

Lichfield Diocese Prayer Diary: Issue 269

We pray for the implementation of our diocesan strategy 'Seeking the Kingdom', within the context of the varied roles and ministries across the Diocese. As 'People of Hope,' we remember those impacted by natural disasters; those in Ukraine suffering grievously and we pray for the people & leaders of Russia; and for a lasting peace for the people of Palestine, Israel and the wider Middle East. We also pray for Pope Leo XIV as he takes on his role.

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Sunday 15th June: *(Evelyn Underhill, Spiritual Writer, 1941)*

On Trinity Sunday we thank you for the mystery of the Trinity, and that in all of our walk with you there may not always be easy answers, but always more things to explore and learn.

So too we lift before you all of our churches dedicated to the Holy Trinity, those in Anslow, Belle Vue, Berkswich, Bicton, Buildwas, Calverhall, Chesterton, Dawley, Eccleshall, Edingale, Ettingshall, Hadley, Hartshill, Heath Town, Leaton, Meir, Meole Brace, Northwood, Oakamoor, Oakengates, Oswestry, Short Heath, Sneyd, Uffington, Uppington, West Bromwich, Weston Lullingfield, Wilnecote, and Wrockwardine Wood; for all the people and places they represent and serve.

Monday 16th: *(Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253. Joseph Butler, Bishop of Durham, Philosopher, 1752)*

We lift before you this evening's [Archdeacon's Visitation](#) at St Mary's Market Drayton for both Hodnet, and Wem and Whitchurch Deaneries. We pray for their new Archdeacon Nick, his associates Jo and Mary, and thank you for all those committed individuals attending, that they may leave encouraged and inspired to step forward in their faithful service.

Tuesday 17th: *(Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, Social Reformers, 1913 and 1936)*

We pray for a variety of different events taking place today;

- For the [Midsummer Retreat Day](#) at St Chad's House with Charlotte and Philip Swan
- For the [Churchwarden Cafe](#) in Barlaston exploring Volunteerism, especially for Churchwardens
- For tonight's [Visitation](#) at Denstone College for Tutbury and Uttoxeter Deaneries
- For the start of a 2-day residential for West Midlands Clergy at Stratford Manor for those keen to [develop their leadership in changing situations](#)

Lord, we lift before you all those leading these various gatherings, and pray that all those attending may leave informed and inspired.

Wednesday 18th: *(Bernard Mizeki, Apostle of the MaShona, Martyr, 1896)*

We pray for two more [Archdeacon's Visitations](#) taking place today, at St Peter's School in Bratton for Shrewsbury and Wrekin Deanery, and at Holy Trinity Eccleshall for the Deaneries of Eccleshall, Stafford and Stone. We lift before you those leading them, for Nick, Jo, and Mary in Bratton; and for Megan and Terry in Eccleshall, please grant them with wisdom and inspiration. Please let these be joyous visits indeed.

Thursday 19th: *(Sundar Singh of India, Sadhu (holy man), Evangelist, Teacher of the Faith, 1929)*

Today we pray for the Education Team's training day at the Lighthouse Centre on [Developing Subject Knowledge and Understanding of 'Non-Religious' Worldviews and Global Christianity](#), for greater understanding and inspiration for all those taking part.

So too, we pray for this evening's online lecture from Dr Dave Allen on the subject of ['Faith and Hebrews'](#), that it may indeed help people explore the outworking of their faith within their ministry and daily lives.

Friday 20th:

We continue our prayers for Oswestry Deanery with lifting before you those churches to the north of the deanery; we pray for All Saints Gobowen and St Mary's Selattyn, and their vicar Steve Nicholson; and so too we pray for St John's Weston Rhyn and St Martin's (in St Martins!), and their vicar Stuart Jermy. Please bless these churches and the communities they serve.

Saturday 21st:

Lord, we continue to pray for Oswestry Deanery, and for the chapel in the extra-parochial area of Pradoc. We pray for the churches in the neighbouring villages; St Chad's Haughton, St Giles' Whittington, and St Michael's West Felton. With these churches in Vacancy, we pray that the right leader may soon be appointed to serve and lead.