



Longniddry Church

PRAYER DIARY

Spring 2024

1 On March 1st, World day of prayer 2024, prepared by the women of Palestine.

2 'O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer

When I call, answer me. Come and listen to me' Taize

3 At Mothering Sunday, remember all mothers and all who guide us through life.

4 'Lord, you sometimes speak in silence through our loud and noisy day

We can know and trust you better when we quietly wait and pray'.

5 Faithful God, may we always treasure your love for us and be ready to share it with others.

6 Pray for those in leadership, that they may seek the peace of nations

7 Compassionate Christ, you reach out to us in love. Open our eyes to see the needs of our hungry world. Make us generous in our response.

8 We pray for those we meet each day, at work or in the street, online or in person, at home or on the phone.

9 God of new beginnings, help us to cherish and esteem your gift of creation. Be with us as we respond to your call to care for the earth.

10 Pray for all who teach in our community. May knowledge and wisdom guide us.

11 Loving God, be with us in shadows of suffering, anxiety and grief.

12 During Lent may we renew our hope.

13 'Let us leave a little room for reflection in our lives, room too for silence. Let us look at ourselves especially to find such a delightful place' St Augustine of Hippo

14 We pray for unity in our churches and in our countries.

15 'Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding' Albert Einstein

16 Remember those who are ill and the folk looking after them.

17 Almighty God, you sing your song of joy to us. Breathe your spirit into our singing, until our words and our lives tell of your Kingdom of mercy and justice.

18 We give thanks for the spring flowers appearing. Don't let us take the nature around us for granted.

19 We pray for the work of the Daisy Chain project in Glasgow, run by Crossreach. This project helps families to reconnect, especially mothers and children.

20 We pray for the work to help the school in the Eastern Himalayas. We give thanks for all who filled jars of grace for books, bells and bangles.

21 'O Lord, with your eyes set upon me, gently smiling, you have spoken my name

All I long for I have found by the water,
at your side I will seek other shores'
Hymn 532

22 We give thanks for Easter and the promise of new life and hope.

23 'Prayer is the soul's desire, uttered or unexpressed.

The notion of a hidden fire that trembles in the breast' (James Montgomery)

24 Thank God for the millions of carers who provide support to family and friends who are frail, ill or disabled.

25 We pray for the work of Christian Aid. May those who are able give money to help.

26 Remember all in the General Assembly and help them to make difficult decisions. We ask your blessing on the next Moderator, Rev. Shaw James Morrison.

27 We pray for the work of the Salvation Army, helping the homeless and friendless on our streets and in our cities.

28 We pray for our world, especially for the nations where there is war and unrest. We pray for all who suffer.

29 'Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play,

Praise the Lord everywhere in every way'.

30 We ask for compassion for all those who are affected in some way by any form of dementia. We remember those whose memory now fades and whose enjoyment of life is changing in ways difficult to understand.

31 Pray for wisdom that we would use our tongues to build up and encourage, to praise and bless rather than causing distress.