

18th **Ascension Day.** Risen Lord, draw us to you. Drive away our fears with the good news of your resurrection and fill us with joy as we tell others; you live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

19th Lord Jesus thank you that you came to seek and save the lost. Help us always to have our doors and hearts open to anyone who is looking for You.

20th We pray and give thanks for John our Verger, the flower team and the choir and band members.

21st We pray for Stella Whitcombe leading the 9.30am Cafe Service. And Jonathan Burke leading and preaching at the 11am Service.

We lift up the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at 4pm, that it is well attended and is also a time of sharing and fellowship for the church.

22nd We pray for Teddies Toddlers Group meeting at the church Hall every Monday afternoon in term-time. Also the Beavers and Cubs.

23rd We pray for the Stepping Stones group who are walking from Shell Bay to Studland. For fellowship and a good Lunch at the Bank Arms.

24th We pray for the prayer meeting in church at 9.15; as they pray for our Church, the Communities we serve and the World.

25th We pray for the Lay Pastoral Assistants and Parish Support Group as they reach out to those in need.

26th Lord, you know every heart; show more church members which task you have chosen for them and give them a willing heart to volunteer.

27th We pray for Christian Aid whom we support in our Mission beyond the Parish.

28th **Pentecost Sunday.** God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength, now and always.

We pray for Dale at the 9.30 Service and Stewart Timbrell leading the 11 o'clock service.

29th We give thanks for all those volunteers who are willing to act as intercessors and reader.

30th We pray for a quicker world response with practical aid for the 10 million facing emergency and famine conditions in north-eastern Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan and the Yemen.

31st We pray for our flourishing Faith & Fellowship group as they meet today at 10.30am for tea, coffee and cake and spiritual chat.



All Saints' Church Branksome Park



May Prayer Diary 2023

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that as we believe your only
begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ
to have ascended into the heavens,
so we in heart and mind may also
ascend
and with him continually dwell;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

(Collect for Ascension Day)

1st We pray for the month to come; that all our activities will be guided by your life-giving and sustaining Holy Spirit.

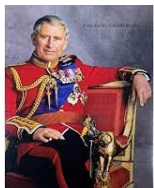
2nd We pray for all those who apply to our advert for a Priest in Charge at All Saints. And for those who are selected for interview.

3rd We pray and give thanks for our Sunday Worship at All Saints and for all who help to organise and conduct the Services.

4th We pray for our local elections in Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole. And that those elected to the Council will meet and engage in fruitful discussions.

5th We give thanks for all those who pray confidentially for urgent and private prayer requests, and we lift all current requests to you Lord for your blessing.

6th **CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III**



We pray for King Charles on his Coronation. May the wisdom of God, the love of Christ and the power of the Spirit guide him to govern with righteousness, that all may live in peace and harmony.

7th We pray for Dale leading Café Church and for more helpers. We pray for Paul Simester leading and preaching at the 11am.

We lift up to you our Bring & Share Lunch to celebrate the Coronation in the Church Hall. (All welcome, including families, friends and neighbours.)



8th Lord we lift up to you the Beautiful Gate in Lesotho, who reach out to orphaned, abandoned and neglected children, new-born to 5 years old. May the children be united with a forever family that will love them as their own.

9th Heavenly Father, you ask us to "remember those in prison"! We remember the many Chinese pastors and believers imprisoned for the Gospel. Strengthen them and their families. And for other groups in the prison camps. May all learn of You and find comfort.

10th We pray for our monthly Tea Party for the good food and good company and we give thanks for the faithful helpers over the years.

11th We pray for a replacement worship leader for Lloyd to lead the band for the 9.30 services and other events.

12th Lord, we pray for the sick; grant them comfort and fortitude and the knowledge that you are always with them.

13th Lord, thank you for the recent OFSTED inspection of the nursery school; your love shone through - "children feel very loved and secure". Please give strength and stamina to the staff to maintain this through the summer term.

14th We pray for the 8am Holy Communion BCP led by Stewart Timbrell and the 11am Morning Prayer CW led by Kate Edwards and Kay Morison preaching.

15th We pray for those in the office and the Monday staff meetings; for their invaluable administrative support for the Interregnum and preparations for APCM.

16th Lord, open our eyes to the people in our community who are isolated. We pray for our neighbours and from the Parish - those who live in Belgrave Road & Ormonde Road.

17th We pray for the War in Ukraine, also for Sudan and other conflicts in the world. We particularly pray for the ending of these conflicts and for all those who have lost loved ones in the conflicts.