

December Prayer Diary 2017

Friday 1st December

World AIDS/ HIV Day: Pray for those affected by AIDS and HIV and that there may be universal access to anti retro viral drugs.

Saturday 2nd December

Pray for the Rohingya people both those still in Myanmar and those in refugee camps

Sunday 3rd December: Advent Sunday

Pray that we remember in our lives, the hope, the joy and the waiting of this time of Advent.

Monday 4th December

Pray for religious toleration thinking especially of the situation in Pakistan and in Egypt. Pray that religious beliefs do not lead to terrorism.

Tuesday 5th December

Pray for our priest Roger. Pray that God may support him in his ministry.

Wednesday 6th December

Pray for our Church Wardens, Patricia and Nigel and give thanks to God for their work.

Thursday 7th December

Pray for Readers in the Diocese, for the Warden of Readers: Bishop David Hamid, for the Senior Tutor: Elaine Labourel

Friday 8th December: Conception of the Virgin Mary

Pray for the development of Anglican and Catholic relations here in the Hérault.

Saturday 9th December

Pray for those who need the help from Restos du Coeur and who are trying to celebrate Christmas on a tight budget.

Sunday 10th December: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Pray for all those taking part in the Carol Service at Fontès this afternoon, for the organisers, the musicians, the leaders and the congregation. Pray that they may encounter God in the service.

Monday 11th December

Pray for all prisoners of conscience and for the work of Amnesty International

Tuesday 12th December

Pray for the homeless everywhere that they may find shelter and support, especially as the cold weather begins.

Wednesday 13th December: Santa Lucia (see article)

Pray for those meeting today at St Joseph's for the Prayer Group at Mont Rouge.

Thursday 14th December: St John of the Cross

Pray for all those who are called to the ministry of priesthood.

Friday 15th December

Grant us, Lord, at this time of preparation, and amidst all the bustle of everyday life, to know that You are with us, every step of the way.

Saturday 16th December

Pray for those who teach in Third World Countries, especially those who bring education to women and girls.

Sunday 17th December: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Pray for those situations where we struggle to see hope and grant us the wisdom to know when we ourselves can be part of a hopeful solution.

Monday 18th December

Pray for all those who receive help from Restos du Coeur and from Secours Populaire for all those who work for these organisations.

Tuesday 19th December

Pray for all those who will spend Christmas in hospital and for all those who have to work over Christmas.

Wednesday 20th December

Pray for all those who are facing Christmas alone, especially those for whom this is their first Christmas on their own.

Thursday 21st December

Pray for all those who organise or take part in carol services and Christingle services, especially for the clergy.

Friday 22nd December

Pray for those who are travelling to be with their family or friends this Christmas.

Saturday 23rd December

That our hearts may always be open to the joy and wonder of God's mighty works.

Sunday 24th December 4th Sunday of Advent

As we meet on Christmas Eve for Holy Communion at St Pargoire, pray that our congregation may grow in love of Christ and that our hearts may be stirred to work in His service.

Monday 25th December: Christmas Day

As we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, may we also rejoice in the love of our families and friends.

Tuesday 26th December: Stephen, deacon, martyr

The Church's solidarity with those who are persecuted. Pray especially for those Christians who are persecuted for the beliefs wherever they may be.

Wednesday 27th December: John Apostle and Evangelist

Just as Jesus entrusted His mother, Mary, to St John's care, pray that we may always care for others.

Thursday 28th December: Holy Innocents

Pray for children in danger everywhere, especially children who are in refugee camps or in danger because of war.

Friday 29th December

Pray for those Christians who are persecuted for their faith

Saturday 30th December

As we face a new year with hopes, expectations and much uncertainty may we put our trust in God to be with us at all times.

Sunday 31st December

On the day commemorating John Wycliffe, give thanks for our Bible in English and for all who strive to bring the Bible to people in their own language.

(See article on the website about John Wycliffe)