

Seven Towers Benefice *Monthly Prayer Diary*

1st Rev'd Suzanne Skepper, our Rector, Rev'd Philippa Donald, our Associate Priest, in their ministries in the parishes and across the Benefice: their husbands, Chris and Ian, and their families.

2nd The life and worship of Sandhurst church; Churchwardens Carolyn Wright and Jim Brown, and all the members of the Sandhurst PCC; Secretary and Treasurer; all those who use the church hall; those who worship at the church, and all who live in the village.

3rd Canon David Godwin; Rod Pellerau, our Reader, in their ministries in the parishes and across the Benefice.

4th The life and worship of Down Hatherley church; Churchwardens Ellie Stevenson and Andy Nicol and all the members of the Down Hatherley PCC; Secretary and Treasurer; all who use the village hall; those who worship at the church and all who live in the village.

5th Norton Nippers playgroup and all who run it; the children who attend; their parents and families.

6th Families who bring their children for baptism in our churches; couples who are married here and those who hold a funeral for a loved one.

7th The life and worship of Norton church; Churchwardens Jean Smith and Simon Trapnell and all the members of the Norton PCC, Secretary and Treasurer: those who use the village hall; those who worship at the church and all those who live in the village.

8th Sidespeople, deacons, readers, intercessors, servers; those who assist with the Eucharist; those who provide refreshments after our service in all the parishes in the Benefice.

9th The members of our LMT and their ministry across the Benefice. The Worship Together group, who plan and lead our second Sunday services in the Benefice. The pastoral team.

10th The life and worship of Staverton and Boddington churches; churchwardens Edmund McClure and Rob Buckland; all the members of the PCC; secretary and treasurer; those who worship at the church and all who live in the villages.

11th For all social groups which meet for fun and friendship across the Benefice.

12th For all the other churches in the Severn Vale Deanery; Simon Mason, our Area Dean and Sue Padfield, our Lay Chair.

13th For Chris Baldwin, our Magazine Editor, and all who contribute to the contents of the magazine, all who help to distribute it and all who read it.

14th For BSAG (Benefice Structure Advisory Group) and Simon, the Chair of the group, as they seek God's way forward for our Benefice.

15th For the ministry of Messy church; those that prepare the sessions; those who lead it and all the children and families who attend.

16th For the partnership Dioceses with our Diocese of Gloucester; Karnataka Central in India and Bishop Prasana Samuel; Vasteras in Sweden and Bishop Mikael; El Camino Real in the USA and Bishop Mary; and Western Tanganyika in Africa and Bishop Sadock.

17th For all our musicians; organists at each of our churches and the Benefice worship group; our bellringers. Our Benefice Choir.

18th For all who visit our churches, that they may know God's presence and his love in all our places of worship.

19th For Norton C of E school; Jane Farren the Head teacher; Governors; all the teaching staff and other staff and all the children who attend, and their families.

20th For all who clean our churches, flower arrangers, and churchyard working parties.

21st The life and worship of The Leigh church; churchwarden Sue Roberts and all the members of the PCC; secretary and treasurer; those who worship at the church and all who live in the village.

22nd For the members of SCUB for wisdom and unity of vision. For Simon, the Chair of the group.

23rd For Hilary Dawson, our new Archdeacon, and Rachel Treweek, our Bishop, in their ministries the Diocese, and for Robert Springett, Bishop of Tewkesbury, and Archdeacon Phil, in Cheltenham.

24th For all our farming communities and families; our local shops and businesses.

25th The life and worship of Twigworth church; churchwarden Chris Baldwin, all the members of the PCC; secretary and treasurer; those who worship at the church and all those who live in the village. For the future of the church.

26th For all those we know who are suffering in mind, body or spirit; those who are lonely or bereaved; housebound, in hospital or care homes, or nearing the end of their lives.

27th For those attending Ladies' and Mens' breakfasts, Friendly Fridays, our home groups, and seasonal courses.

28th Members of the Open the Book team and the ministry of Open the Book at Norton school.

29th For those who work in the caring professions – Katie McClure, chaplain at Cheltenham hospital; our local doctors, nurses, dentists and home carers; police and firemen.

30th For Nature in Art – Simon Trapnell and all who work there and all who visit.

31st As led by God!

