

- 11 F Ember Day
Western Tanganyika (Tanzania) Bp Gerard E Mpango; Bps Marko Badeleya, Naftal Bikaka, Sospeter Ndenza
Crossnet (Fresh Expressions)
Nick Crawley (Network Mission Priest)
Please join in thanking God for the clarification of the ministry focus, for God's grace in our lives and for the growth in discipleship. Please pray with us that we will continue to learn how to engage in and do effective mission that results in baptisms. Please pray for our ministry with the students and young adults, that many will encounter Christ.
- 12 Sa Ember Day
Wiauso (West Africa) Bp Abraham Kobina Ackah
City Deanery Uganda Link:
Dioceses of Central Buganda (Bishop Jackson Matovu) and West Buganda (Bishop Samuel Kefa Semakula Kamyā). Pray for plans to take a group of young people from the Deanery to Uganda next year.
- 13 S ADVENT 3**
Willochra (Australia) Bp Gary Weatherill
Porvoo: Southwell (England), Borg (Norway)
The Julian Trust
Provides an emergency Night Shelter for the homeless in Bristol.
"At present we are able to offer up to fifteen beds for overnight accommodation in a large dormitory. These are quickly filled and sadly we often have to turn away would-be guests. We regularly provide over eighty hot meals each night that we are open."
- 14 M John of the Cross, poet, teacher, 1591
Winchester (England) Bp Michael Charles Scott-Joynt; Bp Trevor Willmott (Basingstoke), Bp Paul Roger Butler (Southampton)
Diocesan Registry
Tim Berry (Registrar), David Holmes, Janet Saxon (Deputies)
For all the staff in the Registry and the DAC. Especially for David and Jane Holmes - David in his long-term illness, and for Jane his wife who is recovering from an operation. For Sarah Davis the Registry Clerk in her sterling work to succeed Gill Hawkings, who has retired.
- 15 T **Windward Islands** (West Indies) Bp Calvert Leopold Friday
Bristol Cathedral

Pray for the continuing success of the Arts at St Aidan's programme; for exploration of Healing Ministry, work with young children, and developing relationships with the community and other churches, and for contacts with Air Balloon School.
Bishop's Staff

- 25 W **West Buganda** (Uganda) Bp Samuel Cephas Kamyā
Catherine of Alexandria, martyr, 4th cent
Isaac Watts, hymn writer, 1748
All Saints Fishponds (EBP)
Give thanks for the successful summer Holiday Bible Club. Pray for our young people, especially the Otters Group (9-14), for the developing Church Growth Plan, and for shared vision. Pray that in all these changes the needs of the faithful older members of the church may still be met.
- 26 Th **West Malaysia** (South East Asia) Bp Ng Moon Hing; Assistants, Bp Batumalai, Bp Andrew Phang
St John the Divine Fishponds (EBP)
Pray for the many contacts with the local community, through the church hall, the Luncheon Club for older people, weekly coffee mornings in church, and the welcoming policy on baptisms. For Nicola Callen, as she begins her ordination training course.
- 27 F **West Missouri** (USA) Bp Barry Robert Howe
St Mary Fishponds (EBP)
Give thanks for the musical tradition of the church, and those who support it. Pray for its outreach through the weekly Music for Toddlers, the Saturday drop-in lunches; and for Chris Evans as she begins her ordination training course.
- 28 Sa St Andrewstide prayers for the mission of the church
West Tennessee (USA) Bp Don E Johnson
St Michael, Two Mile Hill (EBP)
Outreach happens through the links with the local school, Air Cadets squadron, other uniformed organisations, and the weekly Little Angels toddlers group in the church hall.
- 29 S ADVENT 1**
West Texas (Province VII, USA) Bp Gary Lillibridge, Suffragan Bp David Mitchell Reed
Porvoo: St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane (Scotland), Porvoo (Finland)
Mission Societies
Pray also for a 'fresh start' for parishes, deaneries and diocese; for renewed vision and energy in mission and ministry, in prayer and worship.

Porvoo: Oslo (Norway), Durham, Moray Ross and Caithness (Scotland)

Pray for all those attending Carol Services, Christingle and Crib services today and during the next week.

- 21 M **Yei** (Sudan) Bp Hilary Luete Adeba
Caring at Christmas This shelter in Bristol provides homeless people with warm and safe accommodation over the Christmas period. Pray for all involved, especially the local volunteers. (The centre opens on Christmas Eve for one week.)
- 22 T **Yewa** (*formerly Egbado*) (Nigeria) Bp Simeon Adebola
Pray for all who will be on their own, or away from home this Christmas (service personnel, seafarers, etc.)
- 23 W **Yirol** (Sudan) Bp Benjamin Mangar Mamur
Pray for patients in hospital over the Christmas holiday, and for the medical staff and chaplains.
- 24 Th Christmas Eve
Yokohama (Japan) Bp Lawrence Minabe
Pray for all who are working over the Christmas period, to maintain essential services.
- 25 F **CHRISTMAS DAY**
Yola (Nigeria) Bp Ibrahim Markus
"When peaceful silence lay over all and earth was in the midst of her swift course; from your royal throne, O God, down from the heavens, leapt your almighty Word." (Wisdom chap 18)
Pray for peace in the Holy Land.
- 26 Sa **Stephen, deacon, first martyr**
York (England) Abp John Tucker Mugabi Sentamu, Bp Martyn William Jarrett (Beverley), Bp Richard Michael Cokayne Frith (Hull), Bp Martin William Wallace (Selby).
Pray for all who suffer persecution for the sake of the Gospel
- 27 S JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST (or CHRISTMAS 1)**
Ysabel (Melanesia) Bp Richard Naramana
Porvoo: Uleåborg (Finland), Coventry (England)
- 28 M **The Holy Innocents**
Yukon (Canada) Abp Terrence O Buckle
Pray for children who suffer ill-treatment and abuse of any kind; for the work of the Children's Society, NSPCC and similar charities.
- 29 T Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr, 1170
Zanzibar (Tanzania) Vacant

opportunities, affirming and building God's Kingdom of love and justice in every part of society.

- 16 M Margaret, queen, philanthropist, 1231
Edmund Rich, abp, 1240
Waiapu (New Zealand) Bp David Rice
St Paul Clifton (*see 14th*)
Pray for the University Chaplaincy work.
- 17 T Hugh, bishop, 1200
Waikato (New Zealand) Abp David John Moxon
St Paul's Bristol (St Agnes)
Please pray for the new incumbent Barrie Green, who is due to have been installed on Sunday 1st November.
Liturgy Committee
- 18 W Elizabeth of Hungary, princess, philanthropist, 1093
Wakefield (England) Bp Stephen Platten, Bp Anthony Robinson (Pontefract)
Easton Christian Family Centre (Holy Trinity with St Gabriel, St Lawrence and St Jude)
Philip Nott (PiC), David Moore (Associate Minister), Hilary Howard (LLM).
As an inner city parish, we aim to "Welcome All with the Love of Jesus", and our focus this year is on People: We give thanks for new people being baptised and our continuing work in our diverse community through the Easton Families Project.
Planet : Please pray for our Green Roof project as our roof needs replacing.
Poverty : Please pray for our partnership with Crisis Centre Ministries as they seek to move into our parish.
Church's Ministry of Healing
- 19 Th Hilda, abbess, 680
Mechtild, béguine, mystic, 1280
Wangaratta (Australia) Bp Ralph David Farrer
St Anne with St Mark and St Thomas Eastville
Jane Hayward (Vicar)
We give thanks for the freedom to laugh and cry together, to bring joys and sorrows, questions and quirks before God and to discover that through grace, we are loved and accepted. Please pray that we may grow and grow closer to: Mar Thoma friends, Inner City Partnership, young people, our local community, and our Lord.
- 20 F Edmund, king, martyr, 870
Priscilla Lydia Sellon, a restorer of the religious life in the Church of England, 1876

Please pray for the parish as we seek a new Team Rector as well as trying to develop ministry and leadership during the vacancy. We also need to adjust to now only having two full time members of staff instead of three. We aim to open a drop in youth club in the early autumn and are appointing a replacement part-time student youth worker."

5 Th **Upper South Carolina** (USA) Bp Dorsey Felix Henderson
Bishop's Council (Directors)

6 F *Leonard, hermit, 6th century*
William Temple, bp Canterbury, teacher of the faith
Uruguay (South America) Bp Miguel Tamayo; Bp Gilberto Obdulio Porcal
Martinez
St Michael and All Angels, Bishopston (see 4th)

7 Sa Willibrord, bishop, 739
Utah (USA) Bp Carolyn Tanner Irish
Church of the Good Shepherd, Bishop Road (see 4th)

8 S **THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT / Remembrance Sunday**

Uyo (Nigeria) Bp Isaac Orama
Porvoo: Norwich (England), Luleå (Sweden)
The Armed Forces

Pray for all today's Remembrance services: for those who suffer as a result of injury and bereavement in armed conflicts.

9 M *Margery Kempe, mystic, c. 1440*
Vanuatu (Melanesia) Bp James Marvin Ligo
St Bartholomew, St Andrews (see 4th)

10 T Leo the Great, pope, teacher of the faith, 461
Vellore (South India) Bp Yesuratnam William
St Stephen w St James and St John the Baptist w St Michael and St George
Tim Higgins (PiC), Elizabeth Kesteven (C).
Please pray for the steps to growing a shared city centre ministry which embraces retail chaplaincy, organisations and networks of those who work in the centre. At Saint Stephen's we give thanks for the work on the Reconciliation Reredos linking with occupations and city inheritance. Pray too for the continuing nurture of 'critical.mass', the gathering with sound and sacrament connecting with a wider spirituality. Give thanks for the ministry team.
Strategy Group

11 W Martin, bishop, c. 397
Venezuela (USA) Bp Orlando Guerrero



Diocese of Bristol | Cycle of Prayer

November – December 2009

When Fr John Bradley died suddenly in August, he left the last quarter of this Cycle unfinished. We have been privileged to take over his work. Without changing his basic format, we have tried to fill in the gaps he left. Obviously there are still some omissions – and we give apologies to any who had sent John their prayer requests, which are inaccessible in his e-mail.

Apologies also for:

any out-dated information – it's remarkably hard to keep up to date with everything.

faults in formatting (for which we take full responsibility): - time constraints have meant that Colin Lunt has not been able to take this fully in hand. We are very grateful to Sam Cavender for stepping into the gap, but he too has not had enough time.

Our hope is that we will have the first quarter of 2010 ready in time to publish it before Christmas, and will shortly be contacting parishes and individuals for their prayer requests.

We would also welcome ideas and suggestions about what to include, or how to present the material, so that it becomes more effective.

For we are convinced that prayer for one another and for the wider church is an integral part of our mission, and should be included in our strategy for growth.

Please use this cycle of prayer and encourage others to use it.

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"Prayer is the test of everything;
prayer is also the source of everything;
prayer is the driving force of everything;
prayer is also the director of everything.
If prayer is right, everything is right.
For prayer will not allow anything to go wrong."

Theophan the Recluse (1815-94)

"God does nothing except in response to believing prayer." *John Wesley*