

### Prayer Diary March 2024

- 1) The world day of prayer. A service prepared by the Palestinian Christian women of the west bank. Pray for them and for Gaza.
- 2) Pray for the congregation and community of St John the Baptist in Melmerby.
- 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent. **Eternal God give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- 4) Remember 'Restore' and their outreach in Penrith.
- 5) Pray for all the staff in our Mission Community.
- 6) The Community centre in Gamblesby, the village and Little Acorns.
- 7) The Communion service and the Tenants of Eden Court, especially those recently arrived.
- 8) Pray for all those who gather to pray for our communities.
- 9) May the Mothering Sunday services in Gamblesby, Kirkoswald and Great Salkeld be joyful occasions.
- 10) 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent. **Mothering Sunday. God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- 11) Remember all those meeting together in the Lenten groups seeking to grow in faith and the knowledge of the love of God.
- 12) Pray for Skirwith as it holds its regular soup day.
- 13) Remember the communities in Kirkland and Blencain as they meet in fellowship.
- 14) Hold those who volunteer in Tbreak and the families who attend in your prayers.
- 15) May Kettle Calling continue to provide fellowship as well as great coffee.
- 16) Give thanks for the ministry of Keith and Elizabeth Speck as they prepare to move on.
- 17) 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent. **Gracious Father, you gave up your son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- 18) Pray for our schools in Culgaith, Kirkoswald, Langwathby and Lazonby.
- 19) Joseph of Nazareth. **Heavenly Father, whose Son grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Joseph the carpenter of Nazareth and on the wood of the cross perfected the work of the world's salvation: help us, strengthened by the sacrament of his passion, to count the wisdom of the world as foolishness, and to walk with him in simplicity and trust; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
- 20) Remember the 'Oasis' gathering and Meeting point in Langwathby Chapel.
- 21) Pray for the community in Huntsonby and for their swimming pool.
- 22) May Culgaith school fund raising Bingo night be success.

23) Pray for the EEMC joint service tomorrow that it may be a time for the strengthening of bonds between us to the glory of God.

24) Palm Sunday. True and humble King, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

25) The Annunciation of Our Lord. God most high, whose handmaid bore the word made flesh: we thank you that in the sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26) Pray for the Celtic service being held at Great Salkeld at 7pm

27) Pray for the evensong service being held in Lazonby at 7pm

28) Maundy Thursday. God our father, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for him: may we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful.

29) Good Friday. Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus we see the cost of our sin and the depth of your love: in humble hope and fear may we place at his feet all that we have and all that we are, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

30) Easter Eve. In the depth of our isolation we cry to you, Lord God: give light in our darkness and bring us out of the prison of our despair; through Jesus Christ Our Lord

31) Easter Day. God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.