

'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'

John 3:16



PRAYER DIARY

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*BATH ROAD
CHRIST CHURCH*

*IMMANUEL
ST MARY'S*

The Partnership Prayer:

Loving God we are one in Jesus Christ.
Help us to live out this unity in our partnership through mission;
so that those around us may turn to Jesus who is the way the
truth and the life. In his name we pray.

*Swindon Old Town
Partnership of Churches*

1 As this season of Lent draws to its close, we pray that we might be renewed in spirit, remain steadfast in hope and ready to follow Jesus more closely.

2 Maundy Thursday, we remember Jesus' last supper with his disciples and pray for friends gathered together for the Partnership's Agape Supper at Immanuel Church this evening.

3 Good Friday, we recall Jesus' ultimate sacrifice, death on the cross, and pray for the Meditations at the Cross to be led by Revd Dr Marcus Torchon at Christ Church today.

4 Easter Eve, we pray for a day of peaceful reflection as we await the joy of Easter morning.

5 Easter Sunday – Jesus is Risen! Alleluia! As we celebrate Jesus' resurrection we pray for all those attending services in our Partnership Churches this Easter Day and give thanks for the good news of Easter.

6 On this Bank Holiday Monday, we pray for the Easter Family Fete at Christ Church. We pray too for all who feel in need of a day of rest and relaxation.

7 We pray for the Lunch Club at Bath Road Church today and give thanks for the volunteers. May those who attend enjoy good food and companionship together.

8 We give thanks for all who work in our local parks and open spaces especially for the enjoyment of this month's Blossom Festival.

9 We pray for the Elders' meeting at Immanuel URC Church this evening.

10 We pray for the clergy and all who lead, preach and teach in our churches; seeking to do God's will and guiding us on our spiritual and worldly journeys.

11 We give thanks for the community we live in and pray for the Community Breakfast at Bath Road Church this morning.

12 As our congregations meet across the partnership today, we give thanks for the freedom to worship and pray for Christians across the world persecuted for their faith.

13 At the start of a new school term, we pray for the teachers and children and young people in our local schools and colleges.

14 We pray for those attending Tea and Chat at Immanuel Church this afternoon – for fellowship and good conversation.

15 April is World Autism Acceptance Month – we pray for a world that sees beyond a diagnosis to the wonderful, unique person within.

16 We pray for all the groups that meet in the various church buildings in OTPC and give thanks for the diversity of activities available for our community to take part in.

17 We pray for the leaders and children and young people who are members of the uniformed organisations in our community, some meeting in our own churches.

18 We pray and give thanks for the staff and volunteers at Prospect Hospice and ask God's blessing on the Men's Walk this evening raising much needed funds.

19 We pray for God's guidance at our churches' annual meetings today – The AGM at Immanuel Church as new elders are voted into service, the APCM at Christ Church as church wardens and PCC members are elected and the AGM at Bath Road Church as stewards and church council reps are elected.

20 We give thanks for the weekly Lunch Club at Christ Church Community Centre and pray that all who visit enjoy good food and companionship.

21 We pray for the organisations and charities in our community who work to help and support the homeless, the hungry and all who find day to day living a struggle.

22 On this, Earth Day, we thank God for the wonders of creation and pray that we might live and work to care for the beautiful world he gave us to share.

23 On St George's Day, we pray for the courage and bravery of St George to stand as Christians for what we believe and what is just.

24 We pray for the Iona Worship group meeting together at St Mary's Church this afternoon.

25 We give thanks for the gift of music in our churches and pray for our church choirs and musicians.

26 As the OTPC congregations join together at Immanuel Church this morning for The Revd Robert Jordan's farewell service, we give thanks for Robert's ministry and ask God's blessing on him during his retirement.

27 We think of people who might feel socially isolated in our community and pray for those attending the Open House at Bath Road Church today. That friendship and laughter will abound.

28 We pray for all who are ill in hospital or at home and ask for God's comfort and healing. For strength, too, to all who care for them.

29 We pray for our local councillors and the upcoming local elections.

30 As we look forward to the month of May and the promise of Summer, we thank God for all the new life that Spring has gifted to us.