

















Thursday 25		DURHAM DIOCESE Elton, St John. <i>Philip Ashdown (Priest-in-charge), Margaret Charlton (APA), Dorothy Blackburn and George Harrison (Churchwardens).</i> Give thanks for the generosity of retired clergy and of the laity that sustains their worship. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bp Solomon Yoon, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of Korea & Bishop of Busan SOCIAL ACTION Pray for the many refugees who flee to this country every year in the hope of a better life. May the Government consider each case with compassion and understanding and be reminded of the possible consequences of returning some people to their home countries.
Friday 26		DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Bishop's Council meeting over the next two days. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Busoga - (Uganda) Bp Michael Kyomya . THE PERSECUTED CHURCH Pray for the work of Open Doors in highlighting persecution of Christians around the world.
Saturday 27		DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton St. Paul in Covenanted Partnership with Newtown Methodist Church. <i>Derek Rosamond (Priest-in-charge), Mike Harland (Methodist Minister), Heather Crudgington (Reader), Sharon Stockton (Community Development Worker and Churchwarden).</i> Pray for the continued growth of the LEP, and for the community development project - PLANT. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Butare - (Rwanda) Bp Nathan Gasatura HEALING & WHOLENESS Pray for the elderly people in our society, some of whom live isolated and cut off from the outside world.
Sunday 28 Palm Sunday		DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton St Peter with All Saints' (Hartburn Village). <i>Philip Ashdown (Vicar), Albert Roxbrough and Len Gooding (churchwardens).</i> Pray for the SMDT as they discern ways of relating to the changing community around St Peter's Church. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Pray for Bishop of Jerusalem - (Middle East) Bp Suheil Dawani. THE WORLD AROUND US As Christ made his triumphant arrival in Jerusalem, pray for all those around the world who are on a journey of faith, or of personal discovery. May they know God's loving protection and peace.
Monday 29		DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton, St Thomas. <i>Alan Farish (Priest-in-charge), Susannah Green (Curate), Bridget Noble (Reader).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Butere - (Kenya) Bp Michael Sande ALL GOD'S PEOPLE Somalia. Pop. 9 million. The country is predominately ruled by insurgents and without an effective government pirates are continuing to pose a threat to international shipping waters.
Tuesday 30		DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the schools of St Mary's, Holy Trinity, St Mark's/Elm Tree, William Cassidi, Prior's Hill, Bishopton/Redmarshall, Eaglescliffe and St John the Baptist in the Deanery – for their staff, pupils and governors. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Buye - (Burundi) Bp Sixbert Macumi THE WORLD AT RISK Pray for the continuing struggle to combat terrorism and extremism, and for a global consensus to tackle the problems facing so many parts of our world.
Wednesday 31		DURHAM DIOCESE Ian Ramsey (CoE Aided) Secondary School. Give thanks for the commitment and gifts of the retiring head teacher and also the retiring chaplain. Pray for the new head teacher and for discernment in the appointment of a new chaplain. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Byumba - (Rwanda) Bp Onesphore Rwaje SOCIAL ACTION Pray for new ways of ministering to people in our towns and cities, giving thanks for initiatives like Street Pastors.








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CYCLE OF PRAYER

Prayers for the Body of Christ in our Diocese this month focus on STOCKTON DEANERY	
Monday 1	 DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Bishop's Staff Team meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Belize - (West Indies) Bp Philip Wright THE LESOTHO LINK Remember in prayer the three Christian camps which the LINK staff will be running for the Anglican youth, reaching over 120 young people with the gospel and teaching about discipleship, that these may be effective events.
Tuesday 2	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Diocesan Advisory Committee meeting today ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bendigo - (Victoria, Australia) Bp Andrew Curnow NORTH ELBIA LINK Pray for Link Co-ordinator Volker Thiedemann and his successor Christa Huntzinger on their visit to the Diocese of Durham and St Cuthbert Pilgrimage in March.
Wednesday 3	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Bishop's Council Enabling Group meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Benin - (Province of Bendel, Nigeria) Bp Peter Imasuen ALBA IULIA LINK Pray for the monasteries in Alba Iulia diocese and their work of prayer and worship.
Thursday 4	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the DBF Executive meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bermuda - (Bermuda) Bp Patrick White LESOTHO PARISHES St Mark's, Masapong (Fr. Motho Makhetha)
Friday 5	 DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton Deanery. <i>David Brooke (Area Dean), Linda Ross (Lay Chair), Sharon Stockton (Secretary), Ian Smith (Surrogate), Margaret Vaughan (Treasurer/Stewardship officer), Robert Cooper (Associate Deanery Minister), Maggie Vigor (SSM licensed to Area Dean), and all retired clergy in the Deanery.</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bethlehem - (Province III, USA) Bp Dr Paul Marshall THE WORLD AROUND US On Women's World Day of Prayer, give thanks for all women around the world and especially those who face hardship because of poverty, war or famine.
Saturday 6	 DURHAM DIOCESE Billingham, St Aidan. <i>Stephen Liddle (Priest-in-charge), Shirley Abel (Reader), Enid Grey (APA).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bhopal - (North India) Bp Laxman Maida ALL GOD'S PEOPLE Laos. Pop. 6 million. Accusations of abuse by the military towards ethnic minorities has put the country's human rights record under international scrutiny. Pray that all inhabitants may live side by side in peace.
Sunday 7 Lent 3	DURHAM DIOCESE Billingham, St Cuthbert. <i>Richard Smith (Vicar), Jane Craig, Jean Melrose (Readers), Yvonne Kane (APA).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Hong Kong Island - The Most Revd Paul Kwong HEALING & WHOLENESS At the start of 'Share the Care Week', pray for all carers across the UK. May they find time themselves for respite from their duties.
Monday 8	 DURHAM DIOCESE Billingham, St Luke. <i>Tim Parker (Vicar), Shirley Abel (Reader).</i> Give thanks for their link church, St. John's, Nyakaina, Uganda, and for their ministry teams and pray for the sharpening of a missionary focus locally. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bolivia - (South America) Bp Frank Lyons THE WORLD AT RISK Climate change is endangering polar bears in the Arctic. Pray for more to be done to protect them before they are lost forever.
Tuesday 9	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Mission & Pastoral Committee meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bondo - (Kenya) Bp Johannes Angela SOCIAL ACTION We continue to pray for the effects of the global recession and call for more to be done to assist the hardest hit.

Wednesday 10 	DURHAM DIOCESE Billingham, St Mary Magdalene. <i>David Brooke (Priest-in-charge), Paul Clayton (SSM Associate Minister), Sheila Day, Valerie Hall (Readers).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bor - (Sudan) Bp Nathaniel Angieth THE PERSECUTED CHURCH May Churches around the world be reminded that for some, expression of faith is illegal - forcing some Christians to worship underground.
Thursday 11 	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Glebe Committee meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Botswana - (Central Africa) Bp Trevor Mwamba THE LESOTHO LINK Give thanks for the opportunity to raise awareness of some of the needs of Lesotho through the Great North Bus Challenge. Pray for the team as they plan for the 2010 event, giving thanks for Bishop Mark's involvement on the day.
Friday 12 	DURHAM DIOCESE Bishopton & Great Stainton, Redmarshall, St Cuthbert, Grindon, Stillington and Wolviston in plurality. <i>David Brooke (Vicar), Paul Clayton (SSM Curate), Pamela Russell (Reader).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bradford - (CofE) Bp David James LESOTHO PARISHES St Agnes', Teyateyaneng (Fr. Joseph Kooma)
Saturday 13 	DURHAM DIOCESE Eaglescliffe, St John the Baptist. <i>Tim Ollier (Rector), Marian Marshall (APA), Barbara Hilton (Reader in training), Gill Wild, Head Teacher of the VC Primary School.</i> Give thanks for the completion of the building development work. Pray for a generous response so that their finances may more effectively reflect our needs; and pray for the further development of ministry in the parish. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Brandon - (Rupert's Land, Canada) Bp James Njegovan HEALING & WHOLENESS Pray for the Northumbria Deaf Mission, for those who are deaf or hard of hearing, and for greater understanding of deafness.
Sunday 14 Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	DURHAM DIOCESE Norton, St Mary the Virgin. <i>Norman Shave (Vicar), Johannes Nobel (Curate), Christopher Pearson (OPM Curate), Peter Franklin (Reader), Susanne Gardener (admin) Sophie Yates (youth worker).</i> Give thanks for encouraging levels of teamwork amongst those involved with St Mary's. Pray for inspiring and God centred worship, deepening discipleship as they engage with the Big Read through Lent and for growth in their work with families, children and young people. ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Most Revd Gerald Ernest, Archbishop, Province of the Indian Ocean & Bishop of Mauritius. THE WORLD AROUND US On this Mothering Sunday, give thanks for our Mother Church and all who are mothers. We ask the Lord to bless them this day and always.
Monday 15 	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Houses Committee, the Board of Education and the Council for Ministry meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Brechin - (Scotland) The Revd Dr. John Mantle ALL GOD'S PEOPLE Peru. Pop. 29 million. Pray that gang warfare linked to the drug trade can be effectively tackled to reduce the levels of murder and violence.
Tuesday 16 	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Church Buildings Committee meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bristol - (CofE) Bp Michael Hill THE WORLD AT RISK We hear of poverty across the world every day, but let us not forget the poverty which exists in the UK, particularly among the young people of this nation.
Wednesday 17 	DURHAM DIOCESE Norton, St Michael and All Angels. <i>Damon Bage (Priest-in-charge), Dawn Craggs (APA).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION British Columbia - (British Columbia & the Yukon, Canada) Bp James A J Cowan SOCIAL ACTION Pray for those who exercise authority in our communities and we particularly pray for our police forces.

Thursday 18 	DURHAM DIOCESE Pray for the Area Deans meeting today. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bujumbura - (Burundi) Bp Pie Ntukamazina THE PERSECUTED CHURCH Release International warns that persecution of Christians is set to worsen in North Korea in 2010 and asks that the country will 'open its door to Christian activity'.
Friday 19 	DURHAM DIOCESE Long Newton, St Mary. <i>Alan Farish (Vicar), John Lambert (Associate Minister), Susannah Green (Curate), Andrew Killick, John Taylor (Readers).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bukavu - (Congo) Bp Sylvestre Bahati THE LESOTHO LINK Remember in prayer the 20 staff at the LINK in Lesotho many of whom will be having their summer holidays over this period; for rest, refreshment and rejuvenation.
Saturday 20 	DURHAM DIOCESE Preston on Tees, All Saints. <i>Alan Farish (Vicar), John Lambert (Associate Minister), Susannah Green (Curate), Sylvia Wilson (OLM Curate), Andrew Killick, John Taylor, Anne Wildsmith (Readers).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bukedi - (Uganda) Bp Nicodemus Engwalas-Okille LESOTHO PARISHES St Barnabas', Masite (Fr Tanki Job Mofana)
Sunday 21 Lent 5 	DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton, Holy Trinity. <i>Sue Giles (Priest-in-charge), Connie Robinson (Reader).</i> ANGLICAN COMMUNION The Liturgical Consultation. Pray for its participants and secretary, as they resource, promotes and strengthen the worshipping life of the Communion. HEALING & WHOLENESS Pray for children in third world countries who have been struck down with debilitating diseases, many of which can be easily treated with medication.
Monday 22 	DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton, St Chad. <i>Norman Shave (Vicar), Johannes Nobel (Curate), Christopher Pearson (OPM Curate), Isobel Clements (Reader).</i> Give thanks for those who faithfully attend this Church and for good links with local schools. Pray for the youth club on Tuesday evenings and for plans to replace the boiler and chimney. Pray for God's guidance as they consult with churches in Hardwick regarding the future. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bunbury - (Western Australia, Australia) Bp William McCall THE WORLD AROUND US Keep in prayer those people in developed nations whose governments have failed them and who face poverty and a bleak future.
Tuesday 23 	DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton, St James. <i>Jane Bell (Priest-in-charge), Lana Green (Reader), Christine Williams (APA).</i> Give thanks for faithful congregation and for fellowship with St Andrew's Methodist Church. Pray for Stockton HOPE - their Hardwick Church and Community Project and for Glynnis McNaughton, their Development Worker, and for ministry in the nursing homes. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bungoma - (Kenya) Vacant ALL GOD'S PEOPLE North Korea. Pop. 24 million. The country has hinted at developing better communication with the US. Pray for fruitful talks between the two countries regarding North Korea's nuclear programme.
Wednesday 24 	DURHAM DIOCESE Stockton, St John the Baptist. <i>Jane Bell (Priest-in-charge), Lana Green (Reader), Christine Williams (APA).</i> Give thanks for faithful congregations. Pray for their After School Club; for St John's Living Well Project and the developing role of Community Chaplain. For their links with St John's CoE Primary School and for the new Headteacher, Kerry Coe. ANGLICAN COMMUNION Bunyoro-Kitara - (Uganda) Bp Nathan Kyamanywa THE WORLD AT RISK We continue to pray for awareness of our fragile earth and its dwindling resources.