

Smestow Vale Team Prayer Diary August 2017

Tuesday 29th August - *Woden Close, Wombourne*

Please remember in your prayers today those who minister in churches of other denominations within the Team area. Pray for Chris as he moves on and for the new Methodist minister starting in September. Pray for Nadeem, the URC minister; for John, the pastor at Kingsway and for Father Mark and other priests involved with ministry at St Bernadette's.

Wednesday 30th August - *Wolmore Lane, Seisdon*

Our first charity this month is the United Society Partners in the Gospel (USPG). Pray for all the work they do in bringing the word of God to communities throughout the world, and in showing his love through their ministry.

Thursday 31st August - *Wombourne Park, Wombourne*

Our second charity is TEAR Fund. Please pray for their work in ministering in needy areas, bringing relief and Good News. Pray for safety for all who work with them, often in dangerous situations.

Please pray for all in long-term sickness or incapacity, including Arthur Barratt, Dorothy Parry, James Clowsley, Alma Elliott, Kath Worthington, Kathy Anderson, Andrew Powney and Stella Fairhurst.

Tuesday 1st August - *The Warings, Wombourne*

Please pray for all those who will be attending Baptism Preparation today, that they may be prepared to perceive the presence of God in the ceremony.

Wednesday 2nd August - *Waterbridge Lane, Wombourne*

Please ask God the bless the marriage of Michael Adams and Marie Guy, taking place at Holy Cross today, and that the couple may know his love always. Pray too for the Pastoral Group meeting today and for all with whom they share the Holy Sacrament.

Thursday 3rd August - *Waterdale, Wombourne*

Please pray for the Alpha Course due to start on September 29th. Pray that the Holy Spirit will bring to that course those whom God is seeking.

Friday 4th August - *Waterfield House, Wombourne*

Thank God today for all the means by which the church can communicate the love of God to young people. Pray for Sunday Club, Little Fish and Messy Church. Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance in finding right ways to reach out to those of Secondary School age.

Saturday 5th August - *Waverley Gardens, Wombourne*

Please pray for our Government that there may be wisdom, courage and stability in the time leading up to Brexit.

Sunday 6th August - **Transfiguration of Our Lord**

"Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses on the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is."

Monday 7th August - *Wedgwood Close, Wombourne*

Thank God for the work of the security services and pray for protection from terrorist attacks, both in this country and throughout the world.

Tuesday 8th August - *Wesley Close, Wombourne*

This morning the staff of the Team Churches meet, and this evening at 7.30 the Himley prayer group get together. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance at both these gatherings.

Wednesday 9th August - *Westbrook Way, Wombourne*

Please pray for the youngsters attending the first of the Holiday Club dates today. Pray too for Sarah and her helpers. Pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire all who attend to know and love God more and more.

Thursday 10th August - *Westfield Drive, Wombourne*

Lift to God today those in so many places suffering from war, persecution, famine and disease. Pray for all who are working to bring them relief and an end to their torments.

Friday 11th August - *Westleigh Road, Wombourne*

Large numbers of people are still on the move, travelling dangerously while seeking a better life. As well as those trying to reach Europe, many are displaced within their own countries. Pray that people and governments throughout the West will reach out to them and will seek the best for all.

Saturday 12th August - *White Row, Trysull*

Please continue to pray for the victims of the Grenfell Tower fire, both those injured or bereaved, and those displaced from their homes. Pray that they will be shown understanding, wisdom, empathy and kindness as they struggle to come to terms with what has happened to them.

Sunday 13th August - **Trinity 9**

Please pray for those being baptised at St Benedict's this afternoon, and for their parents, godparents, families and friends. Pray that all who attend the service will experience the love of God, and that the children will discover him more fully as they grow up.

Monday 14th August - *Whitehouse Farm, Swindon*

Please continue to pray for a Team Vicar for Bobbington and Trysull: for wisdom in knowing how to encourage people to apply so that the right person can be appointed.

Tuesday 15th August - **The Blessed Virgin Mary**

"Almighty God, who looked down upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of the eternal kingdom."

Wednesday 16th August - *Whitehouse Lane, Swindon*

Today is the date for the second meeting of the Holiday Club. Please pray for all who will be there today, that the children will find the love of God and discover the personality of Jesus Christ.

Thursday 17th August - *Whites Wood, Wombourne*

On the front page are listed some people in long-term illness or incapacity. Please remember to pray for them and for any others who have asked for our prayers.

Friday 18th August - *Whittimere Lane, Bobbington*

Please pray today for all clergy who minister within the Team: for Paul, Charmaine, Sue and James. Thank God for their ministry, and ask him to bless them, strengthen them and enable them.

Saturday 19th August - *The Willows, Wombourne*

Today, Andrew Williams and Lily Olivant are to be married at St Michael's. Please pray for them, that God will bless them this day and sustain them with

his love throughout their life together.

Sunday 20th August - **Trinity 10**

"Let your merciful ears O Lord be open to the prayers of your humble servants: and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you."

Monday 21st August - *Windmill Bank, Wombourne*

Please pray today for those who assist in the Team through licensed lay ministry: for Susan, Laurie and Ian. Pray that they will always know the love of God in their lives and the direction of the Holy Spirit in their ministry.

Tuesday 22nd August - *Windmill View, Wombourne*

Thank God for the ministry of music within our churches. Please pray for the choirs, the organists and those who direct the music for our services. Thank God too for those who compose church music, and for hymn-writers, past and present.

Wednesday 23rd August -

Windsor Road, Wombourne

Thank God for the bells which call people to worship, and pray for those who ring them, thanking God for their dedication and skill. Pray that more people will be called to this ministry.

Thursday 24th August - **Bartholomew the Apostle**

"Almighty and everlasting God, who gave your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and preach your word: grant that your Church may love the word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same."

Friday 25th August - *Winston Road, Swindon*

Please remember in your prayers today all churchwardens, asking God to bless and guide them in their care for church buildings and in the orderly running of church activities. Pray too for all sides people and those who welcome visitors to services.

Saturday 26th August - *Wodehouse Close, Wombourne*

Please pray for all members of our PCCs, and ask God to give them wisdom and understanding in the decisions they make.

Sunday 27th August - **Trinity 11**

"O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure."

Monday 28th August - *The Wodehouse, Wombourne*

Please pray for all servers and those who assist the priest at the altar and in administering the sacraments. Pray that God will give them confidence to perform their duties unobtrusively and with integrity.

