



Great St Mary's

THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH CAMBRIDGE

PRAYER CALENDAR



Great Saint Mary's Church from the Market

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*In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.*

Philippians 4:6

At the heart of Christianity is the ministry of prayer.

“Pray without ceasing”, instructed the apostle Paul,
who also taught us to be “joyful in hope, patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer”.

Scripture teaches us to give thanks to God for all his rich
blessings and to present the needs of others, including our
enemies, and of ourselves, before him, allowing the Holy Spirit
to intercede for us.

We have the privilege of praying for the Anglican Communion,
the Diocese of Ely, our own Church and Parish and the
University. This prayer cycle is used in Great St Mary's and may
also be used at home.

Thank you for your ministry of prayer



West Door of Great Saint Mary's

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The Diocese of Ely Prayer Calendar includes the Diocesan Prayer Calendar and the Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer and is used in conjunction with the lists below.

<https://www.elydiocese.org/prayer-calendar>

Day 1

In our university, we pray for the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellors, Registry and Proctors.

In our city, we pray for our mayor and councillors.

In our church, we pray for our vicar and licensed clergy and ministers.

Day 2

In our university, we pray for the Faculties of Architecture and History of Art, and of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies.

In our city, we pray for our Member of Parliament.

In our church, we pray for our churchwardens and assistant churchwardens.

Day 3

In our university, we pray for the Faculties of Classics, Divinity, Philosophy and Music, and Trinity Hall.

In our city, we pray for our county councillors.

In our church, we pray for our retired clergy and the other clergy who assist us.

Day 4

In our university, we pray for the Faculties of English and of Modern and Medieval Languages, Clare College and Clare Hall.

We pray for members of the House of Lords who live or work in our city.

In our church, we pray for our sidespersons, welcomers and those who serve coffee.

Day 5

In our university, we pray for Research Centres in the School of Arts and Humanities, and the Language Centre.

We pray for the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and their family.

In our church, we pray for the members of our Parochial Church Council, its Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, and the members of our Finance and Fabric Committee.

Day 6

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Human, Social and Political Science, and King's College.

In our city, we pray for the patients and staff of Addenbrooke's Hospital, the Rosie, the Royal Papworth Hospital and private hospitals.

In our church, we pray for our Director of Operations and Buildings, Church Operations Manager, Finance Manager, Operations Assistant and the Vicar's Personal Assistant.

Day 7

In our university, we pray for the Faculties of Economics, Education and History, and Murray Edwards College.

In our city, we pray for the patients and staff of the Arthur Rank Hospice and the East Anglia Children's Hospice.

In our church, we pray for our Shop Manager, Buildings Supervisor and Front of Church Team.

Day 8

In our university, we pray for the Departments of History and Philosophy of Science and of Land Economy, and Corpus Christi College.

In our city, we pray for all doctors, dentists, nurses and administrative staff in GP and dental surgeries.

In our church, we pray for our servers, communion administrators, sacristan, vergers and livestream operators.

Day 9

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Law, the Institute of Criminology and Sidney Sussex College.

In our city, we pray for all paid and voluntary carers in the community.

In our church, we pray for all who sing in our choirs, our Director of Music, Assistant Director of Music, Music and Liturgy Administrator, and choir stewards and chaperones.

Day 10

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Biology, Downing College and Robinson College.

In our city, we pray for the students and staff of Anglia Ruskin University.

In our church, we pray for all who sing in our Junior Choir, its Director, and the Academy of Great Saint Mary's.

Day 11

In our university, we pray for the Department of Veterinary Medicine, Research Units and Institutes within the School of Biological Sciences, and Selwyn College.

In our city, we pray for all nursery practitioners, other nursery staff and childminders.

We pray for all young children who attend the Ark, Chat–Play–Sing and Sunday creche.

Day 12

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Geography, and Homerton College.

In our city, we pray for all teachers, teaching assistants and administrative staff in our schools and sixth-form colleges.

We pray for all who attend our Children's Church, our Children's and Youth Minister, Creche Worker, volunteers and Safeguarding Officer.

Day 13

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Mathematics and Jesus College.

In our church, we pray for our Buildings Supervisor, Front of Church Assistants and casual shop staff.

In our city, we pray for our police officers, firefighters and paramedics and those who support them.

Day 14

In our university, we pray for the Faculty of Physics and Chemistry, and Fitzwilliam College.

In our city, we pray for all who provide counselling services.

In our church, we pray for all our young people, the Ignite Youth Group and HeartsEase.

Day 15

In our university, we pray for the Departments of Clinical Neurosciences, Haematology, Medical Genetics and Medicine, and Emmanuel College.

In our city, we pray for those who operate and maintain our cemeteries and crematorium, and our funeral directors.

We pray for all customers and staff of Michaelhouse Café, the Friends of Michaelhouse and the Michaelhouse Singers.

Day 16

In our university, we pray for the Departments of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, and of Public Health and Primary Care, and Girton College.

In our city, we pray for all who work in and use our central and local libraries.

In our church, we pray for our Sunday readers and intercessors and our flower arrangers.

Day 17

In our university, we pray for the Departments of Oncology, Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Radiology and Surgery.

In our city, we pray for our local print, broadcast and digital media.

We pray for the ordinands attached to our church.

Day 18

In our university, we pray for Research Units and Institutes within the School of Clinical Medicine, and Newnham College.

In our city, we pray for all retail and catering staff.

In our parish, we pray for all market stall holders.

Day 19

In our university, we pray for the Department of Engineering and Hughes Hall.

In our city, we pray for our theatres and cinemas and all who work in them.

We pray for the shops and businesses located within our parish.

Day 20

In our university, we pray for Faculty of Business and Management, Queens' College and St Edmund's College.

In our city, we pray for all language students, language schools and hosts.

We pray for the residents of our parish.

Day 21

In our university, we pray for the Department of Computer Science and Technology.

In our city, we pray for all tourists and those who work in visitor welcome and hospitality.

We pray for the homeless people who sleep in our parish and those who seek to help them.

Day 22

In our university, we pray for the Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology, Magdalene College and Lucy Cavendish College.

In our city, we pray for all scientists and support staff working for private companies.

In our parish, we pray for our eMag Editor and our Parish Architect.

Day 23

In our university, we pray for the University Library, the Fitzwilliam Museum, University Information Services and Wolfson College.

In our city, we pray for all who work in waste collection, sorting, recycling and disposal.

In our church, we pray for the members of our Environment Group and our intention of being an eco-friendly church.

Day 24

In our university, we pray for Cambridge Enterprise, the Office for Development and Alumni Relations, the Office of External Affairs and Communications, Pembroke College and Churchill College.

In our city, we pray for the Conservators of the River Cam.

In our church, we pray for our Pastoral Committee and all who share in pastoral ministry.

Day 25

In our university, we pray for the Institute of Continuing Education, the University Careers Service, the Gates Trust, Gonville and Caius College, St Catharine's College and Christ's College.

In our city, we pray for those who provide our bus, rail and taxi services.

In our church, we pray for the Society of Cambridge Youths, the Tower Captain and the Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers.

Day 26

In our university, we pray for the Academic, Estate, Legal Services, Management, Finance, Governance and Compliance, and Human Resources Divisions.

In our city, we pray for all tradespeople and those who work in planning and building control.

In our church, we pray for all who attend our daily worship, Wednesday lunches and Saturday breakfasts.

Day 27

In our university, we pray for the Health, Safety and Regulated Facilities Division and St John's College.

In our city, we pray for all who maintain our open spaces, parks, playgrounds and verges.

In our church, we pray for our Wider Concerns Committee and the generous support of local and overseas projects.

Day 28

In our university, we pray for the Botanic Garden, the ADC Theatre, Kettle's Yard and Darwin College.

In our city, we pray for all churches that are not part of the Church of England.

In our church, we pray for all members and leaders of home groups.

Day 29

In our university, we pray for Cambridge Students' Union, our patron, Trinity College, and Peterhouse.

In our city, we pray for Cambridge Central Mosque, the Abu Bakr Mosque and Cambridge Muslim College.

In our church, we pray for our Education Officer and volunteers.

Day 30

In our university, we pray for Ridley Hall, Westcott House and the Cambridge Theological Federation.

In our city, we pray for the Beth Shalom Reform Synagogue and the Cambridge Traditional Jewish Congregation.

We pray for the pupils, staff and governors of Park Street School.

Day 31

In our university, we pray for Cambridge University Press and Assessment.

In our city, we pray for all who work in our swimming pools, gyms and sports and leisure centres.

In our parish, we pray for the council and college workers who maintain our churchyards.



View from the Tower of Great Saint Mary's

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College dedications, founders and foundations

7 October: Dame Rosemary Murray, joint dedication of Murray Edwards College (2004)

16 October: Foundation of Girton College (1869)

4 November: Lady Elizabeth de Clare, founder of Clare College (1360)

20 November: St Edmund, dedication of St Edmund's College

25 November: St Catharine of Alexandria, dedication of St Catharine's College

6 December: St Nicholas, dedication of King's College

19 December: Elizabeth Hughes, dedication of Hughes Hall (1925)

24 December: Foundation of Pembroke College (1347)

25 December: Christ's College

27 December: St John the Evangelist, dedication of St John's College

10 January: Sir David Robinson, founder of Robinson College (1987)

24 January: Sir Winston Churchill, founder of Churchill College (1965)

9 March: Countess Frances Sidney, founder of Sidney Sussex College (1589)

25 March: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, dedication of Gonville and Caius College

11 April: Bishop George Selwyn, dedication of Selwyn College (1878)

22 April: Lady Lucy Cavendish, dedication of Lucy Cavendish College (1925)

29 June: St Peter, dedication of Peterhouse

20 July: St Margaret, joint dedication of Queens' College

22 July: St Mary Magdalen, dedication of Magdalene College

28 July: Foundation of Darwin College (1964)

13 August: St Radegund, joint dedication of Jesus College

8 September: The Blessed Virgin Mary, joint dedication of Corpus Christi College

29 September: St Michael, joint dedication of Trinity College

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