



Wednesday 21st February  
Ember Day  
**Roseberry Park Hospital**  
Please pray for all who live with mental health problems and learning disabilities and especially for those in hospital: for recovery, hope and new purpose. Pray for families and friends, for the care of hospital staff, and for acceptance and compassion in wider society. Pray too for chaplains: Ibrahim Meah, Richard Bradshaw, Osaro Omobude and Bernard Morgan  
**Diocese of Banks and Torres (Melanesia). Bishop Alfred Worek**

Thursday 22nd February  
**South Tees NHS Foundation Trust**  
Chaplains: The Revd Marie Edwards, The Revd Robert Gee, The Revd Len Collings, The Revd Sarah Ramsden, The Revd Rodney Breckon.  
Please pray for all the staff and volunteers of the trust. Please pray for the work we do here as a chaplaincy team, especially with the palliative care patients and their families. Please pray that God will give us compassion, wisdom and discernment as we visit with those who need us each day. Please pray for Revd Elisabeth Jordan as she plans for her retirement in March.  
**Diocese of Bari (Kaduna, Nigeria). Bishop Idris Zubairu**

Friday 23rd February  
Polycarp, bishop, martyr, c.155  
Ember Day  
**Mission to Seafarers**  
Please pray for all involved in providing support to seafarers from all over the world who visit Teesside. Pray for those who earn their living on the sea, often separated from friends and families for many months and facing the dangers of weather and piracy.  
**Diocese of Barisal (Bangladesh). Bishop Shourabh Pholia**

Saturday 24th February  
Ember Day  
**Diocese of Durham**  
The Rt Revd Paul Butler  
Durham Diocese gives thanks to God for the Talking Jesus weekend last March. The impact of the Prayer Project across many schools. Pray for real growth in depth, engagement and numbers; impact on poverty and for children and young people. May we bless our communities in Jesus' name for the transformation of us all.  
**Diocese of Barrackpore (North India). Bishop Brojen Malakar**

Sunday 25th February  
2nd Sunday of Lent  
**Durham Cathedral**  
Dean: The Very Revd Andrew Tremlett  
Building on the 'Talking Jesus' mission led by ++Sentamu and the Cathedral's outreach to the ¼ million people who attended the 2017 Lumière Festival, we ask for wisdom and discernment about how best to use our deep heritage to touch the lives of many with the love of Christ.  
**Pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America. Archbishop Sturdie Downs**

Monday 26th February  
**Diocesan Registry**  
Registrar: Caroline Mockford, Faculty Secretary: Hazel Bell, Registry Clerks: Jess Smith, Samantha Lines-White  
Please pray for those engaged in the faculty process, giving their time and energy to develop building and maintenance projects to support the mission of their churches and for those in parishes or the wider diocese addressing difficult situations that require legal advice.  
**Diocese of Bath and Wells (Canterbury, England). Bishop Peter Hancock**

Tuesday 27th February  
George Herbert, priest, poet, 1633  
**Diocese of Sodor and Man**  
The Rt Revd Peter Eagles  
Please give thanks for the appointment of our new Bishop, Peter, and pray that as he continues to visit the parishes within the diocese he will discern the will of God for the Church on the Isle of Man. Please also pray for the many exciting ideas being developed across the diocese especially the Growing Faith for Generations programme as we look to proclaim the Gospel of Christ throughout the Island.  
**Diocese of Bathurst ( New South Wales, Australia). Bishop Ian Palmer**

Wednesday 28th February  
**Peel Cathedral**  
Dean: The Very Revd Nigel Godfrey.  
We pray for the life of St German's Cathedral, giving thanks for our lay and clerical staff and volunteers who give so generously of their time in a great variety of fields. We pray particularly for our developing choirs and choristers and the associated ministry to their families.  
**Diocese of Bauchi (Jos, Nigeria). Bishop Musa Tula**

Thursday 1st February  
Brigid, abbess, c.525  
**Bishop of Whithy**  
Bishop of Whithy: The Rt Revd Paul Ferguson, PA: Mandy Robinson  
Give thanks for the variety of traditional and innovative worship and mission across the Archdeaconry of Cleveland where Paul has particular responsibility. Pray for his work as Ambassador for Schools across the diocese, and for our Joint Venture with the Church Urban Fund, Together Middlesbrough & Cleveland, which he chairs.  
**Diocese of Argyll and The Isles (Scotland). Bishop Kevin Pearson**

Friday 2nd February  
Presentation of Christ in the Temple  
**Middlesbrough Deanery**  
Area Dean: The Revd Dominic Black, Lay Dean: Kate Morris.  
Give thanks for fresh hope and energy in the deanery to move forward in mission together. Please pray for the development of new mission initiatives. Pray for the work of Together Middlesbrough and Cleveland supporting the flourishing of people and communities.  
**Diocese of Arizona (VIII, The Episcopal Church). Bishop Kirk Smith**

Saturday 3rd February  
Anskar, archbishop, missionary, 865  
**Christ Church, Eston; St George, Normanby.**  
Clergy: The Revd Julian Blakeley, Readers: Jason Robinson, Jane Robson, Dianne Colbert, Keith Allison, Stewart Schaller, Churchwardens: Margaret Hill, Steve Richardson, Jason Robinson  
We did LYCIG last Spring and are making progress in looking at the life of the Church as a whole, although the impact is mainly at St George's and there are signs of growth. Christ Church, however, remains in need of an influx of younger people and fresh vision. God is helping us build a good leadership team.  
**Diocese of Armidale (New South Wales, Australia). Bishop Richard Lewers**

Sunday 4th February  
2nd Sunday before Lent  
**St Hilda of Whitby, Grangetown**  
Clergy: The Revd Edward Matthias-Jones, The Revd Richard Brown  
We continue to pray for our witness to Christ in the community of Grangetown, and for growth.  
**Pray for the Anglican Church of Burundi. Archbishop Martin Nyaboho**

Monday 5th February  
**St Barnabas, Linthorpe**  
Clergy: The Revd Canon Erik Wilson, The Revd Tessa Stephens, The Revd Sam Tyndall, Retired  
Clergy: The Revd Ray Morris, Readers: John Ravalde, Ken Whiteway, Peter Rushton, Churchwardens: Alistair Bolton, Graeme Malyon  
Please pray for the church as it begins a vacancy and Revd Tessa Stephens leaves us next month to become vicar of St Mary's, Nunthorpe. Pray that the church will flourish during the vacancy and for those who will take on more responsibility and a greater workload. Pray for the process of discerning whom God is calling to be our new vicar as Erik Wilson retires on 13th February.  
**Diocese of Arochuku/Ohafia (Aba, Nigeria). Bishop Johnson Onuoha**

Tuesday 6th February  
Martyrs of Japan, 1597  
Accession of Queen Elizabeth II, 1952  
**St Cuthbert, Marton in Cleveland**  
Clergy: The Revd Andy Grant, The Revd Claire Todd, Readers: Sylvia Swan, Christine Pointer, Churchwardens: Alan Proudler, Graham Wilson  
We thank God for his generosity to us and for the many blessings we have received recently. Please pray that we may continue to remain faithful to God's vision for our parish centre as a place of increased Christian activity and worship, and as a continued resource for the local community. Please pray that our new contemporary service will be a way in for younger people to connect with the church and gather around the presence of Jesus in a more accessible and informal way.  
**Diocese of Aru (Congo). Bishop Georges Ande**

Wednesday 7th February  
**All Saints, Middlesbrough**  
Clergy: The Revd Glyn Holland  
Please pray for God's blessing on our welcome and hospitality as we seek to relate more openly and deeply with those in the town centre.  
**Diocese of Asaba (Bendel, Nigeria). Bishop Justus Mogeckwu**

Thursday 8th February  
**St Agnes, Middlesbrough**  
Clergy: The Revd Margery Grange, Churchwarden: Dennis Ford.  
St Agnes continues to be challenged by its leaky roof. Please pray for Dennis Ford, Churchwarden, ably assisted by Freda, his wife and PCC Secretary, as we continue to attempt to raise funds for repairs and other expenses. Pray also for Elaine Curry, giving thanks for all her hard work for the children of this disadvantaged estate, also for her helpers and all who work so very hard for God's kingdom on Easterside and beyond. Please pray also for the Lighthouse Church which provides food and worship in St Agnes for the homeless, addicted and those with other social problems.  
**Diocese of Asante-Mampong (Ghana, West Africa). Bishop Cyril Ben-Smith**

Friday 9th February  
**St Columba, St John the Evangelist, Middlesbrough**  
Clergy: The Revd Stephen Cooper, The Revd Paul Kronbergs, Churchwardens: David Wells, Carol Freary, Ken Pountney, Ellen Ferguson.  
*St Columba's:* Please give thanks for the faithful worshipping community at St Columba's and the ongoing work of the twice weekly drop-in centre (The Columba Project).  
*St John's:* Please pray for a wise and true discernment of God's purposes for us for the future – with regard to our congregation and the use of our building.  
**Diocese of Athabasca (Ruper's Land, Canada). Bishop Fraser Lawton**

Saturday 10th February  
Scholastica, abness, c.543  
**St Chad, St Oswald, Middlesbrough**  
Clergy: The Revd Sue Richardson, Readers: Kath Dean, Frank Hadfield, Church Warden's Angela Phillips, Micheal O'Boyle, Carol Hinton, Paul Phillips  
We give thanks to God for all we have seen him do in the last year, for those who have recently come to faith and have been Confirmed. Please pray for our continued LYCiG work, the 'Drop In' at St Chad's and the 'Lunch Club' at St Oswald's, the new Men's Keep Fit Group and the continuing Kids Clubs, along with all the other plans we have for 2018..  
**Diocese of Atlanta (IV, The Episcopal Church). Bishop Robert Wright**

Sunday 11th February  
Sunday next before Lent  
**The Ascension, Middlesbrough, The Transfiguration Pastoral Centre**  
Clergy: Vacancy, Reader: Paul Skelton  
Please pray for all in the Parish as we continue to mourn the untimely death of the Revd Canon David Hodgson. Please pray us as we prayerfully seek our next Incumbent. Give thanks and pray for all taking on extra responsibilities during this time.  
**Pray for The Anglican Church of Canada. Archbishop Frederick Hiltz**

Monday 12th February  
**St John the Evangelist, South Bank and St Thomas the Apostle, Brambles Farm**  
Clergy: The Revd Terry Leathley  
Give thanks to God for all those who work to spread God's Word and Love within these two challenging parishes. Giving thanks for the various outreach projects within the two communities, with a special thanks for the 'Given with God's love' project and the blessing that God has given to make this vision possible. Even after only five outings in the coffee van so many people have come to it, and even talked about their faith in God. And for that we give thanks to God.  
**Diocese of Attooch (Upper Nile, South Sudan). Bishop Moses Anur**

Tuesday 13th February  
**St Cuthbert, Ormesby**  
Clergy: The Revd Jennifer Croft, The Revd Tina Burgess, Reader: Janet Caldwell, RPA: Elizabeth Furnell, Churchwardens: Janet Danks, Mark Gatenby,  
We give thanks for the progress of the works to replace our church roof, and for keeping the church building safe. We give thanks for the 3 primary schools, 1 special needs school and a secondary school in our parish, and particularly give thanks for the deepening of our links with the schools. We particularly pray for the work of the Open the Book team, which is such a fruitful presence in our schools, and we give thanks for the growing number of lay volunteers  
We continue to pray for our outreach and mission, and give particular thanks to the Fresh Expressions initiatives, with the growing success of our Cafe Church, Grave Talk, Singing for the Brain and also the singing group and the ukulele group. We continue to praise God for all that is good in our parish of Ormesby and for our vision of "Building the Church : Building the Kingdom".  
**Diocese of Auckland (Aotearoa NZ and Polynesia). Bishop Ross Bay**

Wednesday 14th February  
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Wednesday  
**Holy Trinity, North Ormesby**  
Clergy: The Revd Dominic Black, Parish Sister: Sr Louisa OHP, Churchwardens: Bryan Campbell, Joan Holdaway, Youth & Children's team: Rachel Stark, Heather Insull, Anne Lennon.  
Please pray for a growth in discipleship, prayer and witness in the church; for meaningful work and the economic wellbeing of our community.  
**Diocese of Aweil (Bahr El Ghazal, South Sudan). Bishop Abraham Nhial**

Thursday 15th February  
Sigfrid, bishop, 1045  
Thomas Bray, priest, founder of SPCK and SPG, 1730  
**St Paul, North Thornaby**  
Clergy: The Revd Harry Hopkins, Churchwardens: Sandra Strachan, Keith Thompson.  
Please pray for the continued good relations between our Parish, St. Patrick's RC Church and Thornaby Mosque. We remember the men and women of the armed forces, especially those in war zones and for the people in Syria.  
**Diocese of Awgu/Aninri (Niger, Nigeria). Bishop Emmanuel Ugwu**

Friday 16th February  
**St Mark, South Thornaby, St Peter Ad Vincula**  
Clergy: The Revd Mark Catherall, Churchwardens: Maureen Williams, Jean Higgin.  
We give thanks to God our Father for all His many blessings in our daily lives. Please pray for our Churchwardens, Parish Officers, Fundraising & Social Committee Members, Sunday School Teachers and Helpers and their continued commitment in upholding the catholic tradition, witness and life of both S. Mark's and S. Peter's. Please pray for our Church Controlled Primary School its staff and pupils. For Father Mark and Jean Higgin having experienced the Walsingham LYCiG course and putting into practice any helpful ideas to enable positive parish growth.  
**Diocese of Awka (Niger, Nigeria). Bishop Alexander Ibezim**

Saturday 17th February  
Janani Luwum, archbishop, martyr, 1977  
**St Martin of Tours w St Cuthbert, Middlesbrough**  
Clergy: Revd David King. Churchwardens: Marion Chow, Chris Greenwood  
We continue to build on the beginnings of our LYCiG Local adventure. Please pray for the people of this community and our continuing to work with other local churches and other agencies. We have plans to extend and develop a joint youth work initiative and continue to offer our Drop-in Coffee venture. We will also put major effort in to the Baptism and Worship development groups.  
**Diocese of Badagry (Lagos, Nigeria). Bishop Joseph Adeyemi**

Sunday 18th February  
1st Sunday of Lent  
**St Mary West Acklam**  
Clergy: The Revd Norma Rao  
Please pray for having clear visions in mission, and courage and willingness in trying new ways of being church.  
**Pray for The Church of the Province of Central Africa. Archbishop Albert Chama**

Monday 19th February  
**St Timothy, Hemlington.**  
Clergy: The Revd Rob Desics, Churchwardens: Susan Blewitt, Christine Thompson  
We give thanks for our silver jubilee, and pray for our celebration events throughout 2018. We pray for Alban, Grace, Sarah, Lily, Annie and Ella who are being baptised and confirmed on St Timothy's Day by +Glyn. We pray for the work of our community cafe, our Foodbank, our Boys' Brigade Company, and our efforts to find the funding to do urgent repairs to our church roof. We pray that we might grow as a church and bring glory to God by serving our local community in the name of Christ.  
**Diocese of Ballarat (Victoria, Australia). Bishop Garry Weatherill**

Tuesday 20th February  
**Teesside University**  
Chaplain: The Revd Tessa Stephens  
Teesside University Chaplaincy aims to support students and staff through sharing faith, food and friendship. At the start of this new year we give thanks for all those who have supported our activities and for the developing relationships with local churches. Please pray for the work of the chaplaincy, that we would continue to raise awareness of our activities and reach the people who need us. Pray for those students who find themselves under pressure as they try to balance their studies with work and family responsibilities. Pray also for our international students that they would be able to feel at home in Middlesbrough.  
**Diocese of Bangor (Wales). Bishop Andrew John**

Should you have any queries regarding the Prayer Calendar please do not hesitate to contact the Reverend Richard Carew via email: [prayerdiary@archbishopofyork.org](mailto:prayerdiary@archbishopofyork.org) or phone: 01904 707021

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