Diocese of Armagh

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer 2022

(incorporating Anglican Cycle of Prayer)
Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.  (Ephesians 6:18)

Paul reminds the Christians in Ephesus to pray for all the Lord’s people, advice which is as relevant in today’s church as it was then. When we pray, use this cycle of prayer as a guide; remembering all those in each parish, and praying for God’s blessing and guidance for all. The church is much bigger than the clergy and readers named in each parish, and our prayers should reflect the effort and work of all those who minister in any way in our churches.

We welcome those who have joined us as clergy and readers, and wish God’s blessing to those who have retired or left for pastures new.

We have also included Holy Days on the Sunday on which they occur. Those that occur during the week are shown in brackets on the Sunday during which week they occur.

The prayers for the Anglican Communion are adapted from ‘The Anglican Cycle of Prayer 2022’. Due to the constant changes in posts held throughout the world-wide church, almost any publication can be out of date even before it is published. The posts held by individuals mentioned in this publication are correct as of published date.

Please accept my apologies for any errors or omissions. Your comments, suggestions, updates and prayers are welcomed as we seek to improve this important aspect of our Common Prayer. If your church is paired with other parishes/diocese, perhaps that could be included in our next edition so that we can properly support each other in prayer.

The rhythm of common prayer is core to our Anglican identity, and is a regular reminder of our inter-dependence as the Body of Christ, and of the primacy of love and unity. Through our prayers may we hold fast to God, one another, and the Anglican family of Churches world-wide.

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2nd JANUARY — THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
(The Epiphany - 6th January)

Archbishop John Mc Dowell

Saint Patrick’s Cathedral
Dean: Shane Forster
Cathedral Reader: Florence Hoey

Chapter and Staff of the Cathedral

The Anglican Communion
Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

9th JANUARY — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Archbishop John McDowell

Acton, Drumbanagher and Loughgilly
Rector: Graham Spence
Parish Reader: Kenneth Morton

PRAY for those who serve on Select Vestries and those who work for the local parish and community.

The Anglican Communion
Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

16th JANUARY — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Archbishop John McDowell

Annaghmore
Rector: Dorothy McVeigh
Diocesan Reader: David Parker

The Anglican Communion
The Church of England
23rd JANUARY — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
(25th January - Conversion of Saint Paul)

Archbishop John McDowell

Ardtrea and Desertcreat
Rector: David Bell

Young people, Sunday School Teachers, Young people’s organisations, Youth Ministers, the Armagh Youth and Children’s Board, Development Officer Youth and Children’s Ministry: David Brown.

The Anglican Communion
Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

30th January — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
(1st Feb – Saint Brigid)
(2nd Feb – Presentation of Christ in the Temple, Candlemas)

Archbishop John McDowell

Armagh, St Mark’s
Rector: Malcolm Kingston
Curate: Sarah Parkinson
Diocesan Reader: Paul Turton
Parish Readers: Barbara Campbell, Adele Geddis, Barbara Wilson

Diocese of Cashel, Waterford, Lismore and Ossary and the Bishop Michael Burrows

The Anglican Communion
The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
6th FEBRUARY — FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballinderry, Tamlaght and Ardboe
Rector: Barry Paine

The Diocesan Council, Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Boards and Committees

The Anglican Communion
The Church of Ireland

13th FEBRUARY – THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Ballymore
Rector: vacant
Diocesan Reader: Tom Gorringe
Parish Readers: Walter Evans, Graham Patterson

Clare
Rector: Vacant
Parish Reader: Samuel Lockhart

PRAY for those who serve on Select Vestries and those who work for the local parish and community.

The Anglican Communion
The Nippon Sei Ko Kai
20th FEBRUARY — SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Brackaville, Donaghendry and Ballyclog
Rector: Vacant
Diocesan Reader: Florence Gallagher

Young people, Sunday School Teachers, Young people’s organisations, Youth Ministers, the Armagh Youth and Children’s Board, Development Officer Youth and Children’s Ministry: David Brown.

The Anglican Communion
The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

27th FEBRUARY – SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Camlough, Mullaglass and Ballymoyer Union
Rector: Alan Synnott
Diocesan Readers: Jill Hunter, David Hawthorne
Parish Readers: Anne Synnott, Mervyn Briggs

Diocese of Clogher and Bishop Ian Ellis

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of Kenya

2nd MARCH — Ash Wednesday

Prayer for Ash Wednesday

ACCEPT our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done:
for our blindness to human need and our indifference to injustice and cruelty.

Almighty and Everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
6th MARCH — FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Carnteel and Crilly
Rector: Glenn West
Parish Reader: Gary Lee

The Diocesan Council, Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Boards and Committees

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of Korea

13th MARCH — SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
(17th March – St Patrick) (19th March – St Joseph of Nazareth)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clogherny, Drumnakilly and Seskinore
NSM: Amelia McWilliams
Diocesan Reader: Sarah Cathers
Parish Reader: Hazel Giboney

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of Melanesia

20th MARCH — THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
(25th March – The Annunciation of our Lord)

Archbishop John McDowell

Clonfeacle, Derrygortreavy and Eglish
Rector: Suzanne Cousins
Parish Readers: Molly Batchelor, Alistair Mather, Emma Chambers

PRAY for those who serve on Select Vestries and those who work for the local parish and community.

The Anglican Communion
La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
27th MARCH — FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Derryloran
Rector: Norman Porteus
Curate: Drew Dawson
Parish Readers: Canon Wilfred Young, Raymond Bradford, Ron Griffin

The Anglican Communion
The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

3rd APRIL — FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Archbishop John McDowell

Desertlyn and Ballyeglish
Rector: Adrian Stringer

Diocese of Connor and Bishop George Davison

Clergy, Clergy spouses, Clergy families
Retired clergy, Clergy widows and widowers

The Anglican Communion
The Church of Nigeria

10th APRIL — SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT – PALM SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Donaghmore and Donaghmore Upper
Rector: Peter Thompson
Diocesan Reader: James Shiels
Parish Readers: Christine Kelly, Anne Kelly, Alan Williamson, Glen Ferry

The Diocesan Council, Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Boards and Committees

The Anglican Communion
The Church of North India (United)
14th APRIL — MAUNDY THURSDAY

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound; when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Anglican Communion
The Diocese of Kurunegala – Extra Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury
(The Church of Ceylon)

15th APRIL — GOOD FRIDAY

For me, kind Jesus, was thy incarnation, thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation; Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion, for my salvation. Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee, I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee, think on thy pity and thy love unswerving, not my deserving. (J Heerman)

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly serve the through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Anglican Communion
The Diocese of Kushtia – The (united) Church of Bangladesh
17th APRIL — EASTER DAY - THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

A prayer for that Easter Hope
We worship you, our living, conquering Lord, because by your death you have broken the power of death and by your glorious resurrection you have brought life and immortality to light. As those who partake of your victory we pray that we may continually rejoice in this hope, and live on earth as those whose citizenship is in heaven, where you reign in the glory of the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen

The Anglican Communion
The Church of Pakistan (United)
Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem

24th APRIL — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(25th April - Saint Mark the Evangelist)

Archbishop John McDowell

Drogheda Union; Ardee Union and Kilsaran Union
Rector: Iain Jamieson
NSM: Joyce Moore
OLM: David Murphy
Diocesan Reader: Brian Bellew
Parish Reader: Victor Whyte

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
1st MAY — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
(2nd May – Saint Philip and Saint James, Apostles - transferred)

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumcree
Rector: Gary Galway
Diocesan Readers: Shirley Nelson, Edwin McCambley, Valerie Newell,

Young people, Sunday School Teachers, Young people’s organisations,
Youth Ministers, the Armagh Youth and Children’s Board
Development Officer Youth and Children’s Ministry: David Brown.

The Anglican Communion
The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

8th MAY — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
(14th May — St Matthias)

Archbishop John McDowell

Drumglass
Rector: Bryan Martin
Curate: Matthew Topley

Diocesan Reader: Roy Palmer

The Diocesan Council, Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Boards and Committees

Diocese of Cork, Cloyne and Ross and Bishop Paul Colton

The Anglican Communion
Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
15th MAY — FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Archbishop John McDowell

Dundalk; Heynestown Union; Ballymascanlon Union; Creggan and Rathcor
Rector: Vacant
NSM: Richard Moore
Parish Reader: Rita Arthur

The Anglican Communion
The Scottish Episcopal Church

22nd MAY – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - ROGATION SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell

Errigle Keerogue, Ballygawley and Killeshill
Rector: Naomi Quinn
Parish Reader: Stephen McKeown

The Anglican Communion
Church of the Province of South East Asia

26th MAY — ASCENSION DAY

A hymn of glory let us sing new songs throughout the world shall ring Christ, by a road before untrod ascendeth to the throne of God. Alleluia

The Anglican Communion
The Diocese of Louisiana – The Episcopal Church (IV (4) Province)
29th MAY – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – SUNDAY AFTER
ASCENSION DAY
(31st May – The Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary)

Archbishop John McDowell
Keady, Armaghbreague, Derrynoose and Newtownhamilton
Rector: David Moses
Diocesan Reader: Wayne Hawthorne

The Anglican Communion
Anglican Communion Sunday
The Church of South India (United)

5th JUNE — THE DAY OF PENTECOST – WHIT SUNDAY
(9th June – Saint Columba) (11th June – Saint Barnabas)

Archbishop John McDowell
Kildress and Altedesert
Rector: Diane Matchett

The Diocesan Council, Diocesan Synod, Diocesan Boards and Committees

Diocese of Derry and Raphoe and Bishop Andrew Forster

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

12th JUNE — TRINITY SUNDAY

Archbishop John McDowell
Killylea, Caledon and Brantry
Rector: Bill Atkins

PRAY for those who serve on Select Vestries and those who work for the local parish and community.

The Anglican Communion
The Anglican Church of South America
19th JUNE — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
(24th June - Birth of John the Baptist)

Archbishop John McDowell

Killyman
Rector: Vacant

Young people, Sunday School Teachers, Young people’s organisations, Youth Ministers, the Armagh Youth and Children’s Board, Development Officer Youth and Children’s Ministry: David Brown

The Anglican Communion
Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

26th JUNE — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
(29th June – Saint Peter)

Archbishop John McDowell

Kilmore and Dobbin
Rector: Carlton Baxter
Diocesan Reader: Martin Clayton
Parish Readers: John Crealey, Emma Marshall, Sheelagh Winter

Clergy, Clergy spouses, Clergy families
Retired clergy, Clergy widows and widowers

The Anglican Communion
Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan