

Prayer Diary

Please use this as a prayer resource to pray for our community and the wider world. There is a prayer suggestion for each day starting on the 1st day of each month, and a prayer that we can use at different times of the day. Some of this links in with the Neighbourhood Prayer Network that many of us are involved in. Some of the prayer ideas link into the roads we are praying for, and others do not but are issues more broadly. Please pray for the churchwardens and ministry team as often as you can. It is very much appreciated.

A Prayer to start the day

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
Let us pray with one heart and mind.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
So may the light of your presence, O God,
Set our hearts on fire with love for you;
Now and for ever. Amen.

A Prayer to end the day

Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That you, with steadfast love, would keep
Your watch around us while we sleep. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

1 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the golf courses and other outdoor spaces that people enjoy for leisure. We pray that they can be used and enjoyed by people for rest and relaxation. • We pray for the residents of St Christopher's Way, Edith Close and Regency Close in Burnham-on-Sea.
2 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for those who feel isolated from others, either because they cannot connect to people via technology, or because they do not really know anyone. We pray that they may be able to find companionship and support. • We pray for the residents of South Road in Brean.
3 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who make decisions on behalf of us all. We pray for our government, and particularly our local MP James Heapey. We pray for the leaders of the church nationally, including our Archbishops Justin Welby and Stephen Cottrell, and for our Bishops Michael Beasley and Ruth Worsley and the diocesan staff. May they make good and wise decisions in all they do. • We pray for the residents of The Orchids, Watson Close and Patricia Close in Burnham-on-Sea.
4 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the congregation at St Bridget's, and the relationship they share with Brean Methodist Church, as well as with St Mary's. We pray for opportunities to work together for the Kingdom of God in Brean. • We pray for the residents of Church Road in Brean.
5 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the businesses found along Berrow Road, and for all those they serve. We pray particularly for those that had to close temporarily, that they will be able to reopen soon and continue their work. • We pray for the residents of Berrow Road in Burnham-on-Sea and Berrow.
6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those facing tensions at home and for couples facing or going through separation or divorce. We pray for any children who are caught up in family tensions, and ask for God's grace and mercy to be at work in each of these situations and for all those involved. • We pray for the residents of Hill View, Knoll Park and Brean Court in Brean.
7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all single parent families coping with pressures of maintaining family life especially during these challenging times. • We pray for the residents of Golf Links Road, Saxondale Avenue, Links Close and Links Gardens in Burnham-on-Sea.
8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who are struggling to make ends meet financially. We pray for self-employed workers unsure of their future for those on zero hours contracts, and those living on benefits or receiving other financial assistance. • We pray for the residents of Grass Road and St Bridget's Close in Brean.
9 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for those facing the possibility of losing their home and for those already living in a hostel or for some seeking shelter somewhere on the streets. We pray for God's safety and protection for them. • We pray for the residents of Naish Road, Oak Tree Place, Blytheway and Newton Way in Burnham-on-Sea.

10 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for Brean Parish Council and for all those who serve on it at this time. We pray that they may make the best possible decisions for the community they represent. We pray also for those who use the Village Hall as part of the groups and organisations that meet there, including the Brean Community Hub. • We pray for the residents of Weston Road in Brean.
11 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who are grieving the loss of someone who has died. We pray for those who tend and care for them like our local funeral directors and those who look after the churchyards and cemeteries here so that they can be places of comfort. We pray also for those who minister to them and provide pastoral care in the times that follow bereavement, including our team of Lay Pastoral Assistants. • We pray for the residents of Ash Tree Road, Ash Tree Place, Ash Tree Close and Ash Tree Crescent in Burnham-on-Sea.
12 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for those who enjoy exercise here whether on foot, on bikes, at the gyms or swimming pools. We pray that each one of us will take care of ourselves physically, and do all that we can do to stay safe as we exercise. • We pray for the residents of Warren Road in Brean.
13 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for those who work at Berrow Medical Centre, and for all those who will use their services. We pray for protection from illness for the staff there, and give thanks for all that they do to serve the local and wider community. • We pray for the residents of Brent Road and Martins Close in Berrow.
14 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We continue to pray today for our medical services locally. For our NHS workers as they continue to put themselves at risk for the care of others. For police officers, PCSOs, and all other staff who work with and support them. For fire fighters and their safety. • We pray for the residents of Rector's Close and Wesley Close in Brean.
15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for safety and for fun for all those who use the green, the play area, and the footpath by the pond in Berrow. • We pray for the residents of Fairway Close and Berrow Green in Berrow.
16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who provide essential services to our local area. For those who collect our rubbish and recycling, for those who support our water supplies and maintain our roads, for those who provide us with telephone and internet services. We pray that all of these will be stable and reliable for all who rely upon them. • We pray for the residents of Pinewood Way and Huett Close in Brean.
17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for protection for our church buildings both here and further afield. For many they have been beacons of hope and community, and we pray they can continue to be this for people. We pray also for those who have found faith during these uncertain times. • We pray for the residents of Sandhills Drive and Roseneath Avenue in Berrow.
18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who enjoy the rest and beauty of coming here for a holiday. We pray for all those working in the hospitality and holiday industries as they get used to working in new ways since reopening. We pray also for the emergency services who keep our beaches safe places to be for all. • We pray for the residents of Brean Down Road in Brean.

19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for Berrow School and Pre-school. We pray for all of the staff who are providing care and education for our children. We also pray for the families at the school and pre-school, and for all those who go in to help with collective worship, Open the Book and Little Fishers. • We pray for our work with children and young people, for all those who attend Little Seedlings, Fun Club and Some Thing, our special events and for all those who help to run these important activities and groups. • We pray for the residents of Rosetree Paddock, Berrow Gardens and Rugosa Drive in Berrow.
20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the beach clean teams who work to keep the beaches in Berrow and Brean clear of rubbish that washes up on the beach. • We pray for the residents of Coast Road and Shrubbery Close in Brean.
21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who are struggling with their mental health. Many of these may be longer term and ongoing, but the pressures of isolation may be triggering all sorts of issues in people. We pray that God will be with them and help them, and also ask God to bring to mind people that we may know and could reach out to as a support to them. • We pray for the residents of Barton Close and Barton Road in Berrow.
22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the residents of the care homes in our parishes. We pray for all those who work to provide care, concern and dignity for those who need it most. We pray also for the residents, for comfort and protection for those who feel afraid or alone. • We pray for the residents of Church House Road, Penmoor Road, Penmoor Place and Little Pen in Berrow.
23 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for Kim Wilcox, our Village Agent, and for the amazing work she does in the community. Thank God that we can work alongside her and support her in that work when it is appropriate. We pray for all those who access the services that she is able to provide, and ask for safety and protection for her as she is out and about in the community. • We pray for the residents of Julians Acres, Brooke Road and Monkstone Drive in Berrow.
24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for Berrow Parish Council and for all those who serve on it at this time. We pray that they may make the best possible decisions for the community they represent. We pray also for those who use the Village Hall as part of the groups and organisations, including Berrow Community Hub. • We pray for the residents of Parsonage Road, Pinnockscroft, and Claremont Park in Berrow.
25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the congregation at St Mary's, and the relationship they share with St Bridget's. We pray for opportunities to work together for the Kingdom of God in Berrow. • We pray today for our Lay Worship Assistants who help lead worship at St Mary's. • We pray for the residents of Coast Road, Little Court and Flowers Bloom Close in Berrow.
26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who have been baptised in our churches. We pray for their parents and godparents as they work to teach them the faith, and pray for our role as churches in supporting them. May they grow in the knowledge that they are loved by God, and that they have a place in his family. • We pray for the residents of Manor Way, Manor Drive, Manor Close and New Manor Court in Berrow.

27 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for the local farming community. We give God thanks for all those who farm our lands and provide crops and food. We pray that farms would be places of safety for all who work them. • We pray for the residents of Red Road and Hurn Lane in Berrow.
28 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for those who have been married here. We ask God's blessing and protection upon their marriages. We also pray for those whose weddings could not take place this year and have had to be delayed. We pray for God's peace for them. • We pray for the residents of Wick Road and Ham Road in Brea.
29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for God's blessing upon all of the streets and roads on which we live. We pray for all who feel lonely or isolated, that they would find a sense of community, friendship and love with those they live amongst. We pray for protection from crime in our homes and streets, and for peace for all those on our streets and roads.
30 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for all those who travel into, out of, or within our communities for work, social or other purposes. We pray that people would treat the roads with respect, and that people will be safe from harm as they travel.
31 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We pray today for ourselves as we seek to be God's people living and telling the story of Christ in our own lives. We pray that we each may know that we are sometimes the answer that God has to our prayers.