard Project (incl 28 Too Many) – FGMC <a href="https://www.orchidproject.org/">https://www.orchidproject.org/</a>

### Mission Focus- USPG

USPG supports the Anglican Worldwide Church. One area is related to climate change

This month in their prayer diary from 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> April they are praying for the people of the Solomon Islands. <https://www.uspg.org.uk/resources/pray/>

Rev Kate Komepwaisiho, writes:

'The effect of Climate Change has sadly affected many parts of the world, causing melting ice caps, higher temperatures, irregular rainfalls, rising sea levels, droughts and wildfires, damaged corals, stronger storms etc. Likewise, some of the climate-related hazards in the Solomon Islands include severe shoreline erosion and increased flooding frequency, higher temperatures, unpredictable weather patterns, increasing sea surface temperatures and sea level rise.

She concludes:

The beauty of village life is the richness of community – looking out for each other and sharing with one another. However, there is also an increase in population yet a lack of land among our people. In my village, relatives really need to take extra care and urgent actions about their usage of resources on the mainland because climate change has indeed affected their environment and the way they live. It is my prayer that we continue to use wisely the resources and the beautiful environment our heavenly Father has entrusted unto us, so that our children, grandchildren and future generations will continue to enjoy.

### Prayer for the community

Living God,  
Draw us deeper into your love;  
Jesus our Lord,  
Send us to care and serve;  
Holy Spirit,  
Make us heralds of good news.  
Stir us, strengthen us, teach and  
inspire us to live your love  
with generosity and joy,  
imagination and courage;  
for the sake of your world and in  
the name of Jesus. Amen.

# St John the Baptist Church Royston



Pray for the children of the world

## Prayer Diary April 2024