

Thames Valley Circuit Prayer Diary

December 2018 – February 2019

**"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive." Matthew 21²²
(NRSV)**

We invite you to join us in remembering in prayer a specific church each week.



Sunday, 2nd December

Thames Valley Circuit

- We give thanks for the Holy Family as we enter the Advent Season.
- We pray for those families living in refugee camps because of warfare, persecution and upheaval in their homelands.

Sunday, 9th December

Burnham



- We give thanks for the visit of the Korean Choir which was exciting, uplifting and encouraging.
- We pray for the events of the Autumn months – in particular that the *Open the Book* and the Alpha course designed specifically for younger people will touch the hearts and minds of all who come into contact.

Sunday, 16th December

Colbrook & Poyle United Church



- We give thanks for the greater co-operation between our church and St Thomas's.
- We pray for the Parish Church as it continues with an interregnum, and offer our support through this stressful time.

Sunday, 23rd December

Cookham Rise



- We give thanks for the babies, toddlers and children and their Mums, Dads and Carers who we meet at *Come and Play* sessions and Crèche each week.
- We pray for all babies born in Bethlehem at this Christmas time as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us. We pray for peace for them and their families.

Sunday, 30th December

Eton Wick



- As the calendar year comes to an end, we give thanks for all who have visited our church and attended our meetings. We pray all will be touched by God's love and brought closer to Him.
- In this New Year may the Holy Spirit guide us, support us and strengthen us as we continue our witness and outreach, and may God's love be upon the Circuit and all their endeavours as we journey onward.

Sunday, 6th January

Hampshire Avenue



- We give thanks for the past year, the present and the future.
- We pray for the ministerial team for God's guidance, wisdom, and strength as we look forward to having new staff.

Sunday, 13th January

High Street, Maidenhead



- We give thanks for God's faithfulness to us through times of change.
- We pray that those members of our congregation who are in residential homes or confined to their own homes. We pray that with our help they will still feel members of our church family.

Sunday, 20th January

Ledgers Road



- We give thanks for our members and friends who have left us to be with the Lord.
- We pray that all who come through the doors of our church here at Ledgers Road will find the peace and love of God within.

Sunday, 27th January

Old Windsor



- We give thanks for all the saints who have contributed to our church and made it what it is.
- We pray for the future of our church, for our hopes and dreams, that we may be furthering your work in our community.

Sunday, 3rd February

St Andrew's Slough



- We give thanks for all the volunteers who serve the Lord by keeping the church running – including church stewards, flower arrangers, aisle stewards, musicians and readers.
- We pray that during Lent the church body will prepare for Easter by worship and reflection.

Sunday, 10th February

St Mark's Crescent Maidenhead



- We give thanks for all who have been and are involved with planning and fundraising for our *2020 Vision* project.
- We pray for support for the older members of our congregation and for opportunities to develop fellowship within and outside our church services, house groups and other small groups.

Sunday, 17th February

Windsor



- We give thanks for the volunteers who have offered to help in the various activities Windsor Methodist Church following the General Church Meeting held in September.
- We pray for our Minister Margaret as she starts her Sabbatical that it may be a time a refreshment and renewal: and the various styles of Worship the Church is developing.

Sunday, 24th February

Woodlands Park



- We give thanks for fellowship and all that we have.
- We pray a happier world and kindness to all.

Thought for the quarter

Best of all is God is with us,
hearts are challenged, strangely warmed,
faith is deepened, courage strengthened,
grace received and hope reformed.

Singing the Faith 610, v 3