



A Life of Prayer



A Diocesan Prayer Companion

January — April 2026

About This Prayer Companion

This Diocesan Prayer Companion has been thoughtfully prepared to support your prayers for the Diocese of Gloucester and its associated communities. The format has been updated from previous editions, with the decision not to name specific individuals. This adjustment serves several purposes: it enhances accuracy, eases the administrative work required to produce the booklet, and helps ensure the long-term sustainability of the project.

Additional Resources

If you require further information beyond what is provided here, the [Diocesan Directory](#) is available for reference.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer is also available for those seeking a wider context for prayer, and can be [found here](#).

Feedback

Your comments and feedback are welcome. If you wish to share suggestions or thoughts, please email: bishopsadmin@glosdioc.org.uk

Thursday, January 01, 2026

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Abbeydale LEP

School: All Saints' Academy, Cheltenham

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Office Staff

Friday, January 02, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Abenhall with Mitcheldean

School: Amberley Parochial School

Diocese and beyond: The Chancellor of the Diocese

Saturday, January 03, 2026

Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, First Bishop of Dornakal, 1945

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Ashchurch and Kemerton

School: Ampney Crucis C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Advisory Group
on the Ministry of Healing and Wholeness

Sunday, January 04, 2026

The Epiphany or Christmas 2

The Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Leadership – committed to transformation

- Pray for growing collaboration among clergy across parish boundaries, that shared ministry may bring support and companionship.
- Pray for those leading worshipping communities, that they may be inspired by the Spirit and filled with hope.
- Pray for the development of strong networks to support all in leadership, enabling the mission and ministry of our Diocese.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Ashleworth, Corse, Hartpury, Hasfield, Maisemore, Staunton and Tirley

School: Ann Cam C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Worship, Prayer and Spirituality Group

Monday, January 05, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Avening with Cherington

School: Ann Edwards C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Board of Education Team

Tuesday, January 06, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Badgeworth, Shurdington and Witcombe with Bentham

School: Ashleworth C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocese of Gloucester Academies Trust

Wednesday, January 07, 2026

The Baptism of Christ

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Barnwood

School: Aylburton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Visitors to Schools

Thursday, January 08, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Berkeley with Wick, Breadstone, Newport, Stone, Woodford and Hill

School: Barnwood C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Clergy Retirement Chaplains

Friday, January 09, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bishops Cleeve and Woolstone with Gotherington and Oxenton

School: Bibury C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Clergy Widows Officers

Saturday, January 10, 2026

William Laud, Dean of Gloucester, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bisley, Chalford, France Lynch and
Oakridge and Bussage with Eastcombe

School: Bisley Blue Coat C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Chair of the House of Laity of
the Diocesan Synod

Sunday, January 11, 2026

The Baptism of Christ

The Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the
Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your
adopted children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Imagination – opening new paths to faith

- Pray for renewed engagement with baptism families, that these early encounters may spark an amazing adventure with Jesus Christ.
- Pray for all who nurture under-5s and their families, both in our worshipping communities and across the wider community.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bourton-on-the-Water with Clapton and The Rissingtons

School: Blockley C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Finance Department

Monday, January 12, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Boxwell, Leighterton, Didmarton, Oldbury-on-the-Hill, Sopworth, Badminton with Little Badminton, Acton Turville, Hawkesbury, Westonbirt and Lasborough

School: Blue Coat C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Finance Committee

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bream

School: Bream C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Brimpsfield with Birdlip, Syde,
Daglingworth, The Duntisbournes, Winstone,
Miserden and Edgeworth

School: Brimscombe C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Audit Committee

Thursday, January 15, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Broadwell, Evenlode, Oddington,
Adlestrop and Westcote with Icomb and Bledington

School: Bromesberrow St Mary's C of E Primary
School

Diocese and beyond: The Ecumenical Officer

Friday, January 16, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Brockworth

School: Bussage C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Professional
Counselling Service

Saturday, January 17, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cam with Stinchcombe

School: Cam Hopton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Secretariat Department

Sunday, January 18, 2026

*The Second Sunday of Ephinay and Week of Prayer for
Christian Unity*

The Collect

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your
grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Faith – living as adventurous followers of Jesus Christ.

- Please pray that we will all be inspired to discover what it is to live out our faith every day.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charfield and Kingswood, Wickwar,
Rangeworthy and Hillesley

School: Christ Church C of E Primary, Cheltenham

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan
Communications Team

Monday, January 19, 2026

Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charlton Kings, Holy Apostles

School: Clearwater C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan HR and
Safeguarding Team

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charlton Kings, St Mary

School: Clearwell C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Resources Team

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Chedworth, Yanworth and Stowell, Coln Rogers and Coln St Denys

School: Coaley C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Church Buildings Team

Thursday, January 22, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham Holy Trinity and St Paul

School: Coberley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Property and Development Team

Friday, January 23, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, Christ Church

School: Cold Aston C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Children and Families Workers

Saturday, January 24, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, St Mary with St Matthew and St Luke

School: Cranham C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Parish Giving Scheme Staff

Sunday, January 25, 2026

The Conversion of Paul or The Third Sunday of Epiphany

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

- Engagement – living out Christ's love and hope.

Pray for initiatives that combat injustice, protect creation, and overcome exclusion and isolation, that all may flourish.

Pray for the use of sport, music, and art to build relationships and share the Christian faith.

Pray for creative ways of connecting with new housing developments, building communities of faith and friendship.

Pray for people and programmes that inspire young people to explore and grow in faith.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, St Michael

School: Deerhurst & Apperley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Department of Mission and Ministry

Monday, January 26, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Christ Church Forest of Dean with English Bicknor

School: Down Ampney C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Cuddesdon Gloucester and Hereford

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Churchdown

School: Dursley C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Sylvanus Lysons Trust

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cinderford with Littledean

School: English Bicknor C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Mothers' Union

Thursday, January 29, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: *Cirencester with Watermoor*

School: *Fairford C of E Primary School*

Diocese and beyond: *The Harnill Centre of Christian Healing*

Friday, January 30, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Coleford, Staunton, Newland, Redbrook
and Clearwell

School: Field Court C of E Infant Academy

Diocese and beyond: Viney Hill Christian Adventure
Centre

Saturday, January 31, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cromhall, Tortworth, Tytherington, Falfield
and Rockhampton

School: Hardwicke Parochial Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: Grace Network

Sunday, February 01, 2026

*The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany Presentation of Christ in the
Temple (Candlemas)*

The Collect

God our creator,
who in the beginning
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,

shine into the hearts of all your people,
and reveal the knowledge of your glory
in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

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Benefice: Deerhurst and Apperley with Forthampton
and Chaceley, Tredington, Stoke Orchard and
Hardwicke

School: Haresfield C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Archdeacons

Monday, February 02, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Drybrook, Lydbrook and Ruardean

School: Hartpury C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Archdeacons'staff

Tuesday, February 03, 2026

Blaise, Bishop of Sebastapol, c.316

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Dursley, Uley, Owlpen and Nympsfield

School: Hatherop C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishops' Chaplains

Wednesday, February 04, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Gloucester City and Hempsted

School: Hawkesbury C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Bishop

Thursday, February 05, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

- Benefice: Gloucester, Saint James and All Saints and Christ Church
- School: Hempsted C of E Primary School
- Diocese and beyond: Licensed Diocesan Officers

Friday, February 06, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Gloucester, St Barnabas

School: Highnam C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: Those in the vocations discernment process

Saturday, February 07, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Gloucester, St Catharine

School: Hillesley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Hon Assistant Bishops

Sunday, February 08, 2026

The Second Sunday Before Lent

The Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ
your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all
things,
now and for ever. Amen.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Gloucester, St George with Whaddon

School: Holy Apostles' C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: All Licenced Lay Workers

Monday, February 09, 2026

John Hooper, Bishop of Gloucester, 1555

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Gloucester, St Paul and St Stephen

School: Holy Trinity C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Licensed Public Preachers

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney

School: Hope Brook C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Suffragan Bishop

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Highnam, Tibberton with Rudford and
Taynton

School: Horsley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: All Canons of Gloucester
Cathedral

Thursday, February 12, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Hucclecote

School: Horton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Cathedral Staff

Friday, February 13, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Huntley and Longhope, Churcham and Bulley

School: Huntley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Dean of Gloucester Cathedral

Saturday, February 14, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Kemble, Poole Keynes, Somerford Keynes with Shorncote, Coates, Rodmarton and Sapperton with Frampton Mansell

School: Kempsford C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: GARAS

Sunday, February 15, 2026

The Sunday Next Before Lent

The Collect

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Faith – living as adventurous followers of Jesus Christ.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Longlevens

School: Kings Stanley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Prisoners and those in captivity

Monday, February 16, 2026

Sigfrid, Apostle of Sweden 1045

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Lower Cam with Coaley

School: Kingsholm C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan
Communications Team

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Lydney, Woolaston, Alvington and
Aylburton

School: Lakefield C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Parish Safeguarding Officers

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Ash Wednesday

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Matson

School: Leckhampton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Parish Treasurers and those
involved in finance

Thursday, February 19, 2026

The Reformation Martyrs of Gloucestershire

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: *Minchinhampton with Box and Amberley*

School: *Leonard Stanley C of E Primary School*

Diocese and beyond: *Diocesan Church Building Team*

Friday, February 20, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Moreton-in-Marsh with Batsford,
Todenham, Lower Lemington and Longborough
with Sezincote

School: Littledean C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Deanery Lay Chairs

Saturday, February 21, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Nailsworth with Shortwood, Horsley and
Newington Bagpath with Kingscote

School: Longborough C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Area Deans

Sunday, February 22, 2026

The First Sunday of Lent, Emma Dent of Winchcombe, 1900

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the
wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your
Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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developments, building communities of faith and
friendship.

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people to explore and grow in faith.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Newent and Gorsley with Clifford's Mesne

School: Longney C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Armed Services

Monday, February 23, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Newnham with Awre and Blakeney

School: Lydney C of E Community

Diocese and beyond: The Emergency Services

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: North Cheltenham Team Ministry

School: Meysey Hampton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Prisons and staff who work in them

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Northleach with Hampnett and Farmington, Cold Aston with Notgrove and Turkdean and Compton Abdale with Haselton

School: Minchinhampton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Bishop

Thursday, February 26, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Painswick, Sheepscombe, Cranham, The Edge, Pitchcombe, Harescombe and Brookthorpe (known as the 'Beacon Benefice')

School: Miserden C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Link Dioceses

Friday, February 27, 2026 mm

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Parkend and Viney Hill

School: Mitcheldean Endowed Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Office Staff

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Quedgeley

School: Nailsworth C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Chancellor of the Diocese

Sunday, March 01, 2026

*The Second Sunday of Lent, Oswald Bishop of Worcester,
992*

The Collect

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your
truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things that are contrary to their
profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

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Leadership – committed to transformation

- Pray for growing collaboration among clergy across parish boundaries, that shared ministry may bring support and companionship.
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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Quinton, Welford, Weston and Marston
Sicca

School: Newnham St Peter's C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Advisory Group
on the Ministry of Healing and Wholeness

Monday, March 02, 2026

Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Redmarley D'Abitot, Bromesberrow,
Pauntley, Upleadon, Oxenhall, Dymock, Donnington,
Kempley and Preston

School: North Cerney C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Worship, Prayer
and Spirituality Group

Tuesday, March 03, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Rodborough, Woodchester and
Brimscombe

School: North Nibley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Board of
Education Team

Wednesday, March 04, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Sevenhampton with Charlton Abbots,
Hawling and Whittington, Dowdeswell and
Andoversford with The Shiptons and Cold Salperton
and Withington

School: Northleach C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocese of Gloucester
Academies Trust

Thursday, March 05, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Sharpness, Purton, Brookend and
Slimbridge

School: Norton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Visitors to
Schools

Friday, March 06, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Sherborne, Windrush, Great Barrington
with Little Barrington and Aldsworth

School: Oak Hill C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Clergy Retirement
Chaplains

Saturday, March 07, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: South Cerney with Cerney Wick,
Siddington and Preston

School: Oakridge Parochial School

Diocese and beyond: The Clergy Widows Officers

Sunday, March 08, 2026

The Third Sunday of Lent

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he
suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: South Cheltenham Churches

School: Old Sodbury C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Chair of the House of Laity of
the Diocesan Synod

Monday, March 09, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: South Cotswolds Team Ministry

School: Oldbury on Severn C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Finance
Department

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: St Briavels with Hewelsfield and Brockweir

School: Pauntley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Finance Committee

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: St John the Evangelist, Churchdown and
Innsworth

School: The Pinnacle Schools Federation

Diocese and beyond: Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: St Oswald Coney Hill with St Aldate

School: Powell's C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Audit Committee

Friday, March 13, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Stow-on-the-Wold, Condicote and The Swells

School: Prestbury St Mary's C of E Junior School

Diocese and beyond: The Ecumenical Officer

Saturday, March 14, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Stroudwater Team

School: Prestbury St Mary's Federation

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Professional Counselling Service

Sunday, March 15, 2026

The Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)

The Collect

Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their offences,
that through your bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins
which by our frailty we have committed;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Tetbury, Beverston, Long Newnton and
Shipton Moyne

School: Primrose Hill C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Secretariat Department

Monday, March 16, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Tewkesbury with Walton Cardiff and Twyning

School: Randwick C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Communications Team

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Tewkesbury, Holy Trinity

School: Rangeworthy C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan HR and Safeguarding Team

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: The Churn Valley Benefice

School: Redbrook C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Resources Team

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: The Guitings, Cutsdean, Farmcote, Upper Slaughter and Lower Slaughter with Eyford and Naunton

School: Redmarley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Church Buildings Team

Friday, March 20, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: The Sodbury Vale Benefice

School: Ruardean C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Property and Development Team

Saturday, March 21, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: The Stroud Team Ministry

School: Sapperton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Children and Families Workers

Sunday, March 22, 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

The Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus
Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we
may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: The Winchcombe Team Ministry

School: Severn Federation of Schools

Diocese and beyond: The Parish Giving Scheme
Staff

Monday, March 23, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Thornbury and Oldbury-on-Severn with
Shepperdine

School: Sherborne C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Department of Mission
and Ministry

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Tidenham with Beachley and Lancut

School: Shurdington C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Cuddeson Gloucester and
Hereford

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

The Annunciation of Our Lord to The Blessed Virgin Mary

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Twigworth, Down Hatherley, Norton, The Leigh, Evington, Sandhurst and Staverton with Boddington

School: Siddington C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Sylvanus Lysons Trust

Thursday, March 26, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Tyndale Benefice

School: Southrop C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Mothers' Union

Friday, March 27, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Up Hatherley

School: St Andrew's C of E Primary School, Chedworth

Diocese and beyond: The Harnill Centre of Christian Healing

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Arthur Stanton, born and died at Paganhill, 1913

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Upton St Leonards

School: St Andrew's C of E Primary School, Cromhall

Diocese and beyond: Viney Hill Christian Adventure Centre

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and
humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Vale and Cotswold Edge

School: St Briavel's Parochial C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Grace Network

Monday, March 30, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: West Cheltenham

School: St David's C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: Archdeacons

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Westbury-on-Severn with Flaxley, Blaisdon and Minsterworth

School: St James & Ebrington C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Archdeacons'staff

Wednesday, April 01, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Abbeydale LEP

School: St James C of E Primary School, Cheltenham

Diocese and beyond: The Bishops' Chaplains

Thursday, April 02, 2026

Maundy Thursday

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Abenhall with Mitcheldean

School: St James' C of E Junior School, Gloucester

Diocese and beyond: Our Bishop

Friday, April 03, 2026

Good Friday

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Ashchurch and Kemerton

School: St John's C of E School, Coleford

Diocese and beyond: Licensed Diocesan Officers

Saturday, April 04, 2026

Easter Eve

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Ashleworth, Corse, Hartpury, Hasfield,
Maisemore, Staunton and Tirley

School: St John's C of E Primary School, Cheltenham

Diocese and beyond: Those in the vocations
discernment process

Sunday, April 05, 2026

Easter Day, Robert Raikes 1811

The Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity. Amen.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Imagination – opening new paths to faith

- Pray for renewed engagement with baptism families, that these early encounters may spark an amazing adventure with Jesus Christ.
- Pray for all who nurture under-5s and their families, both in our worshipping communities and across the wider community.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Avening with Cherington

School: St John's Mead C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Hon Assistant Bishops

Monday, April 06, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Badgeworth, Shurdington and Witcombe with Bentham

School: St Lawrence C of E Primary Academy,
Lechlade

Diocese and beyond: All Licenced Lay Workers

Tuesday, April 07, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Barnwood

School: St Mark's C of E Junior School

Diocese and beyond: Licensed Public Preachers

Wednesday, April 08, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Berkeley with Wick, Breadstone, Newport, Stone, Woodford and Hill

School: St Mary's C of E Infant School, Prestbury

Diocese and beyond: Our Suffragan Bishop

Thursday, April 09, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bishops Cleeve and Woolstone with Gotherington and Oxenton

School: St Mary's C of E Primary School, Tetbury

Diocese and beyond: All Canons of Gloucester Cathedral

Friday, April 10, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bisley, Chalford, France Lynch and Oakridge and Bussage with Eastcombe

School: St Mary's C of E Primary School, Thornbury

Diocese and beyond: Cathedral Staff

Saturday, April 11, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bourton-on-the-Water with Clapton and
The Rissingtons

School: St Matthew's C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Dean of Gloucester
Cathedral

Sunday, April 12, 2026

The Second Sunday After Easter

The Collect

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and
wickedness
that we may always serve you in pureness of living and
truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Faith – living as adventurous followers of Jesus Christ.

- Please pray that we will all be inspired to discover what it is to live out our faith every day.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Boxwell, Leighterton, Didmarton, Oldbury-on-the-Hill, Sopworth, Badminton with Little Badminton, Acton Turville, Hawkesbury, Westonbirt and Lasborough

School: St Paul's C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: GARAS

Monday, April 13, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Bream

School: Staunton and Corse C of E Primary

Diocese and beyond: Prisoners and those in captivity

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Brimpsfield with Birdlip, Syde, Daglingworth, The Duntisbournes, Winstone, Miserden and Edgeworth

School: Stone with Woodford C of E Primary Academy

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan
Communications Team

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Broadwell, Evenlode, Oddington,
Adlestrop and Westcote with Icomb and Bledington

School: Stratton C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Parish Safeguarding Officers

Thursday, April 16, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Brockworth

School: Swell C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Parish Treasurers and those
involved in finance

Friday, April 17, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cam with Stinchcombe

School: Temple Guiting C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Diocesan Church Building
Team

Saturday, April 18, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charfield and Kingswood, Wickwar,
Rangeworthy and Hillesley

School: Tewkesbury C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Deanery Lay Chairs

Sunday, April 19, 2026

*The Third Sunday of Easter, Alphage, Monk at Deerhurst and
Archbishopo of Canterbury, 1012*

The Collect

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen
life
and serve you continually in righteousness and tthrough
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Engagement – living out Christ's love and hope.

- Pray for initiatives that combat injustice, protect creation, and overcome exclusion and isolation, that all may flourish.
- Pray for the use of sport, music, and art to build relationships and share the Christian faith.
- Pray for creative ways of connecting with new housing developments, building communities of faith and friendship.
- Pray for people and programmes that inspire young people to explore and grow in faith.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charlton Kings, Holy Apostles

School: The Federation of Bisley Blue Coat C of E Primary School and Oakridge Parochial Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Area Deans

Monday, April 20, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Charlton Kings, St Mary

School: The North Cotswold Schools Federation

Diocese and beyond: The Armed Services

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Chedworth, Yanworth and Stowell, Coln Rogers and Coln St Denys

School: Trinity C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Emergency Services

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham Holy Trinity and St Paul

School: Tutshill C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Prisons and staff who work in them

Thursday, April 23, 2026

St. George

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, Christ Church

School: Uley C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Bishop

Friday, April 24, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, St Mary with St Matthew and St Luke

School: Upton St Leonards C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: Our Link Dioceses

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Mark the Evangelist

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cheltenham, St Michael

School: Watermoor C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Office Staff

Sunday, April 26, 2026

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we
may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Weekly Life Vision Prayer Focus

Leadership – committed to transformation

- Pray for growing collaboration among clergy across parish boundaries, that shared ministry may bring support and companionship.
- Pray for those leading worshipping communities, that they may be inspired by the Spirit and filled with hope.
- Pray for the development of strong networks to support all in leadership, enabling the mission and ministry of our Diocese.

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Christ Church Forest of Dean with English Bicknor

School: Westbury-on-Severn C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Chancellor of the Diocese

Monday, April 27, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Churchdown

School: Whiteshill Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Advisory Group on the Ministry of Healing and Wholeness

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cinderford with Littledean

School: Whitminster Endowed C of E Primary

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Worship, Prayer and Spirituality Group

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Catherine of Sienna

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cirencester with Watermoor

School: Willersey C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocesan Board of Education Team

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Pandita Mary Ramabai, 1922

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Coleford, Staunton, Newland, Redbrook and Clearwell

School: Winchcombe Abbey C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Diocese of Gloucester Academies Trust

Friday, May 01, 2026

Philip and James

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Cromhall, Tortworth, Tytherington, Falfield and Rockhampton

School: Withington C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Bishop's Visitors to Schools

Saturday, May 02, 2026

Athanasius, 373

Daily Prayer Focus

Benefice: Deerhurst and Apperley with Forthampton and Chaceley, Tredington, Stoke Orchard and Hardwicke

School: Woodchester Endowed C of E Primary School

Diocese and beyond: The Clergy Retirement Chaplains