

Thursdays

Erith Deanery

Give thanks and pray for The Revd Jim Bennett, our Area Dean

St Augustine Belvedere

We give thanks for God's wonderful provision of a new parish priest. He is Fr Kevin Smith SSC, currently Priest Administrator of the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. The institution will be this summer

Fridays

Orpington Deanery

Give thanks and pray for The Revd Neil Coleman, our Area Dean. Pray God's blessing on all parishes and communities in the Deanery

Pray for our country, still affected by industrial unrest

Saturdays

On Saturday 20th the Diocese is running Messy Church in the Cathedral. This is open to the whole Diocese. Please pray for a good response in spite of travelling distance

Sidcup Deanery

Give thanks and pray for The Revd Mell Jemmett, our Area Dean, and pray God's blessing on all parishes and communities in the Deanery

Ukraine

Continue to pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for continued resilience and protection for all, especially the most vulnerable. Pray for peace with justice the most vulnerable. Pray for peace with justice.

Compiled by Jenny Smith - prayer coordinator for the Archdeaconry of Bromley and Bexley

The Diocesan Fellowship of Prayers

'Praying the Way'

April 2024: The Archdeaconry of Bromley & Bexley

**Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

Sundays

We pray God's blessing on our King and Royal Family

We pray for our government, both national and local, that they may make wise and compassionate decisions that benefit all. Take a few moments to pray for your local MP



Continue to pray for Bishops Jonathan and Simon and Archdeacons Allie, Andy and Sharon as they serve as leaders of our Diocese. Pray especially for our own Archdeacon, The Ven Allie Kerr

Pray for Bishop Simon as he takes a Confirmation service at St John's Erith on 21st. Pray for blessing on those being confirmed and on the congregation of St John's church for the first time this Easter will catch the joy of worshipping Christians and begin to understand the gospel message of resurrection

Monday

Give thanks and pray for The Revd Jeremy Blunden, our Area Dean, and pray God's blessing on all parishes and communities in the Deanery

The Easter Season

We pray God's blessing on us and on our churches as the Easter Season begins on 1st. Pray that we may take time to rejoice in the Risen Christ and to ponder on the wonder of the Resurrection

Community Engagement & Social Action

We pray for churches as they seek ways to support their communities

We pray for those suffering from poverty and deprivation and for those struggling to make ends meet

We pray for the work of Food Banks

We pray for those with mental illnesses

We pray for refugee groups and for churches supporting them

The Middle East

Pray for the Holy Land and for an end to war and famine

Tuesdays

Give thanks and pray for The Revd Victoria Pask, our Area Dean

The Annunciation Chislehurst

Pray God's blessing on our Patronal Festival Sung Mass on Sunday 7th, where the preacher will be Fr Philip Barnes, former Shrine Priest at Walsingham

Christ Church Chislehurst

Give thanks for continued growth of numbers of new families on Sundays and for the improvement in health of our Family Minister, Catherine

Pray God's provision of capacity and resources to nurture our new adults and young people

Pray for the Bible Course which runs from April to June

Pray for plans to raise up new leaders from within the congregation

Christ Church Bromley

Pray that many will join us to celebrate the Risen Christ and hear the good news of salvation in Jesus

We give thanks for our new vicar, The Rev Canon Mark Redhouse, who is being installed in our church on 25th May. We pray that he will receive a great welcome, settle into his new home, and lead us faithfully

St John the Evangelist Bromley

Our ongoing prayer is that by God's grace we may faithfully hold out the word of life to our local community here in our corner of Bromley

St Mary the Virgin Hayes

We ask prayer for our Communications Team, which takes our activities and the Word of God to the wider community

Please pray for our growing Twinkles Group for parents with babies and toddlers

Pray for our newly formed Craft Group, who go from strength to strength and make gifts for every season

Pray for those who are ill in body, mind or spirit and for those grieving, that they will know the presence of Jesus sustaining them in their time of healing

St Nicholas Chislehurst

Pray for us at this time of interregnum, that we find a kind and diligent pastor to be our new rector

Wednesdays

Licensed Lay Ministry

Pray for interviews for a new Director of Mission & Ministry planned for 19th. Please pray for a successful appointment

We thank God for his faithfulness in the ever-changing seasons, for the beauty of spring flowers and the song of birds. We pray that world leaders will be mindful that this is God's creation and will treat our planet with respect