

Prayer Diary 2019

Listen, Observe, Act in step with God

Lord of the Church,
set our hearts on fire with love for you
throughout this Mission Community.
Claim our worship and wealth,
our abilities and our time,
that we may be worthy stewards
of all that you have given.
Save us from complacency and fear of new ways;
inspire us with your vision;
make us a powerhouse of prayer,
a community of loving service
and a faithful witness to your kingdom,
as we grow daily in and through
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



pray



grow



serve with joy

share the vision

Mothers Union Prayer Diary to support all connected to Haldon Mission Community

This diary is worked on a 13 week cycle [3 months], giving the date of each Sunday – from 6 January 2019 through to the week commencing 29 December 2019 –

Incorporating the five objectives of the Mothers Union the information within the Prayer Diary has tried to include all groups of people living within the boundary of this Christian mission community.

'More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of'

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

The power of prayer should never be underestimated, and by using this diary alongside whatever you currently use to help with your prayers of thanks and intercessions – we will be ensuring that all within these parishes – are prayed for on a regular basis.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5: 18

WEEK 1:

Weeks commencing:

06/01/2019; 07/04/2019; 07/07/2019; 06/10/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

**For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with
East Teignmouth St Michael**

For the members of the Clergy ministry team and their respective families

For the people who attend the services held throughout the week

For our Sovereign and members of the Royal Family



*The Mothers Union **vision** is of a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful, and flourishing relationships*

For members of the local communities, and for the diverse variety of venues that provide opportunities for social contact to cater for all ages through social interaction, sport, entertainment

for our places of Christian worship – buildings that have each been placed to serve their communities – across the centuries

WEEK 2:

Weeks commencing:

13/01/2019; 14/04/2019; 14/07/2019; 13/10/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with West Teignmouth St James**

For the churchwardens, and the responsibilities that come with this office

For those who assist at services and all who offer a warm welcome

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and members of General Synod



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Our local and borough councillors; our Member of Parliament;

for Homeless in Teignbridge Support [HITS] Food Banks etc.

and all connected with the local hospital and doctors' surgeries

For our links with the Alice Cross Centre and their contribution to the community

For all involved in raising funds for Christian Aid; and other charities that benefit from offerings received throughout the year from the respective parishes

WEEK 3:

Weeks commencing:

20/01/2019; 21/04/2019; 21/07/2019; 20/10/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Bishopsteignton**

For the welcome offered to tourists / visitors by volunteers

For those unable to attend services but would like to share in Christian fellowship

For those responding to enquiries with regard to Baptism and Marriage in church



*Mothers Union members pray for, promote and support **families** and married life*

For those who visit our historic places of worship,

that they may encounter the power and presence of the Living Lord;

and departing – take away the love, joy and peace of the Risen Christ

through the prayers offered in these sacred places and spaces

For those who contribute to call to worship by the Bell Ringing Teams

on Sundays and Feast Days; and for the Estuary Bells group and their skills

as they perform at events hosted locally and across the diocese

WEEK 4:

Weeks commencing:

27/01/2019; 28/04/2019; 28/07/2019; 27/10/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Ideford

For those preparing for confirmation, participating in diocesan courses and training for ministry, and implementation of Safeguarding policies at parish level



*Mothers Union members pray for and encourage **parents** in their role to develop the faith of their children*

For local businesses and for the wellbeing of others in our respective communities
Within the Diocesan Vision – to pray for vocations to Christian ministry:

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ.

Ephesians 4: 11–12

WEEK 5:

Weeks commencing:

03/02/2019; 05/05/2019; 04/08/2019; 03/11/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Luton

For the Parochial Church Councils, Deanery & Diocesan Synod representatives
The links with other Christian groups in the area,

meeting together for prayer, support and organising events jointly
to promote moral, social and economic justice for all



*Mothers Union members pray for and maintain a worldwide **fellowship** of Christians united in prayer, worship and service*

For those in our communities suffering from mental and physical disabilities; the social networks that contribute to improving their quality of life; for the work of the social services, police and emergency services

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

1 Peter 1: 3

WEEK 6: Weeks commencing:

10/02/2019; 12/05/2019; 11/08/2019; 10/11/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Ashcombe

For the organists and all who contribute to the music offered as part of our worship to the Living God through the Risen Christ by the Choirs; members of the Servers' Guild; for those involved in the 'Friday Club' and our links with local schools
Opening new paths to faith through Bible Study fellowships, the Julian Prayer Group and the plans towards the trip to the Holy Land next Spring



*Mothers Union members pray for and promote conditions in society favourable to **stable family life** and the **protection** of children*

For the contribution by Mothers' Union to the Church & Community Projects including 'Growing the Rural Church' here in Devon
Praying God's blessing on Mothers' Union values which determine how we work: being non-judgmental, loving and compassionate, persevering and bold

WEEK 7: Weeks commencing:

17/02/2019; 19/05/2019; 18/08/2019; 17/11/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

**For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with
East Teignmouth St Michael**

For the work of the PCC Treasurers' and the 'Giving for Life' scheme.
For the work of Mothers Union through action & outreach in the diocese



*Mothers Union members pray for and help those whose family life has met with **adversity***

For the lonely, housebound and all who have no one to pray for them
For the dying, and those caring for them, that they may know the joy of resurrection
For the work of undertakers and those officiating at funeral services

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11: 28-29

WEEK 8:

Weeks commencing:

24/02/2019; 26/05/2019; 25/08/2019; 24/11/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with West Teignmouth St James**

For the Rural Dean and Lay Chairman of Kenn Deanery

For effective communication to all via the Haldon Mission Community Administrator and contributions offered through the respective Parish Monthly Magazines



The Mothers Union vision is of a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful, and flourishing relationships

For those in authority, for the right use of power; for the criminal justice system working towards wisdom and fairness; for the unemployed and the members of the community approaching retirement – that all may be valued whatever their situation.

Jesus proclaimed: *'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour'*.
 Luke 4: 18–19

WEEK 9:

Weeks commencing:

03/03/2019; 02/06/2019; 01/09/2019; 01/12/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Bishopsteignton**

For those creating the beautiful floral displays, Flower Festivals and their contribution to the splendour of God's creation within our respective places of worship

For those responsible for the maintenance of the fabric of our church buildings



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To give thanks for the natural world, and that we may be responsible stewards.

For the work of Devon Historic Churches Trust, especially the encouragement to visit other churches within the Haldon Mission Community

– to share in fun and fellowship together, as well as for fundraising –

'Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing'

1 Thessalonians 5: 11

WEEK 10:

Weeks commencing:

10/03/2019; 09/06/2019; 08/09/2019; 08/12/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Ideford**

For the PCC Secretaries and all who contribute

to the administrative responsibilities within the life and work of our parishes

For our links with Exeter Cathedral and the promotion of our diocesan vision



*Mothers Union members pray for,
promote and support **families** and married life.*

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are being called to join in now
with God's mission of liberation and transformation;
to work for the flourishing of all people and the flourishing of the whole of creation.

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone
who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.* John 3: 16

WEEK 11:

Weeks commencing:

17/03/2019; 16/06/2019; 15/09/2019; 15/12/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet****For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Luton**

For the Bishop of Exeter, the Bishop of Crediton and Bishop of Plymouth

– and their senior staff – for the policy decisions made that contribute

to the delivery of Christian mission and ministry across the Diocese of Exeter

For those who read the Bible passages or prepare the prayers of intercession



*Mothers Union members pray for and
encourage **parents** in their role
to develop the faith of their children*

For single parents, dysfunctional families and for the agencies involved, who deal
with the variety of issues that arise with sensitivity and care for all concerned

For the holidays offered through the Away From It All [A.F.I.A.] scheme

Jesus says: *I come that they may have life, and have it abundantly.*

John 10: 10

WEEK 12:

Weeks commencing:

24/03/2019; 23/06/2019; 22/09/2019; 22/12/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

For the Christian Mission and Ministry linked with Ashcombe Parish

For all who contribute to the maintenance of the buildings & grounds;
those who offer hospitality to visitors and tourists, and for members of Stitchin' Time,
the Tuesday Craft Group and their interaction with the local community
as they share skills and fellowship together



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united in prayer, worship and service*

For the work and Christian witness of the Mothers Union across the diocese
through the communities of interest;
and for our links through prayer and faith in action
at both local and global level

WEEK 13:

Weeks commencing:

31/03/2019; 30/06/2019; 29/09/2019; 29/12/2019

For the events and people named in this week's **Notice Sheet**

For the Christian Mission and Ministry across the Haldon Mission Community

For the retired clergy, Readers and all who contribute to Christian worship
For the fun and fellowship shared through the Dorcas Group



*Mothers Union members pray for and
promote conditions in society favourable
to **stable family life** and the **protection** of children*

The Mothers Union diocesan links with prisons in the county and the continued growth of the '**Book Share**' scheme – as, by reading the same book at the same time, the adult and child will have something in common to talk about on the next family visit or even during home telephone calls. This project aims to help nurture and support family relationships despite difficult situations as well as specifically helping children through what can be a difficult experience when visiting a family member in prison.