

Smestow Vale Team Prayer Diary

November 2018

Please pray for all in long-term sickness or incapacity, including James Clowsley, Alma Elliott, Kathy Anderson, Beryl Sadler and Andrew Powney.

Thursday 1st November - All Saints Day

"Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you."

Friday 2nd November - Brantley Crescent, Bobbington

Please pray for the victims who continue to suffer from the effects of the earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia: the injured, the bereaved and those who have lost homes and/or businesses. Pray for a full and speedy restoration of services and infrastructure. As part of our giving, Cheerful Givers has already sent a donation to the Disasters Emergency Committee's appeal.

Saturday 3rd November - Brantley Lane, Bobbington

Revd Richard Fisher has now been welcomed into the Team at the Service at Trysull at St Luke's tide. Please pray for his ministry, especially in Bobbington and Trysull, over the coming years.

Sunday 4th November - All Saints Sunday

Please pray for all attending the memorial services today, St Michael's at 11.00 and All Saints at 6.30. Pray for all the families recently bereaved as candles are lit for those we love but see no longer.

Monday 5th November - Bratch Common Road, Wombourne

Please pray for all young people and for those who have a ministry among them. Pray too that we may be enabled to attract more families to worship as part of our congregations.

Tuesday 6th November - Bratch Gardens, Wombourne

Please lift before God all those who will be attending baptism preparation in the Team today. Please pray that what they experience in the group will both encourage them, and enable them to understand the true meaning of baptism.

Wednesday 7th November - Bratch Hollow, Wombourne

The Pastoral Group meet this morning. Please pray for them and for all those with whom they share the love of Jesus Christ. Pray for all those who receive Holy Communion at home or in hospital and for all hospital chaplains. Pray too for all attending the continuing Alpha course at St Michael's.

Thursday 8th November - *Bratch Lane, Wombourne*

Please pray for the third meeting of the course of study on St Paul, taking place at St Bart's this evening. Please thank God and pray for all preparing and serving today's lunch at the Venerable Bede. Pray for all attending the meal that it may be a time of fellowship and enjoyment.

Friday 9th November - *Bratch Park, Wombourne*

The warfare and siege continues in The Yemen. Please pray for all who are trapped and unable to receive food or medicines. Pray that this may be brought quickly to an end.

Saturday 10th November - *Brickbridge Lane, Wombourne*

The war in Libya also continues. Please pray that it may end soon; and especially for the people living in Idlib, that they may not have to suffer a dangerous bombardment.

Sunday 11th November - 3rd Sunday before Advent (Remembrance)

Please pray for peace and for all those we are remembering today: both those who have died fighting for peace in the conflicts of the 20th and 21st Centuries, whom we will be remembering at the services throughout the Team; and those family members and friends who have died in the last twelve months being remembered at our service at St Benedict's this evening.

Monday 12th November - *Bridgnorth Avenue, Wombourne*

Please pray for peace to come in the conflict between Israel and the Palestinian people. Pray too for all refugees, including the Rohingya people.

Tuesday 13th November - *Bridgnorth Road, Himley*

Please pray for the Greater Staff Meeting this morning, for all the clergy and Readers and Children's Worker who will be there. Pray too for the Himley Prayer Group meeting this evening. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire both gatherings.

Wednesday 14th November - *Bridgnorth Road, Wombourne*

The Alpha Course continues today. Please pray that those being part of that group will come to know the fellowship of the Holy Spirit as they learn of the love of God and experience the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thursday 15th November - *Bridgewater Drive, Wombourne*

Please pray for St Benedict's School Governors who meet today. Pray for God's blessing on that meeting as they consider how best they can serve the school.

Friday 16th November - *Brindley Close, Wombourne*

Please pray for the homeless, especially for those living on the streets. Pray too for all who experience loneliness in their lives, especially those who cover up those feelings.

Saturday 17th November - *The Broadway, Wombourne*

As Brexit negotiations plod on, please pray for all those involved, especially for Theresa May, our Prime Minister, that ways will be found to reach the best possible outcome.

Sunday 18th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent

Today, the Alpha Group are holding their Holy Spirit Day. Please pray that they will experience a real infilling of the Spirit today, which will remain with them. Pray that the Spirit will be present too for those being baptised at St Benedict's today.

Monday 19th November - *Brook Road, Wombourne*

As the effects of global warming become more noticeable year by year, please pray for all who have it in their power to bring a halt to the climate changes. Pray that we may become more conscious of the part each one of us can play.

Tuesday 20th November - *Brookside Close, Wombourne*

Please pray for Churches Together in Wombourne as they meet tonight to finalise plans for Christmas activities together, and to plan for 2019.

Wednesday 21st November - *Brunel Court, Wombourne*

The Alpha Group meet again today. Please pray for them as they continue in their discoveries together. Pray that they may come to know more and more the reality of the presence of God.

Thursday 22nd November - *Bull Lane, Wombourne*

Please pray for the final meeting at St Bart's studying the life of Saint Paul.

Friday 23rd November - *Bull Meadow Lane, Wombourne*

Please pray for all who work to protect the vulnerable, whether children or adults. Give them wisdom to see when a vulnerable person is in danger and the wisdom and skill to remedy the situation.

Saturday 24th November - *Bumblehole Meadows, Wombourne*

Swimley Autumn Fayre takes place today at Swindon Community Centre from 11.00 to 1.00. Please pray for all who are there, and for a good crowd to be part of events.

Sunday 25th November - Christ the King

Messy Church happens today at The Venerable Bede. Please pray for those of all ages who will be present, for a time of enjoyment and learning.

Monday 26th November - *Calvin Close, Wombourne*

Please pray for Wombourne PCC as they meet today. Pray that the meeting will be guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit. Pray for His guidance in all the discussions and decisions.

Tuesday 27th November - *Campion Close, Wombourne*

Please pray today for the world of work. Pray for those who find their work uninspiring that they may find in it the presence of God; for those who are overworked, that they may find a way to reduce their workload and spend more time with their families; for those in low paid and monotonous work, especially any who do not receive a living wage; and for those unable to find work, that opportunities will present themselves. Pray too for any who are forced to work in something akin to modern slavery, that they may find a way to make their escape.

Wednesday 28th November - *Cannon Road, Wombourne*

Please pray for the members of the Alpha Group as their course continues today. Pray that God will continue to bless them as the meetings continue.

Thursday 29th November - *Cedars Avenue, Wombourne*

Our second charity this month is the National Arboretum at Alrewas, as we make a donation in support of John Stratton's piano marathon.

Friday 30th November - Andrew the Apostle (Patron of Scotland)

"Creator God, who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him: call us by your holy word, and give us grace to follow you without delay and to tell the good news of your kingdom."