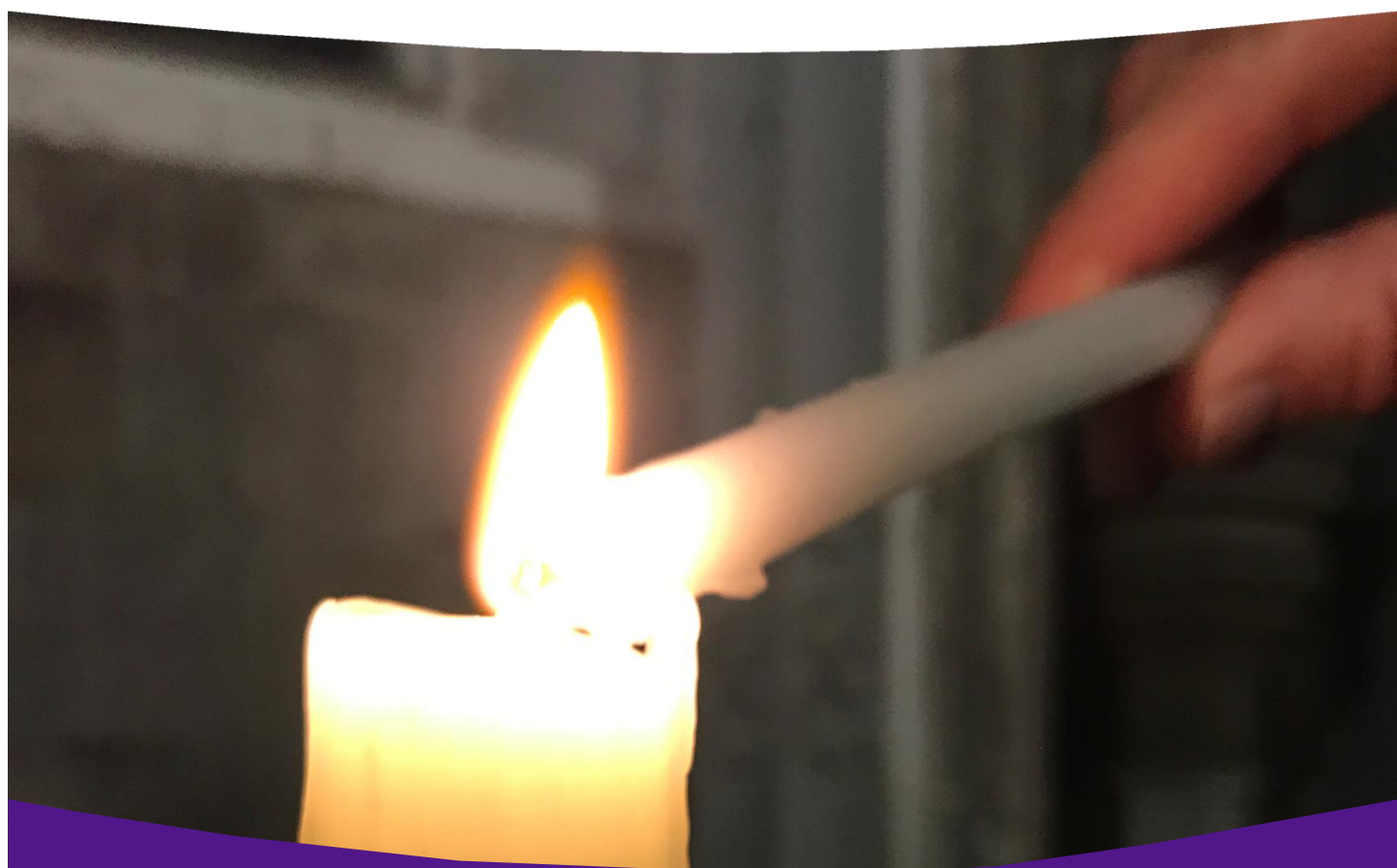




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Prayer Diary
July to September 2020

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God who in Jesus calls us -
open hearts and minds to your invitation.
God of the pilgrim way - be our companion day by day.
God of the still, small voice - teach us to pray.
Grant that in our calling, our following, our pilgrimage, we may see your
kingdom of truth and peace -
and delight to bring others to your love.
We make this prayer through Jesus, the Lord.
(The "Follow" Prayer)

God of generosity, whose Son Jesus gathers us as one
around the table of rejoicing; be with us as we gather in his name.
Give us hope, encouragement, unity, expectancy,
and by our time together, draw us closer to one another and to you.
We make this prayer through Jesus,
the Lord.
(The "Gather" Prayer)

O come, O Holy Spirit:
come as holy fire and burn in us.
Come as holy wind and cleanse us.
Come as holy light and lead us.
Come as holy truth and teach us.
Come as holy forgiveness and free us.
Come as holy love and enfold us.
Come as holy life and dwell in us.

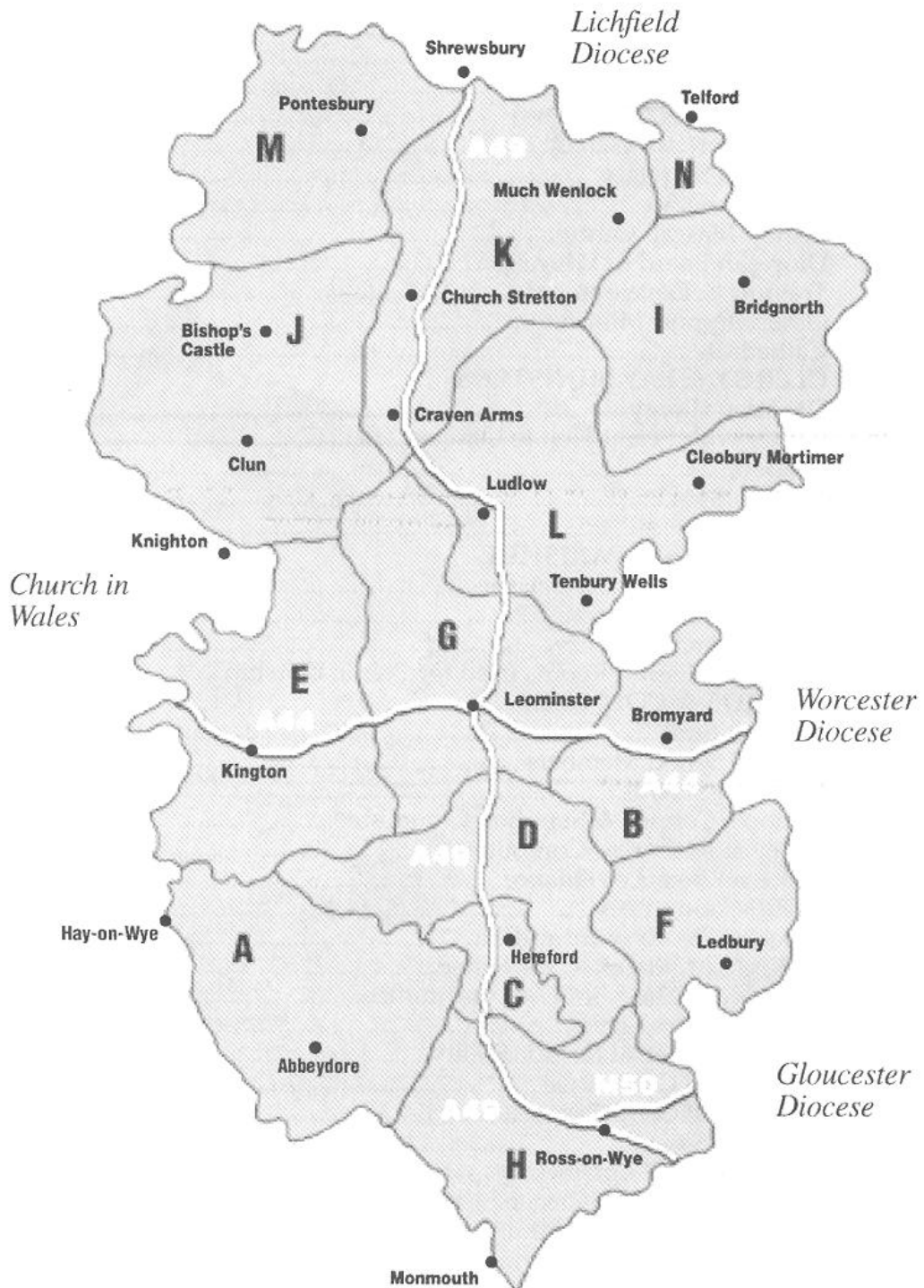
Hereford Archdeaconry

The Deaneries

- A Abbeydore
- B Bromyard
- C & D Hereford
- E Kington & Weobley
- F Ledbury
- G Leominster
- H Ross & Archenfield

Ludlow Archdeaconry

- I Bridgnorth
- J Clun Forest
- K Conover
- L Ludlow
- M Pontesbury
- N Telford Severn Gorge



The Prayer Diary - July to September 2020

The main part of this Prayer Diary covers the quarter from Sunday 28th June to Saturday 26th September, week by week, under the following headings:

- **Anglican** - Biddings for each day taken from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer (adapted and updated where possible), so that we are praying with the Anglican Church round the world.
- **Hereford** - Again, a bidding for each day: each quarter these will feature half of our deaneries and parishes, along with diocesan organisations, areas of work, and officers;
- **Porvoo** - This weekly bidding pairs the Lutheran churches of the Nordic and Baltic areas and the Anglican churches of the British Isles and of Spain and Portugal, which have signed the Porvoo Declaration recognising each others' ministries. Also included is the Latvian Church, which has not yet taken a decision on signing the Declaration, and the Church of Denmark, which has not signed but wishes to develop links with the churches which have signed;
- **The Wider View** - Biddings and promptings for prayer relating to world mission and development, including our own World Church links, among them our companion links with the Kirchenkreis Nürnberg in Germany, and the Tanzanian dioceses of Tanga, Dar es Salaam, Masasi and Newala;
- **This Week** - Focuses for prayer during the week, on themes and issues in healthcare, the community, education and the changing seasons, along with events, meetings, and activities within our Diocese and perhaps more widely.
- **Prayer** - A prayer or reflection appropriate to the week.

Please send entries for the next edition which covers the quarter October to December 2020 to me at wkrowell@btinternet.com - clearly marked in the subject area as Prayer Diary. The more I know about events and activities, the more accurate and focused our prayer biddings can be. Please also let me know if you spot any mistakes or omissions - they do happen, alas, but I do my best to make sure this Diary is as accurate as possible!

You may find the following explanation of the initials used helpful:

MAP	-	Mission Action Plan
LMC	-	Ludlow Mascall Centre (formerly BMC)
CMD	-	Continuing Ministerial Development
CGH	-	Cuddeston in Gloucester & Hereford (formerly WEMTC)
IMD	-	Initial Ministerial Development
DAC	-	Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches
DDVO	-	Diocesan Director of Vocations and Ordinands
PAT	-	Post Admission Training for Readers
MDO	-	Mission (MAP) Development Officer
IM	-	Intergenerational Missioner

SUNDAY 28th June: 3rd after Trinity Proper 8	
Anglican	The United Church of North India - Moderator: The Most Revd Dr Prem Chand Singh.
Hereford	<i>The Abbeydore Deanery</i> : Rural Dean – Nicholas Lowton; Lay Co-Chair – Philip Wilcocks; Sub-Warden of Readers – Vacant. <i>Rural Pioneer Priests</i> serving across the Deanery: Nicholas Lowton, Mark Godson, Simon Lockett, Hilary Morgan, Luci Morriss.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : Lincoln - Bishop Christopher Lowson, Bishop David Court, Bishop Nicholas Chamberlain; <i>Sweden</i> : Härnösand - Bishop Eva Nordung Byström; <i>Finland</i> : Lappo - Bishop Simo Peura.
The Wider View	Hereford has many links with Tanzania; currently it is difficult to find the truth about the situation there with Covid 19. The country has reported very few cases and deaths, but this is far from the truth. Pray for strong, open and honest leadership in Tanzania.
This Week	<p>Pray for those who would have been ordained deacon or priest, in this and other dioceses, at this time of year. Ordinations have been provisionally postponed until September; meanwhile those who would have been deaconed will be licensed as lay workers next Sunday (see next week's biddings for names and parishes).</p> <p>This week honours Peter and Paul, and also Thomas: pray the Church today may be faithful to their example of faith and service, in word and deed ready to proclaim Christ as Lord.</p> <p>This is Children's Art Week - give thanks for all that encourages art and creativity in children. Pray too for our schools: for those children (for example in our Welsh schools) that are returning to school this week for the first time since lockdown, and for school staff and governing bodies working to ensure children can return to school safely when the new school year begins.</p> <p>This week also begins "Plastic Free July". Single-use plastics have actually been an important part of the battle against Covid 19, but in general we do still need to look to reduce our use of them. Pray we may become more aware of alternatives to single-use plastics, and more ready to use them.</p> <p>The charity "A Child of Mine" is sponsoring Friday of this week as National Bereaved Parents Day. Pray for all who have lost a child - whatever the age or circumstance - and for all who offer care and support, and a listening ear.</p>
Monday 29th June: Peter and Paul, Apostles (or Peter, Apostle)	
Anglican	<p>North Dakota (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Keith Whitmore, assisting bishop during the episcopal vacancy.</p> <p>Athabasca (Canada) - The Rt Revd David Greenwood.</p> <p>Juba (South Sudan) - The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama.</p>
Hereford	<i>Black Mountains Group</i> - Clodock & Longtown with Craswall, Llanveynoe, St Margaret's, Michaelchurch Escley & Newton: Nicholas Lowton, Sam Ashton; Longtown Primary School; Michaelchurch Escley Primary School.

Tuesday 30th June	
Anglican	North East India (North India) - The Rt Revd Michael Herenz. Atlanta (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Robert Wright. Kabba (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Steven Akobe.
Hereford	Ewyas Harold & Dulas, with Abbeydore, Bacton, Kentchurch, Llangua, Rowlestone & Llancillo, Walterstone, Kilpeck, St Devereux & Wormbridge: Mark Godson; Frank Rodgers, Bob Bates; Reader – Diane Bates; Local Ministry Team; Ewyas Harold Primary School.
Wednesday 1st July: Henry, John and Henry Venn, priests, evangelical divines	
Anglican	North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba (West Indies) - The Rt Revd L. Errol Brooks. Attooch (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Moses Anur Ayom.
Hereford	<i>Cagebrook</i> - Kingstone with Clehonger, Eaton Bishop, Allensmore and Thruxton: Hilary Morgan, Ann Hitchiner, Michael Westall; Kingstone High School; Clehonger CE Primary School, Kingstone & Thruxton Primary School.
Thursday 2nd July	
Anglican	North Karamoja (Uganda) - The Rt Revd James Nasak. Auckland (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) - The Rt Revd Ross Bay. Magwi (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Ogeno Charles Opoka.
Hereford	<i>Wye Dore</i> - Madley with Tyberton, Peterchurch, Vowchurch & Turnastone: Simon Lockett, Judy Dinnen
Friday 3rd July: Thomas, apostle	
Anglican	North Kigezi (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Benon Magezi. Aweil (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Abraham Yel Nhial.
Hereford	<i>Wye Dore Ministry Team</i> – Simon Lockett, Brenda Stokes, Judy Dinnen, Julie Lunn, Sam Morgan, Helen Byard, Joy Rickwood, Lyn Garwood, Barbara Llewellyn-Samuel, Jane Hirst; Fairfield High School, Peterchurch; Madley Primary School; Peterchurch Primary School.
Saturday 4th July:	
Anglican	North Mbale (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Samuel Gidudu. Awerial (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd David Akau Kuol Mayom. Kadugli & Nuba Mountains (Sudan) - The Rt Revd Andudu Adam Elnail.
Hereford	<i>Borderlink</i> – Blakemere, Bredwardine with Brobury, Clifford, Cusop, Dorstone, Hardwicke, Moccas & Preston-on-Wye: Luci Morriss, Jane Rogers, Sally Barnes, our benefice team of Lay Leaders, Messy Church and Clifford Primary School.
Prayer Prayers of the World-wide Church (adapted)	<p style="text-align: center;">Lord, we pray for all who minister in your name. Strengthen them in weakness, and direct them in all they do. Give them a spirit of power, a heart of love, and a mind fixed on you, that in all their work they may proclaim your glory and preach your word of salvation; so may the nations become your inheritance, and the ends of the earth the possession of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.</p>

SUNDAY 5th July: 4th after Trinity Proper 9	
Anglican	The United Church of Pakistan - Moderator: The Most Revd Humphrey Peters.
Hereford	Give thanks for all who pray regularly for others, and pray for the development of prayer and spirituality across our Diocese, so all that we plan and do is grounded in a prayerful and joyous commitment to God.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> St Albans - Bishop Alan Smith, Bishop Richard Atkinson, Bishop Michael Beasley; <i>Sweden:</i> Diocese of Linköping - Bishop Martin Modéus.
The Wider View	Give thanks for the supportive message from Bishop Ark Nitsche, and for the prayers of the Nuremberg Lutheran Church for us at the height of the Covid 19 pandemic. Pray also for the link between Hilpoltstein and Madley whose visit this summer has had to be cancelled because of the virus.
This Week	<p>Pray for those to be licensed today as lay ministers, to serve in the parishes to which they will be ordained as deacons in September: Jo Burden (West Hereford), Lawrence Gittins (Ludlow), Tiffany Jackson (Ross), Joe Simons (Cleobury Mortimer) and Katie Smith (Kingsland). Pray also for last year's deacons, who remain as deacons until the expected revised ordination date in September</p> <p>Diocesan Synod will not be meeting this week as previously scheduled, but our prayers are prompted for all officers and members of Synod and of the Board of Finance. Pray too that parishes have felt able to respond generously to the Parish Offer for 2021.</p> <p>GladtoCare Awareness Week this week celebrates the work of all who are involved in the care industry in the UK. Pray for those who staff our local care homes, and for residents. Pray especially that all may be protected and kept safe, in these stressful and difficult times.</p> <p>10th July is kept as "Don't Step on a Bee Day", and behind the quirky title is a serious message about the importance of bees and other pollinating insects to the health of our world. This has been a good year for bees so far - but pray we may take our local ecology seriously, and give thanks for initiatives like wild flower areas in churchyards.</p> <p>Many people in the area of our Diocese depend on the hospitality and tourist industries for their living. Pray for those whose jobs are no longer there, and also for those businesses looking to re-open, that they may be able to do so safely, and may receive the support they need to be viable.</p> <p>In this week that celebrates Benedict, pray for all who follow the Benedictine way today, including the community at Belmont Abbey.</p>
Monday 6th July: Thomas More, scholar, and John Fisher, bishop, martyrs	
Anglican	North Queensland (Australia) - The Rt Dr Keith Ronald Joseph. Awgu / Aninri (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Emmaunuel Ugwu. Kaduna (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Timothy Yahaya.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Pray for Sarah Whitelock, Communications Director, and for all involved in communicating our message and vision as a Diocese, and within and from our churches and deaneries, especially within the present crisis.

Tuesday 7th July	
Anglican	North West Australia (Australia) - The Rt Revd Gary Nelson. Awka (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Alexander Ibezim. Kafanchan (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Marcus Dogo.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Pray for those who help compile and produce this Prayer Diary, for the Facebook Prayer Station established by Archdeacon Derek, and all that resources us in prayer for one another and for the world.
Wednesday 8th July	
Anglican	Northern Argentina (South America) - The Rt Revd Nick Drayson. Suffragan Bishops: The Rt Revd Mateo Alto, The Rt Revd Cristiano Rojas. Awori (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd J Akin Atere.
Hereford	<i>Health Chaplaincy:</i> Hospital Chaplaincy in Hereford County Hospital & the Wye Valley NHS Trust: Philip Roberts, chaplain, and the honorary chaplains and lay volunteers. Pray also for the RC Chaplain, Father Matthew Carney, and all who offer spiritual support to patients and families. Pray for support to Covid patients, and to staff working under immense pressure and risk.
Thursday 9th July	
Anglican	Northern California (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Megan Traquair. Badagry (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Joseph Adeyemi. Ballarat (Australia) - The Rt Revd Garry Weatherill.
Hereford	<i>Health Chaplaincy:</i> Pray for chaplaincy teams at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital, the Princess Royal Hospital, Telford, and other hospitals outside our Diocese but providing healthcare to our area; pray too for all who offer chaplaincy support in the smaller local hospitals within our Diocese.
Friday 10th July	
Anglican	Northern Indiana (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Douglas Sparks. Bangor (Wales) - The Rt Revd Andrew John.
Hereford	<i>Health Chaplaincy:</i> Chaplaincy at the 2gether NHS Foundation Trust, providing mental health and learning disability services in Herefordshire and Gloucestershire, including the Stonebow Unit in Hereford.
Saturday 11th July: Benedict, abbot	
Anglican	Northern Luzon (Philippines) - The Rt Revd Hilary Ayban Pasikan. Banks & Torres (Melanesia) - The Rt Revd Alfred Patterson Worek. Kagera (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Darlington Bendankeha.
Hereford	<i>Health Chaplaincy:</i> Keith Shaw CA, and all offering chaplaincy support within the South Staffordshire and Shropshire Foundation Trust offering mental health care within the northern part of our Diocese.
Prayer Benedict of Nursia	Gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to see you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate on you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY 12th July: 5th after Trinity Proper 10	
Anglican	The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea - Archbishop: The Most Revd Allan Migi.
Hereford	<i>The Bridgnorth Deanery</i> : Rural Dean: Mark Daborn; Lay Co-Chair: Martin Elcock; Sub-Warden of Readers: Garry Ward.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : Newcastle - Bishop Christine Hardman, Bishop Mark Tanner; <i>Norway</i> : Moere (Molde) - Bishop Ingeborg Midttoemme.
The Wider View	Muheza Hospital has had a link with Hereford County Hospital for over 30 years. Usually visitors from Muheza are welcomed to Hereford hospital each year, but the present situation prevents those chosen for this year from travelling here. Pray that work on developing an effective vaccine is successful and that travel becomes possible again for all our links.
This Week	<p>John Keble, remembered on Tuesday, published many poems that are still sung as hymns: pray for all who are inspired to express their faith in poetry and song, and for church musicians, choirs and singers, and community choirs, to a large extent silenced by the Covid 19 restrictions.</p> <p>Give thanks for the small shopkeepers of our Diocese, in villages or on urban street corners, who have played an important part in maintaining service and supply during the Covid lockdown, and pray for their continued support.</p> <p>17th July is kept as the Day for International Justice; too many in our world are denied free access to law and fair hearing, and we pray that the international community may work together to ensure high standards in justice and law, and for those who are victimised and discriminated against.</p> <p>Pray for all in our communities who are living with forms of mental illness. The present crisis has added to stress levels and made access to forms of help and support more difficult. Pray for all who seek to provide support, including family members and friends, social work staff, and community mental nurses.</p> <p>As churches re-open, albeit with restrictions, pray for all taking on new responsibilities for oversight and the cleanliness of our buildings.</p>
Monday 13th July	
Anglican	Kajiado (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Gadiel Katanga Lenini. Kajo-Keji (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Murye Modi. Kamango (Congo) - The Rt Revd Sabiti Tibafa Daniel.
Hereford	Alveley and Quatt: Neil Dunlop; Clergy with PTO: Ruth Sims, Wendy Rylance; Readers: Barrie Jenkins, Sue Chidwick; Alveley Primary School.
Tuesday 14th July: John Keble, priest and poet	
Anglican	Northern Malawi (Central Africa) - The Rt Revd Fanuel Emmanuel Magangani. Barbados (West Indies) - The Rt Revd Michael Maxwell. Kampala (Uganda) - The Most Revd Dr Stephen Samuel Kaziimba Mugalu; Assistant Bishop - The Rt Revd Hannington Mutebi.
Hereford	<i>Brown Clee Group</i> : Ditton Priors, Chetton, Neenton, Burwarton with Cleobury North, Aston Botterell, Wheathill & Loughton: Terry Mason; Reader: Dorothy Cartwright; Local Ministry Group: Bobbie Jarvis, Catherine Price, Carole Smith,

	Mike Teague, Marjorie Jones; Brown Clee C E Primary School.
Wednesday 15th July: Swithun, bishop; <i>Bonaventure, friar and bishop</i>	
Anglican	Northern Mexico (Mexico) - The Most Revd Francisco Moreno. Bari (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Idris Zubairu.
Hereford	Stottesdon with Farlow, Cleeton St Mary, Silvington, Sidbury & Middleton Scriven: Mark Daborn; Reader-in-training: Alex Daborn; Farlow CE Primary School; Stottesdon CE Primary School.
Thursday 16th July: <i>Osmund, bishop</i>	
Anglican	Northern Michigan (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Rayford Ray. Barisal (Bangladesh) - The Rt Revd Shourabh Pholia. Barrackpore (North India) - The Rt Revd Paritosh Canning.
Hereford	<i>Bridgnorth and Morville Parishes Team Ministry:</i> Bridgnorth with Tasley, Astley Abbotts, Oldbury & Quatford, Morville, Aston Eyre, Acton Round and Monkhopton: Simon Cawdell, Team Vicar Sarah Cawdell, Associate Minister Marjorie Brooks; Curates: Clive Munday, Tom King; Reader: Jane Peeler; Intergenerational Missioner: Kate King; Clergy with PTO: David Chantrey, Clive Parr, Hugh Patterson, John Webb; Reader with PTO: Sheila Hodgkins;. Local Ministry Team: Clergy with Kay Prior, Sheila Royle, Sandie Phillips; Children, Families and Education Co-ordinator: Emma Lambert. Bridgnorth Endowed School, Oldbury Wells School, Castlefields Primary School, St Leonards CE Primary School, St Mary's Bluecoat CE Primary School, Morville CE Primary School, St John's Catholic Primary School; Bridgnorth & S Shropshire Infirmary.
Friday 17th July	
Anglican	Northern Philippines (Philippines) - The Rt Revd Brent Alawas. Bath & Wells (England) - The Rt Revd Peter Hancock; Suffragan Bishop - The Rt Revd Ruth Worsley (Taunton).
Hereford	Claverley with Tuck Hill: Garry Ward; Reader: Colin Bailey; Claverley CE Primary School.
Saturday 18th July: <i>Elizabeth Ferard, deaconess, founder of the Community of St Andrew</i>	
Anglican	Northern Territory, The (Australia) - The Rt Revd Dr Greg Anderson. Bathurst (Australia) - The Rt Revd Mark Calder. Kano (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Zakka Nyam.
Hereford	Pray for the churches of other denominations within the area of our Diocese, and for the many ways in which we can and do co-operate in mission and service. Pray for small chapel communities struggling to keep going, and also for those originally of other denominations who worship regularly in our churches, particularly in our smaller communities.
Prayer John Keble	Two worlds are ours; 'tis only sin forbids us to descry the mystic heaven and earth within, plain as the sea and sky. Thou, who has given me eyes to see and love this sight so fair, give me a heart to find out thee, and read thee everywhere.

SUNDAY 19th July: 6th after Trinity Proper 11	
Anglican	The Episcopal Church in the Philippines - Prime Bishop: The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao.
Hereford	Pray for the Intergenerational Ministers working throughout our Diocese, and for in our parishes all who plan and lead family worship, cafe-style church, Messy Church, Open the Book, and all other outreach to families, schools, playgroups and community activities involving young people.
Porvoo	<i>Sweden:</i> Skara - Bishop Åke Bonnier; <i>England:</i> Leeds - Bishop Nick Baines, Bishop Tony Robinson, Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop Toby Howarth, Bishop Jonathan Gibbs, Bishop Paul Slater.
The Wider View	Pray for Lizzie Hackney and the team of Intergenerational Missioners as they explore how new contacts with younger people in Nuremberg can be developed, and for the Zoom Taizé events being organised by the IGM Team at the end of July, for people in Nuremberg and Hereford to share.
This Week	<p>The feast day of Mary Magdalene this week prompts prayer for all those who believe that their past mistakes or misdeeds disqualify them from God's favour. Pray for a Church that is active among those who are lost and lonely, or find themselves rejected and shunned.</p> <p>This week also celebrates James, son of Zebedee, whose supposed resting place at Compostela remains a significant pilgrim destination. At a time when actual pilgrimages are all but impossible, pray that the spirit of pilgrimage and of taking time apart from the world may remain a mark of our Christian living, recognising the need to test ourselves, and to be still before God, waiting on his word.</p> <p>The DAC was due to meet this week - pray for all involved in the care and conservation and development of our church buildings, and that we may balance our care for them as monuments to the past with our need to use them well now as tools for mission and service and places of joyful worship.</p> <p>Samaritans Awareness Day this Friday prompts prayer for all that this organisation does, founded by Revd Chad Varah at St Stephen's Walbrook. May we take thought too for those who have reached a point of such desperation that they feel life cannot continue, and give thanks that there are those whose patience and readiness just to be there can help them through. May the important work of the Samaritans be generously supported.</p> <p>National Marine Week begins on Saturday 25th, promoted by the Wildlife Trusts and providing another opportunity to reflect on the state of health of our planet, of which one important indicator is the wellbeing of our seas.</p>
Monday 20th July: Margaret of Antioch, martyr; Bartolomé de las Casas, apostle to the Indies	
Anglican	Northern Uganda (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Johnson Gakumba. Bauchi (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Musa Tula. Kansas (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Cathleen Bascom.
Hereford	Highley with Billingsley, Glazeley & Deuxhill, Chelmarsh: Mike Harris; Associate Ministers: Val Smith, Rosemary Lawley (PTO); SSM Curates: David

	Poyner, Mary Nelson; Reader: Mary Rayner; Readers with PTO: Elizabeth Smith, Keith Smith, Ruth Honeybourne; Highley Community Primary School.
Tuesday 21st July	
Anglican	Northern Zambia (Central Africa) - The Most Revd Albert Chama. Belize (West Indies) - The Rt Revd Philip Wright. Kanyakumari (South India) - The Rt Revd Dr A R Chelliah.
Hereford	Worfield: Jeannetta Stokes; Worfield Endowed CE Primary School.
Wednesday 22nd July: Mary Magdalene	
Anglican	Northwest Ankole (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Amos Magezi. Bendigo (Australia) - The Rt Revd Matt Brain.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Elizabeth Hackney, Lead Intergenerational Missioner, and Kathy Bland, Intergenerational Church Enabler, and all who work with them, particularly the Intergenerational Missioners at work in many places across our Diocese.
Thursday 23rd July: Bridget, abbess	
Anglican	Northwest Texas (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Scott Mayer. Benin (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Peter Imasuen. Bermuda (extra-provincial) - The Rt Revd Nicholas Dill.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Karilyn Collins, advising on partnership and development issues, and encouraging awareness of development needs and opportunities worldwide.
Friday 24th July	
Anglican	Northwestern Pennsylvania (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Sean Rowe. Bethlehem (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Kevin Nichols.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry:</i> Pray for all that is done to ensure awareness and good practice on disability issues across our churches, and for Revd Garry Ward as Diocesan Disability Adviser.
Saturday 25th July: James, apostle	
Anglican	Norwich (England) - The Rt Revd Graham Usher; Suffragan Bishops - The Rt Revd Alan Winton (Thetford), The Rt Revd Jonathan Meyrick (Lynn). Bhopal (North India) - The Rt Revd Manoj Charan. Kapoeta (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Isaac Deu Chol.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Hospice chaplaincy - Jill Groves, chaplain at St Michael's Hospice, Bartestree; also those who provide chaplaincy at the Severn Hospice in Shrewsbury, Telford and Newtown, serving the north of the Diocese.
Prayer Timothy Dudley-Smith	<p>Father, we pray for those who are mentally ill, for all who are of a disturbed and troubled mind. Be to them light in their darkness, their refuge and strength in time of fear. Give special skills and tender hearts to all who care for them, and show them how best to assist your work of healing; through Jesus Christ our Lord.</p>

SUNDAY 26th July: 7th after Trinity Proper 12	
Anglican	We would have been praying today for the Lambeth Conference, which has of course been postponed due to Covid 19. Please pray for the organising team as they consider the implications of this and continue their work.
Hereford	<i>The Bromyard Deanery</i> : Acting Rural Dean – Steven Baggs; Lay Co-Chair – Brenda Allan.
Porvoo	<i>Lithuania</i> : Bishop Mindaugas Sabutis; <i>Ireland</i> : Derry and Raphoe - Bishop Andrew Foster.
The Wider View	Dar es Salaam and Zanzibar are centres of Covid 19 infection in Tanzania, and hospitals are overwhelmed while many more patients are dying at home. Pray for all those who receive no medical help and no relief of symptoms; pray too for the many bereaved families, both in Tanzania and world wide.
This Week	<p>Brooke Foss Westcott was significant in leading a revival in Biblical study in this country: pray for all who continue this work today, and for all involved in the training of ordinands and other candidates for ministry.</p> <p>The day of Mary, Martha and Lazarus (this Wednesday) prompts prayer for the Society of Mary and Martha at Sheldon (Devon), providing support, refuge and a place of recuperation for clergy and other ministers, especially at times of stress.</p> <p>Wilberforce, Equiano and Clarkson (Thursday) were significant voices in the campaign to end the transatlantic slave trade and indeed to rid the world of slavery. Recent events have demonstrated that racist attitudes still persist, and sadly slavery does too. Pray the Church may be a leading voice in the ongoing campaign for true and complete equality. 30th July is also the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons.</p> <p>Lammas Day (“Loaf Mass”) was the Harvest celebration before the “Harvest Home” was brought into church by Parson Hawker. This week it prompts us to pray for our local farmers and fruit-growers, especially where there’s a struggle to find enough workers to help bring in this year’s harvest.</p>
Monday 27th July: Brooke Foss Westcott, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island (Canada) - The Most Revd Ron Cutler). Bida (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Jonah Kolo. Karachi (Pakistan) - The Rt Revd Sadiq Daniel.
Hereford	<i>Frome Valley Group</i> – Bishop’s Frome with Castle Frome, Frome’s Hill, Acton Beauchamp, Evesbatch, Stanford Bishop, Much Cowarne, Ocle Pychard: Steven Baggs, Richard Allaway; Burley Gate CE Primary School; Burley Gate Pre-School.
Tuesday 28th July	
Anglican	Nsukka (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Aloysius Agbo. Biharamulo (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Yusuph Vithalis. Karamoja (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Joseph Abura.
Hereford	Bromyard and Stoke Lacy: Clive Evans, Kina Robertshaw; Reader Emeritus - Pam Binyon; Queen Elizabeth Humanities College Bromyard, Brockhampton

	Primary School; St Peter's Primary School; Froome Bank Hospital; The HOPE Family Centre: Sarah Eardley, Centre Manager.
Wednesday 29th July: Mary, Martha and Lazarus, companions of our Lord	
Anglican	Nyahururu (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Stephen Kabora. Birmingham (England) - The Rt Revd David Urquhart; Suffragan Bishop - The Rt Revd Anne Hollinghurst (Aston).
Hereford	Bredenbury with Grendon Bishop and Wacton, Collington, Edwyn Ralph, Little Cowarne, Pencombe with Marston Stannett, Thornbury and Ullingswick: Elizabeth Sidwell, Mari Nowell, Bredenbury Primary School; Pencombe CE Primary School; Rowden House Special School.
Thursday 30th July: William Wilberforce, Olaudah Equiano, Thomas Clarkson <i>[see above]</i>	
Anglican	Nzara (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Richard Bbikoyesu Aquilla. Blackburn (England) - The Rt Revd Julian Henderson; Suffragan Bishops - The Rt Revd Philip North (Burnley), The Rt Revd Jill Duff (Lancaster). Bo (Sierra Leone) (West Africa) - The Rt Revd Solomon Scott-Manga.
Hereford	<i>Greater Whitbourne</i> – Edvin Loach with Tedstone Delamere, Tedstone Wafer, Upper Sapey, Wolferlow & Whitbourne: Dawn Hyett (Interim Minister), Doiran Williams, Local Ministry Development Group.
Friday 31st July: <i>Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus</i>	
Anglican	Missionary District of Oeste-Brasil (Brazil) - The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes. Boga (Congo) - The Rt Revd Mugenyi William Bahemuka. Port Elizabeth (Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Edward Ronald Daniels.
Hereford	<i>Archdeacons:</i> Pray for Derek Chedzey; also for Simon Cawdell and Stephanie Fountain, who are acting as Assistant Archdeacons in Ludlow Archdeaconry during the vacancy there.
Saturday 1st August: <i>Lammas Day</i>	
Anglican	Offa (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Dr Solomon Olusola Akambi. Bolivia (South America) - The Rt Revd Raphael Samuel. Karimnagar (South India) - The Rt Revd Reuben Mark.
Hereford	<i>Rural Deans, Lay Co-Chairs and Deanery officers:</i> Pray for all who serve our Diocese in this way, for those Deaneries facing pastoral change, seeking to develop ministry in new ways or needing to fill vacant ministerial posts. Pray also that we may offer effective support and care to clergy and others in often stressful ministry during the present time.
Prayer A Lammastide prayer	Almighty God, you have made heaven and earth and all that is in them: we pray you to bless the first-fruits of our harvest, and to multiply them abundantly. We pray for seasonable weather, that this year's harvest may be a plentiful one. Rejoicing in your gifts, may we offer our thanks to your divine Majesty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY 2nd August: 8th after Trinity <i>Proper 13</i>	
Anglican	Pray for the new Province of Alexandria, formed of the Dioceses of Egypt, North Africa, the Horn of Africa and Gambella.
Hereford	Pray for our Diocese in mission, and for effective outreach into each community. Pray for all that helps resource the local church and deanery in developing a strategy for mission, including help in training and planning.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Bristol - Bishop Vivienne Faull, Bishop Lee Rayfield; <i>Finland:</i> Helsinki - Bishop Teemu Laajasalo.
The Wider View	Pray for the newly formed palliative care teams in SE Tanzania who are struggling to provide help to Covid 19 patients in their hospitals, and have very inadequate PPE. Pray for their safety, and that of all health workers struggling to cope with insufficient personal protection.
This Week	<p>This Thursday marks the Feast of the Transfiguration. May we by faith come close to the glory of our Lord, and in our lives offer him the reverence and obedience that is his due.</p> <p>Over past weeks many people have been learning new skills, both those who have ensured that worship is offered - streamed, Zoomed, Youtubed - while church buildings have been closed, and those who have learned how to access and perhaps participate in this electronically delivered worship. Such services have reached more widely than our regular congregations in many cases - give thanks for what will surely be a new tool for mission.</p> <p>Playday, on Wednesday, celebrates all aspects of children's play, and would normally be marked with community play events, but obviously not this year, when the focus will be on children playing at home. Play is vital for healthy development and learning: pray for those children who are starved of opportunities for play.</p> <p>As well as the Transfiguration, Thursday 6th is also National Cycle to Work Day. The Covid 19 lock-down has prompted investment in improving cycle facilities in many places: pray that this improvement may be continued, so that where possible we may reduce our commitment to motor transport, and perhaps also be physically fitter!</p>
Monday 3rd August	
Anglican	Karnataka Central (South India) - The Rt Revd Prasana Kumar Samuel. Karnataka North (South India) - The Rt Revd Ravikumar J. Niranjana. Karnataka South (South India) - The Rt Revd Mohan Manoj.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> Dean – Michael Tavinor, and Residentiary Canons - Andrew Piper (Precentor), Christopher Pullin (Chancellor); Lay Canons of Chapter – Barry Forrester, Barbara Gratton and Nick Harvey Chapter Clerk and Chief Operating Officer – Chris Milton. Pray also for the maintenance and conservation of this great and important building.
Tuesday 4th August: <i>Jean-Baptiste Vianney, curé d'Ars, spiritual guide</i>	
Anglican	Ogbaru (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Dr Prosper Amah. Bondo (Kenya) - The Rt Revd David Kodia.

	Kasai - Mbujimayi (Congo) - vacant.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> Administrative staff - Liz Morawiecka, Alan Cartwright, Gill Atkins, Julie Anscomb, Lorraine Cave, Peter Challenger, Abigail Jones, Jess Stallwood; Vergers - Tim Pryse-Davies, Lyn Smith, Alex Reed, Aaron O'Sullivan. As the Cathedral re-opens, pray for the safety of staff and visitors.
Wednesday 5th August: Oswald, king and martyr	
Anglican	Ogbia (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd James Oruwori. Bor (South Sudan) - The Most Revd Ruben Akurdid Ngong. Umzimvubu (Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Tsietsi Seleoane.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> Geraint Bowen, Organist and Director of Music; Peter Dyke, Assistant Director of Music; Timothy Symons, Music and Liturgy Administrator; choristers, and all who support the music of the Cathedral. Pray also for the Cathedral bell ringers.
Thursday 6th August: The Transfiguration of our Lord	
Anglican	Ogbomoso (Nigeria) - vacant. Botswana (Central Africa) - The Rt Revd Metlha Beleme. Brandon (Canada) - The Rt Revd William Cliff.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> The commercial operations of the Cathedral, work with schools and children, the Mappa Mundi exhibition, library and archives; also the Cathedral Friends and the Perpetual Trust. Give thanks for the volunteers who in normal times welcome visitors to the Cathedral and its exhibitions.
Friday 7th August: John Mason Neale, hymn writer and translator	
Anglican	Ogoni (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Solomon Gberegbara. Brasilia (Brazil) - The Rt Revd Maurício Jose Araujo De Andrade. Brazzaville (Congo) - The Rt Revd Molanga Jean Botola.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> Hereford Cathedral School – Paul Smith, headmaster; Hereford Cathedral Junior School – Chris Wright, headmaster.
Saturday 8th August: Dominic, priest and founder of the Order of Preachers	
Anglican	Ogori-Magongo (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Festus Davies. Breachin (Scotland) - The Rt Revd Andrew Swift. Katakwa (Kenya) - The Rt Revd John Okude Omuse.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Cathedral:</i> Pam Row, Cathedral Chaplain, and all who share in the worship of the Cathedral; also the Ecumenical Companions: Brigitte Malik (Lutheran), Steve Faber (URC), Steve Sully (Challenge Community Church), Fr Simon McGurk (RC).
Prayer Latin VIth Cent tr John Mason Neale	<p>In prayer together let us fall, and cry for mercy, one and all, and weep before the Judge's feet, and his avenging wrath entreat.</p> <p>Thy grace have we offended sore, by sins, O God, which we deplore; but pour upon us from on high, O pardoning one, thy clemency.</p> <p>Remember thou, though frail we be, that yet thine handiwork are we; nor let the honour of thy name be by another put to shame.</p>

SUNDAY 9th August: 9th after Trinity Proper 14	
Anglican	The Province of Rwanda - Archbishop: The Most Revd Laurent Mbanda.
Hereford	<i>The Clun Forest Deanery</i> : Rural Dean – Stephanie Fountain; Lay Co-Chair – Andrew Wood; Treasurer - Sally Currin; Sub-Warden of Readers – Jonathan Kemp; Deanery Healing Adviser - Mary Hardham.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : Portsmouth - Bishop Christopher Foster; <i>Sweden</i> : Stockholm - Bishop Andreas Holmberg.
The Wider View	The situation in Israel and Palestine has been made more complicated by Covid 19. The closure of borders means medical practitioners, both doctors and nurses, have been unable to get to work in their hospitals in East Jerusalem. Pray for all who are currently prevented from fulfilling their professional commitments and bringing help to those who need it.
This Week	<p>Florence Nightingale is among those commemorated this week, reminding us to give thanks for the skill and dedication of doctors, nurses, health workers and carers over the past weeks of crisis. May those whose work has been of such crucial importance through this time be properly valued not only now but always. And pray that all those whose work brings them into situations of risk and danger be properly prepared and protected, and kept safe.</p> <p>Mary the Mother of Our Lord is commemorated on Saturday. May her humble and obedient faith be the mark of all the Church, as we give thanks for the one who declared herself to be the “Handmaid of the Lord”.</p> <p>Clare of Assisi is regarded as a patron of television, which may prompt prayer for all who work in the broadcast media, and for high standards in programme making and delivery, and in news reportage and comment. Pray too for the many people in this profession who have been left without work or income over the recent weeks.</p> <p>National Allotment Day on Monday prompts prayer for all who encourage in others a love of gardens and growing things; International Youth Day on Wednesday reminds us that young adults have been hardest hit by the Covid crisis as regards jobs. Pray also for those whose prospects and plans may have been hit by the cancellation of exams this year, and for universities some of which will be struggling to fill places.</p>
Monday 10th August: Laurence, deacon and martyr	
Anglican	Ohaji / Egbema (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Chidi Collins Oparaojiaku. Brisbane (Australia) - The Most Revd Phillip John Aspinall; Area Bishops - The Rt Revd Cameron Venables (Western Region), The Rt Revd John Roundhill (Southern Region), The Rt Revd Jeremy Greaves (Northern Region).
Hereford	<i>Ridgeway Group</i> - Bishop’s Castle with Mainstone, Lydbury North and Edgton, & Sarn: Stephanie Fountain; Readers – Cathy Owen, Sylvia Taylor; Benefice Administrator, – Cathy Owen; Retired Clergy - Graham Lloyd, Michael Plunkett, Richard Burn, Ian Ball, Kevin Skippon; LMDG - Angela Pooley; Community College, Bishop’s Castle; Bishop’s Castle Primary School; Lydbury North CE Primary School; Bishop's Castle Community Hospital.

Tuesday 11th August: Clare of Assisi, founder of the Poor Clares; <i>John Henry Newman, priest</i>	
Anglican	Ohio (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Mark Hollingsworth. Bristol (England) - The Rt Revd Vivienne Faull; Suffragan Bishop - The Rt Revd Lee Rayfield (Swindon). Katanga (Congo) - The Rt Revd Bertin Subi.
Hereford	<i>Middle Marches Group</i> - Bedstone, Bucknell, Chapel Lawn, Clungunford, Hopton Castle, Llanfair Waterdine, Stowe: Annie Ballard; Readers – Jonathan Kemp; Vision and Strategy Group: Pat Hancock, Jonathan Kemp, Richard Lewis, Maurice Moore, Margi Savery; St Mary's CE Primary School, Bucknell; Bedstone College.
Wednesday 12th August	
Anglican	Oji River (Nigeria) - The Most Revd Amos Amankechinelo Madu. British Columbia (Canada) - vacant.
Hereford	<i>Clun Valley Group</i> - Clun with Bettws y Crwyn, Newcastle, Clunton, Clunbury and Hopesay: vacant; Retired Clergy – Maurice Young, Robert Payne; Local Ministry Team – Sandra Davies, Pam Pittwood; Newcastle CE Primary School; St George's CE School, Clun; Clunbury Primary CE School.
Thursday 13th August: Jeremy Taylor, bishop; <i>Florence Nightingale, Octavia Hill</i>	
Anglican	Okene (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Onsachi. Buhiga (Burundi) - The Rt Revd Evariste Nijimbere. Bujumbura (Burundi) - The Rt Revd Eraste Bigirimana.
Hereford	<i>Onny Camlad Group</i> – Wentnor with Ratlinghope; Myndtown & Norbury, Lydham, More & Snead, Churchstoke & Hyssington: Vivienne Hatton; Carol Whittock (Mission Priest half-time); Retired Clergy – Michael Pollit, Michael Whittock; Reader - David Jelves; Onny Camlad Local Ministry Development Group: Carol Whittock, Margaret Wallsgrove, Anita Bright, Bob Berry, Shirley Jones. Churchstoke School; Norbury School.
Friday 14th August: <i>Maximilian Kolbe, friar and martyr</i>	
Anglican	Oke-Ogun (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Cornelius Adagbada. Bukavu (Congo) - The Rt Revd Sylvestre Bahati.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Wendy Coombey, working to support parishes in project development, and in the creative development and wider community use of church buildings, and Simon Whaley, Church Projects and Funding Support Assistant, giving initial advice on funding matters.
Saturday 15th August: The Blessed Virgin Mary	
Anglican	Oke-Osun (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Foluso Taiwo. Bukedi (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Samuel Egesa. Katsina (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Jonathan Bamaiyi.
Hereford	Stephen Challenger, Property Secretary and secretary to the DAC, Sophie Andrews, Property Admin Assistant, and Tim Bridges, Church Buildings Officer.
Prayer F Colquhoun	Lord, may we like Mary be always responsive to your word and submissive to your will, serving you with compassionate hearts and in pureness of mind, to the glory of your name.

SUNDAY 16th August: 10th after Trinity Proper 15	
Anglican	The Scottish Episcopal Church - Primus: The Most Revd Mark Strange.
Hereford	Pray for each of our towns, villages and smaller communities, giving thanks for the church's presence in even small and isolated communities, and praying for all that helps develop good and mutually supportive relationships between the local church and the wider community.
Porvoo	<i>Ireland:</i> Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh - Bishop Ferran Glenfield; <i>Denmark:</i> Aarhus - Bishop Henrik Wigh-Poulsen.
The Wider View	School children all over the world have had to remain home while schools are closed to limit the spread of Covid 19. In addition to the disruption in their education, this can place some children at risk of physical and sexual abuse or exploitation, especially in countries where there is little if any social welfare support. Pray for the children of the world who, although they do not suffer the physical impact of the disease as badly as older people, may well be suffering in many other ways.
This Week	<p>World Humanitarian Day, sponsored by the United Nations, is held each year on 19th August. It honours aid workers who risk their lives in humanitarian service, and seeks to rally support for people affected by crises around the world. While nations all around the world have been hit hard by Covid 19, for many nations this is just one in a series of disasters, including droughts, floods, storms, locust swarms and terrorist attacks. Give thanks for all who take thought and care and action for others, and pray for we may generously support what they do.</p> <p>Pray for those who have quietly got on with doing their jobs while much of the country has been shut down, among them postal workers, delivery drivers, those working in public transport, and those who empty our bins - and many more besides, whose work has ensured our safety and wellbeing. Pray also for our farmers and food producers - and retailers - and give thanks that supply chains and essential services have been maintained.</p> <p>Pray for those who are still self-isolating as other areas of community life and the economy begin to open up. Some have been instructed to self isolate because of medical conditions, while others perhaps feel too afraid to be among people again. Give thanks for all who help make sure they're all right. Pray for those whose operations or courses of treatment have been postponed while the crisis was at its height, and for medical staff as they try to clear the backlog of cases.</p>
Monday 17th August	
Anglican	Okigwe (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Edward Osuegbu. Okigwe North (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Godson Udochukwu Ukanwa. Okigwe South (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd David Onuoha. Kebbi (Nigeria) - The Most Revd Edmund Akanya.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Hilary Morgan, Chaplain for the Deaf, and the Deaf Church meeting at St Mary's, Grandstand Road, Hereford. Pray also for all that is done

	to enable ministry to deaf people, including training in sign language.
Tuesday 18th August	
Anglican	Okinawa (Japan) - The Rt Revd David Eisho Uehara. Bukuru (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Jwan Zhumbes.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> John Daniels, Local Ministry Officer, encouraging parishes and groups to consider Local Ministry, and facilitating debate, training and formation. (NB John is furloughed at the time of writing this).
Wednesday 19th August	
Anglican	Oklahoma (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Edward Konieczny; Coadjutor Bishop - The Rt Revd Poulson Reed. Bunbury (Australia) - The Rt Revd Dr Ian Coutts.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Amanda McPhee, Safeguarding Adviser, and all who work with her to provide training and resources, and to ensure high standards of safeguarding within our Diocese.
Thursday 20th August: Bernard, abbot; <i>William & Catherine Booth, Salvation Army</i>	
Anglican	Okrika (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Tubokosemie Aberé. Bungoma (Kenya) - The Revd George Mechumo.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and Mission:</i> Pray we may make effective use of all types of media in outreach, mission and worship. Pray for all who edit and produce church and community magazines and newsletters, and keep our church notice boards, websites and social media pages up to date, and for who are getting to grips with worship via Zoom, Youtube and the like.
Friday 21st August	
Anglican	Oleh (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd John Usiwoma Aruakpor. Bunyoro-Kitara (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Samuel Kahuma.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and Mission:</i> Life events: pray that we may offer a warm welcome and a generous and caring response to those who come to church to mark important times, happy or sad, in their lives, especially while we are limited by Covid restrictions in what we can do and offer. Pray for our outreach to those directly impacted by the disease.
Saturday 22nd August	
Anglican	Kentucky (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Terry White. Kericho (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Ernest Kiprotich Ng'eno. Khartoum (Sudan) - The Most Revd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and Mission:</i> Pray for our mission in each local situation; for effective engagement with the issues and opportunities identified through MAP's and in other ways, and for training, planning and prayer support.
Prayer Basil Naylor	God of love, giver of life and health, we pray for all who in their various callings serve the needs of men and women in sickness of body or mind. Equip them as your fellow workers in the ministry of healing, and strengthen them to share in the task of making life whole; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY 23rd August: 11th after Trinity Proper 16	
Anglican	The Church of the Province of South East Asia - Archbishop: The Most Revd Melter Tais.
Hereford	<i>The Condovery Deanery</i> : Rural Dean – Geoff Garrett; Lay Co-Chair – Janet Wilcoxon; Sub-Warden of Readers – Nancy Cleaton.
Porvoo	<i>Finland</i> : Espoo - Bishop Kaisamari Hintikka; <i>Scotland</i> : Edinburgh - Bishop John Armes.
The Wider View	The demonstrations that followed the death of George Floyd and other events since have highlighted the persistence of racist attitudes in many places. Pray for equality for all and an end to all discrimination by race, colour or creed.
This Week	<p>Bartholomew, whose day is tomorrow, according to legend travelled to Persia in the service of the Gospel, and was martyred there. Pray for all today whose Gospel service brings them into danger or disrepute, and for the Church where it faces persecution and opposition, or where it feels called to stand with those maltreated or denied justice.</p> <p>Augustine of Hippo, commemorated this Friday, took a long time to come to faith. One decisive factor in bringing him to faith was the constant prayer of his mother, Monica. Give thanks for all who pray for others, and may all the life of our churches be grounded in serious and sincere prayer.</p> <p>On Saturday we commemorate the Beheading of John the Baptist, and are reminded that he died because he spoke the truth without fear or favour, and without regard for the consequences. Pray for those who are bold in speaking against tyranny and the misuse of power wherever these things are found in today's world.</p> <p>Prayer for those who help run our local village and community halls, which have been mostly out of use through the past weeks. Pray for regular users to return, though some - choirs for example - may not for quite some time. Give thanks for the help provided to tide things over.</p> <p>As we move closer to the beginning of the new school year, continue to pray for those whose responsibility it is to ensure school buildings are ready, and to decide how they should be used.</p>
Monday 24th August: Bartholomew, apostle	
Anglican	Kibondo (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Sospeter Ndenza. Kigali (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Nathan Amooti Rusengo. Kigeme (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Assiel Musabyimana.
Hereford	Condovery with Ryton, Frodesley, Acton Burnell & Pitchford: Geoff Garrett; Readers – Raymond Evanson; Jeremy Lowe; Condovery CE Primary School.
Tuesday 25th August	
Anglican	Olo (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Tandema Obed. Busan (Korea) - The Most Revd Onesimus Dongsin Park. Kigezi (Uganda) - The Rt Revd George Bagamuhunda.
Hereford	Church Stretton with All Stretton and Little Stretton: Steve Johnson; Readers - Robert Rayner, Gillian Taylor; Children's Worker - Sarah Robinson; Youth Worker -

	Sally Clilverd; Church Stretton School; St Lawrence CE Primary School.
Wednesday 26th August	
Anglican	Olympia (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Gregory Rickel. Busoga (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Paul Moses Samson Naimanhye.
Hereford	<i>The Steeplewood Fold Group</i> - Dorrington with Leebotwood, Longnor, Stapleton, Smethcote & Woolstaston: Laura Dalton; Reader – Mike James; St Edward’s CE Primary School; Longnor CE Primary School.
Thursday 27th August: Monica, mother of Augustine of Hippo	
Anglican	Omu-Aran (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Philip Adeyemo. Butare (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Nathan Gasatura. Butere (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Timothy Wambunya.
Hereford	<i>The Apedale Group</i> - Hope Bowdler with Eaton-under-Heywood, Rushbury and Cardington: Sam Mann, Sue Jelleyman; Readers - Joy Kohn, Margaret Stratton; Rushbury CE Primary School.
Friday 28th August: Augustine of Hippo, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	On the Lake (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Chijioke Oti. Buye (Burundi) - The Rt Revd Sixbert Macumi.
Hereford	<i>The Craven Arms Group</i> – Stokesay with the Pilgrim Centre in Craven Arms, Halford with Sibdon, Acton Scott, & Wistanstow: vacant; Mervyn Williams; Local Ministry Team – David Ruck, Mervyn Williams, Carol Griffin, Carol Morris, Vanda Dawson, Margaret Semple; Stokesay Primary School; Wistanstow CE Primary School.
Saturday 29th August: The beheading of John the Baptist	
Anglican	On the Niger (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Owen Chidozie Nwokolo. Byumba (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Ngendahayo. Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh (Ireland) - The Rt Revd Ferran Glenfield.
Hereford	<i>Wenlock Team Ministry</i> – Much Wenlock with Bourton, Easthope, Stanton Long, Shipton; and Berrington with Betton Strange and Cross Houses, Church Preen, Cressage, Cound, Harley, Hughley, Kenley, Sheinton: Matthew Stafford, Alison Walker; Readers: Paul Trenberth; Reader Emeritus - Roy Cox, Trevor Hill; Associates David Janes; Family Breakfast Service Leaders - Jackie Birt, Jude Walker; Brockton CE Primary School; William Brookes School, Much Wenlock; Much Wenlock Primary School; Christ Church CE Primary School, Cressage; Church Preen Primary School.
Today	<i>Bishop Richard’s Prayer Pilgrimage</i> - Pray for today’s first day of the Pilgrimage, and for all who will meet and pray with Bishop Richard as he visits Abbeydore, Kington & Weobley, Leominster and Clun Forest Deaneries.
Prayer Christina Rossetti (adapted)	Lord Jesus, merciful and patient, give us grace always to teach in a teachable spirit, so that we learn alongside those we teach, and learn from them. Word of God, speak to us and speak by us; Wisdom of God, instruct us and instruct by us; Eternal Truth, reveal yourself in us; do all this according to your will, so then we ourselves and those we teach will all be taught by God.

SUNDAY 30th August: 12th after Trinity Proper 17	
Anglican	The United Church of South India - Moderator: The Most Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam.
Hereford	Pray for the care, conservation and creative use of our church buildings, as places of worship and fellowship, and as focal points within our local communities. Pray for their safe use, and those responsible for maintenance and care, during these testing times.
Porvoo	<i>Finland:</i> Turku - Archbishop Tapio Luoma, Bishop Kaarlo Kalliala; <i>England:</i> York - Archbishop Stephen Cottrell, Bishop Paul Ferguson, Bishop John Thomson, Bishop Alison White, Bishop Glyn Webster.
The Wider View	At the time of writing this diary tentative moves towards allowing more freedom of movement and the re-opening of the economy were taking place here and in many parts of the world. Pray this may be done safely, and that there is no second wave of Covid 19. Pray that a cure for the disease may be found and made available wherever it is needed.
This Week	<p>Sunday 30th is the International Day of the Disappeared, focusing attention on the many people in our world who are imprisoned without those close to them knowing where or why. Pray for all who are held unjustly and illegitimately, for their safety and their release.</p> <p>Aidan, whose day is Monday, was a gentle and humble man, a monk of Iona, who became the apostle to Northumbria and Bishop of Lindisfarne. May the Church today catch something of his simplicity of spirit and his awareness of the beauty of God within the rhythms of nature.</p> <p>Early missionaries to Papua New Guinea were martyred in the early years of the 20th Century, and then many more during the Japanese occupation of the Second World War. We give thanks for their witness, and pray for the Christians of that land today.</p> <p>Many different “awareness months” coincide in September. One focuses on Childhood Cancer - pray for children living with cancer, for their treatment and cure, and for parents and families; another looks at Alzheimer’s Disease - pray we may be dementia-aware and dementia-friendly, in our churches and elsewhere, and pray for all who are diagnosed with this particular form of dementia. Urology Awareness Month focuses on diseases that many find hard to cope with and embarrassing - pray for treatment and care.</p>
Monday 31st August: Aidan, bishop and missionary	
Anglican	Kimberley & Kuruman (Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Oswald Swartz. Kindu (Congo) - The Most Revd Zacharie Masimango Katanda. Kinkiizi (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Dan Zoreka.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Neil Patterson, Diocesan Director of Vocations and Ordinands. Pray for new vocations for ministry from our Diocese, and for those in training or preparing to begin; also for the assistant Directors of Ordinands.
Tuesday 1st September: Giles, hermit	
Anglican	Ondo (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Stephen Oni.

	Calabar (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Tunde Adeleye. Kinshasa (Congo) - The Rt Revd Achille Mutshindu.
Hereford	<i>Churches Together</i> and other areas of ecumenical co-operation - ways in which we can share fellowship, ideas, projects, training, worship and even buildings.
Wednesday 2nd September: Martyrs of Papua New Guinea	
Anglican	Ontario (Canada) - The Rt Revd Michael Oulton. Calcutta (North India) - The Rt Revd Probal Kanto Dutta.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Jane Davies, Dean of Women's Ministry, supporting women in ordained ministry and as accredited lay workers within the Diocese.
Thursday 3rd September: Gregory the Great, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Ogbomoso (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Titus Babatunde Olayinka. Caledonia (Canada) - The Rt Revd David TJ Lehmann. Calgary (Canada) - The Most Revd Gregory Kerr-Wilson.
Hereford	<i>Ministry:</i> Give thanks for the ministry of Self-Supporting Ministers (SSMs) and ministers with PTO within our Diocese.
Friday 4th September: Birinius, bishop	
Anglican	Oregon (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Michael Hanley. California (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Marc Andrus.
Hereford	<i>Ministry:</i> Pray for Lesley Eden, Retirement Officer for Ludlow Archdeaconry and Andrew Talbot-Ponsonby, Retirement Officer for Hereford Archdeaconry; also for Chris Fletcher and Nigella Tyson, Clergy Widows and Widowers Officers for the Hereford and Ludlow Archdeaconries, respectively.
Saturday 5th September	
Anglican	Orlu (Nigeria) - The Most Revd Bennett Okoro. Cameroon (West Africa) - The Rt Revd Dibo Thomas-Babyngton Elango. Kirinyaga (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Joseph Kibichwa.
Hereford	<i>Hereford Deanery: The Bartestree Cross Group</i> - Lugwardine with Bartestree, Weston Beggard & Dormington, Withington & Westhild: Simon Tarlton; Lugwardine Primary School; Withington Primary School; St Mary's RC High School.
Today	<i>Bishop Richard's Prayer Pilgrimage</i> - Pray for the pilgrimage continuing around the margins of our Diocese, and for all who will meet and pray with our Bishop today as he visits churches in the Pontesbury, Condoover, Telford Severn Gorge and Bridgnorth Deaneries.
Prayer From "The Cloud of Unknowing", XIVth Cent.	<p>You make what is ultimate and beyond brightness secretly to shine in all that is most dark. In your way, ever unseen and intangible, you fill to the full with most beautiful splendour those souls who close their eyes that they may see. And I, please, with love that goes on beyond mind to all that is beyond mind seek to gain such for myself through this prayer.</p>

SUNDAY 6th September: 13th after Trinity Proper 18	
Anglican	The Anglican Church of Southern Africa - Archbishop of Capetown & Primate: The Most Revd Thabo Makgoba.
Hereford	<i>The Hereford Deanery:</i> Rural Dean – Ruth Hulse; Lay Co-Chair – Jackie Mumford; Sub-Warden of Readers – Malcolm Robertson; Treasurer - Rosemary Lording.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Salisbury - Bishop Nicholas Holtam, Bishop Andrew Rumsey, Bishop Karen Gorham; <i>Wales:</i> St Asaph - Bishop Gregory Cameron; <i>Denmark:</i> Ribe - Bishop Elof Westergaard.
The Wider View	Give thanks for new partnerships and developing links between Hereford and Nuremberg dioceses, and at this time for the use of Zoom meetings which can bring us together not only with our Nuremberg friends but can also link us in prayer with our partners in Tanzania.
This Week	<p>Many churches may still keep this Tuesday as their main feast of Mary: once again, we reflect on her gentle and trusting obedience to God’s call. The faith journey begins when we say yes to God, trusting in his providence and love. This is Migraine Awareness Week. Migraine is a complex neurological disorder and much more than “just a headache”. For those who experience frequent migraines it can be extremely disabling, while not always taken seriously by others. Pray for research and understanding.</p> <p>This is also Rheumatoid Arthritis Awareness Week: often thought of as a disease of age, this form of arthritis can in fact strike at any age from late teens onwards. Pray for all who live with this disease, and that we may be better at understanding and treating it.</p> <p>It’s impossible to know how many of the meetings, events etc programmed for this month will take place; but as our archdeaconry Pastoral and Ministerial Subcommittees are due to meet this week and next, pray for our planning and preparation for mission and service in a “post-viral” Church and world that will be greatly changed from how things were at the beginning of this year.</p> <p>The Readers’ Association Committee was also due to meet this week. Pray for all who exercise this ministry, giving thanks for the work they do. Pray for those in training, particularly those who would have been admitted as Readers this month, a date deferred to October to make space for the ordinations.</p>
Monday 7th September	
Anglican	Oru (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Geoffrey Chukwunenye. Canberra & Goulburn (Australia) - The Rt Revd Mark Short; Assistant Bishops - The Rt Revd Carol Wagner, The Rt Revd Stephen Pickard.
Hereford	St Martin, Hereford and St Peter, Bullinghope; Anne Dowdeswell; Intergenerational Missioners - Jo Child, David Bland; Discover Intern – Theo Newnham; Local Ministry Team. The Hereford Academy; Riverside Primary School; Marlbrook Primary School; St Martin’s Primary School; Our Lady’s RC Primary School; Blackmarston School.
Tuesday 8th September: Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Anglican	Osaka (Japan) - The Rt Revd Andrew Haruhisa Iso.

	Canterbury (England) - The Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby; Bishop of Dover & Bishop in Canterbury - The Rt Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin.
Hereford	South Wye Rural - Dinedor w Holme Lacy; Little Dewchurch w Ballingham, vacant, Little Dewchurch CE Primary School.
Wednesday 9th September: Charles Fuge Lowder, priest	
Anglican	Osun (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd James Afolabi Popoola. Cape Coast (West Africa) - The Rt Revd Victor Atta-Baffoe.
Hereford	<i>West Hereford Team Ministry</i> – St Nicholas, Holy Trinity, All Saints and St Michael's, Breinton: vacant, Ruth Hulse; Readers – Stuart Vince, Chris Webb, Malcolm Robertson, Michael Weaver; The Team LMDGs; Whitecross High School; Trinity Primary School; Lord Scudamore Academy.
Thursday 10th September	
Anglican	Osun North (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Abiodun T Olaoye. Cape Town (Southern Africa) - The Most Revd Thabo Makgoba; Bishop-elect for Table Bay - The Ven Joshua Louw. Carlisle (England) - The Rt Revd James Newcome; Suffragan Bishop - The Rt Revd Emma Ineson (Penrith).
Hereford	St Peter with St Owen & St James: Andy Morgan, Elliot Swatridge; PTO - Sharon Elson, Paul Gill, Val Turner; Readers – Peter Strevens, Roger Lind, Mary Bennett; St Thomas Cantilupe CE School, St James CE School. Church wardens- Peter and Janet Stevens, Richard Paske, Guy Rawlinson, Stephen Turner; Treasurer: Andy Butterfill; 'Bread of Life' - hot food provision; St Peter's winter night shelter.
Friday 11th September	
Anglican	Osun North East (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Ebenezer Akorede Okuyelu. Cashel, Ferns & Ossory (Ireland) - The Rt Revd Michael Burrows.
Hereford	Holmer with Huntington: Steven Lee, Rob Oram; Reader – Nancy Thomas; Holmer CE Academy.
Saturday 12th September	
Anglican	Ottawa (Canada) - The Rt Revd Shane Parker. Central Buganda (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Michael Lubowa.
Hereford	Burghill, Stretton Sugwas, Pipe-cum-Lyde & Moreton-on-Lugg: Phill Brown; Burghill Primary School; Stretton Sugwas CE Primary School.
Today	<i>Bishop Richard's Prayer Pilgrimage</i> - On the third Saturday of his journey, pray for those who will meet and pray with Bishop Richard as he visits Bridgnorth, Ludlow, Leominster and Bromyard Deaneries.
Prayer The Church Army (adapted)	For Mary, Mother of Jesus, we give you thanks and praise, O Lord. We thank you for her example of trust in you, and obedience to your will. We praise you, O Lord, for her spirit of acceptance, and for her care and love for the Child of Bethlehem. And we give you thanks for the journey of faith she made, to stand by the cross, to know the tomb empty and to receive at Pentecost the flame of the Spirit.

SUNDAY 13th September: 14th after Trinity Proper 19	
Anglican	The Anglican Church of South America - Presiding Bishop: The Most Revd Gregory James Venables.
Hereford	Pray for all who visit our churches, and for the welcome we extend, both at times of worship, and to those who look in at other times. Pray we may interpret our buildings in ways that both tell their story and share our faith.
Porvoo	<i>Ireland</i> : Tuam, Killala and Achonry - Bishop Patrick Rooke; <i>England</i> : Bath and Wells - Bishop Peter Hancock, Bishop Ruth Worsley.
The Wider View	Pray for the many families worldwide who have lost loved ones as a consequence of Covid 19, especially those who have been unable to be with them in their final days and hours. May they find God's peace surrounding them at this difficult and lonely time.
This Week	<p>Monday is Holy Cross Day: reflect on the Cross as the place of our salvation, and the sign of a ministry that reaches up in praise and prayer, reaches out in fellowship and mutual service, and reaches down to seek out the lost and lonely, to protect the vulnerable and the raise up the fallen.</p> <p>The reforms put in place by Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury from 668 to 690 arguably established the system of dioceses and parishes that continue to this day. Pray that in our changed and changing world we may find ways of still being a Church present at the heart of each community.</p> <p>This week also marks the remarkable ministry of Hildegarde, 12th Century Abbess of Bingen, who described herself as being "a feather on the breath of God". Among many other attributes, she had a deep appreciation of nature: pray for all who - like her - have a sense that to honour God we must choose to live in harmony with all that he has made.</p> <p>National Eczema Week prompts prayer for all who suffer from skin irritations, and for research and treatment; this is also National Hygiene Week - while we have all been made much more aware of the need for effective hand washing and other good hygiene practices over past weeks, pray we may not relax our guard and risk further outbreaks or a new "spike". Tuesday this week is kept as the International Day of Democracy: pray for those nations where there is no democratic accountability, or where the democratic process is manipulated and misused. Wednesday is National Teaching Assistants' Day: pray for all our schools in the extra stresses this new school year brings, and especially for the vital support given by Teaching Assistants.</p>
Monday 14th September: Holy Cross Day	
Anglican	Otukpo (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd David Bello. Central Busoga (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Patrick Wakula. Kisangani (Congo) - The Rt Revd Lambert Funga Botolome.
Hereford	Tupsley with Hampton Bishop: Nick Armstrong, Rachel Robertson; Bishop of Hereford's Bluecoat School; St Paul's CE Primary School; Hampton Dene Primary School; Broadlands Primary School; St Francis Xavier RC Primary School; Aylestone Business & Enterprise College.

Tuesday 15th September: Cyprian, bishop and martyr	
Anglican	Owerri (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Chukwuma Oparah. Central Ecuador (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Victor Scantlebury. Kita Kanto (Japan) - The Rt Revd Zerubbabel Katsuichi Hirota.
Hereford	Hereford VI Form College (Chaplain – Lana Silk); Herefordshire & Ludlow College; Hereford College of Arts; Royal National College for the Blind; Holme Lacy College.
Wednesday 16th September: Ninian, apostle to the Picts; <i>Edward Bouverie Pusey, priest</i>	
Anglican	Owo (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Stephen Ayodeji Fagbemi. Central Florida (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Gregory Brewer.
Hereford	<i>The Maund Group</i> - Bodenham, Felton & Preston Wynne, Marden with Amberley & Wisteston, Sutton St Nicholas & Sutton St Michael: Paul Roberts; Reader – Janet Hewlett; St Michael's CE Primary School, Bodenham; Marden Primary School; Sutton Primary School.
Thursday 17th September: Hildegarde of Bingen, abbess	
Anglican	Oxford (England) - The Rt Revd Steven Croft; Area Bishops - The Rt Revd Alan Wilson (Buckingham), The Rt Revd Colin Fletcher (Dorchester), The Rt Revd Olivia Graham (Reading). Central Gulf Coast (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Russell Kendrick. Central Melanesia (Melanesia) - The Most Revd Leonard Dawea.
Hereford	<i>The Magnis Group</i> - Credenhill with Brinsop & Wormsley, Mansel Lacy & Yazor, Kenchester, Bridge Sollers & Bishopstone: Rana Davies-James, Angie Deane; Reader – Mike Wilkinson; St Mary's CE Primary School, Credenhill.
Friday 18th September	
Anglican	Oyo (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Williams Oluwarotimi Aladekugbe. Central New York (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd DeDe Duncan-Probe.
Hereford	Stirling Lines (SAS) – Military Chaplains.
Saturday 19th September: Theodore of Tarsus, archbishop	
Anglican	Pacong (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Joseph Maker Atot. Central Newfoundland (Canada) - The Rt Revd John Watton. Kitale (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Chemengich.
Hereford	Fownhope, Mordiford, Brockhampton, Woolhope & Checkley: Chris Moore; St Mary's Primary School, Fownhope (Tim Milne); Mordiford Primary School (Kerri Finney).
Today	<i>Bishop Richard's Prayer Pilgrimage</i> - On the final Saturday of pilgrimage, pray for all who will meet and pray with Bishop Richard today in the Deaneries of Ledbury, Ross & Archenfield, and finally Hereford.
Prayer Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew	<p style="text-align: center;">Jesus, each of us is both the thief who blasphemes and the one who believes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">I have faith, Lord, help my lack of faith.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">I am nailed to death, there is nothing I can do but cry out: Jesus, remember me when you come with your kingdom.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jesus, I know nothing, I understand nothing in this horrific world. But you, you come to me, with open arms, with open heart, and your presence alone is my paradise. Ah, remember me . . .</p>

SUNDAY 20th September: 15th after Trinity Proper 20	
Anglican	The Episcopal Church of South Sudan - Archbishop: The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama.
Hereford	<i>Kington & Weobley Deanery</i> : Rural Dean – Guy Wilkinson; Lay Co-Chair – Elizabeth Shayler; Sub-Warden of Readers – Henry Verwey.
Today	Pray for churches across our Diocese holding Gift Day services, events and activities today, or planning them for other days, and that we may enable and ensure the funding we need for ministry and mission in these testing times.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : Sheffield - Bishop Pete Wilcox, Bishop Peter Burrows; Sodor and Man - Bishop Peter Eagles; <i>Greenland</i> : Bishop Sofie Petersen.
The Wider View	Refugees and homeless people have been particularly vulnerable to Covid 19, and it is often difficult to get the help they need to them. Pray for the many refugees who have taken refuge in countries already poor themselves and lacking in welfare support.
This Week	<p>The ordination retreat is due to begin this week on Thursday, and ordinations to the priesthood will be on Saturday, while deacons will be ordained on Sunday next, the first day of the next quarter's Diary. Obviously, all these dates remain provisional at the time of writing. Please pray for them all, and for the ministry of Neil Patterson as Director of Vocations and Ordinands. Those to be ordained deacon are listed in the week of 5th July, or on the last page of the Diary. Those to be ordained priest, with parishes, are Linda MacDermott (Kington), David Wyatt (Canon Pyon) and Iain McIntyre (Madeley). Pray too for all our ordinands in training, as listed on the last page of the Diary.</p> <p>On the feast day of Matthew, apostle and evangelist (Monday), give thanks for the Gospel that bears his name, and pray for all evangelists and preachers. Pray too for all who work in banking, finance and commerce.</p> <p>Saturday remembers Wilson Carlile: pray for the work and witness of the Church Army in churches and communities, mission and pastoral service.</p> <p>This week's planned meeting of the DAC prompts prayer for parishes where major restoration or development work is planned or ongoing, and for those needing to raise substantial funds. Give thanks for the grant making agencies that give support to our churches, and for the Historic Churches Trusts.</p> <p>This is National Eye Health Week. Pray for all who help with eyesight issues, and for those who have eye problems. Pray for those who are losing their sight, giving thanks for all who offer help and support.</p>
Monday 21st September: Matthew, apostle and evangelist	
Anglican	Kiteto (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Isaiah Chambala. Kitgum (Uganda) - The Rt Revd Wilson Kitara. Kitui (Kenya) - The Rt Revd Josephat Mule.
Hereford	Eardisley with Bollingham & Willersley, Brillley, Michaelchurch, Whitney, Winforton, Almeley & Kinnorsley: Marcus Small, Guy Wilkinson, Bob Mullis; Readers - Joyce Banbury, Jeff Glyn-Jones, David Greenwood; Almeley Primary School; Eardisley CE Primary School.

Tuesday 22nd September	
Anglican	Panama (Central America) - The Rt Revd Julio Murray Thompson. Central Pennsylvania (The Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Audrey Scanlan. Kivu (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Augustin Ahimana.
Hereford	Kington with Huntington, Old Radnor, Kinnerton & Titley: Ben Griffith, Linda MacDermott; Paul Buckingham; Reader - Rob MacCurrach; Kington Primary School; Lady Hawkins High School; Kington Court Hospital.
Wednesday 23rd September: Ember Day	
Anglican	Pankshin (Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Dr Olumuyiwa Ajayi. Central Philippines (Philippines) - The Rt Revd Rex Reyes.
Hereford	Letton with Staunton-on-Wye, Byford, Mansel Gamage & Monnington-on-Wye; Weobley with Sarnesfield & Norton Canon: vacant; Susan Verwey; Reader - Henry Verwey; Staunton-on-Wye Endowed Primary School; Weobley Primary School; Weobley High School.
Thursday 24th September	
Anglican	Panyana (South Sudan) - The Rt Revd Seme Nigo Abinda. Central Solomons (Melanesia) - The Rt Revd Ben Seka. Central Tanganyika (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Dickson Chilongani.
Hereford	<i>Arrowvale Group</i> - Pembridge with Moorcourt, Shobdon, Staunton-on-Arrow, Byton & Lyonshall: Anna Branston; Readers – Ian Smith, Anne Ingham; Pembridge CE Primary School; Shobdon Primary School.
Today	Ordination retreat begins.
Friday 25th September: Lancelot Andrewes, bishop; Sergei of Radonezh; Ember Day	
Anglican	Central Zambia (Central Africa) - The Rt Revd Derek Gary Kamukwamba.
Hereford	Presteigne with Discoed, Kinsham, Lingen & Knill: Stephen Hollinghurst, Debbie Venables; The John Beddoes Secondary School, and Presteigne Primary School.
Saturday 26th September: Wilson Carlile, founder of the Church Army; Ember Day	
Anglican	Paraguay (South America) - The Rt Revd Peter Bartlett. Central Zimbabwe (Central Africa) - The Rt Revd Ignatius Makumbe. Kobe (Japan) - The Rt Revd Augustine Naoaki Kobayashi.
Hereford	<i>Support Ministry:</i> Pray for the work of the Ludlow Mascall Centre, and in particular for the Diocesan Resource Library located there.
Today	Ordination of Priests.
Prayer Embertide prayer (Adapted from various sources)	<p style="text-align: center;">Lord of the harvest, grant to those now called to the sacred ministry a deepening assurance of your call, confidence in the gospel, and a boldness to make it known. May they have compassion for the lost and needy, courage, endurance, and self-denying love. Grant them an increasing experience of your life-giving Spirit, that they may equip your people for work in your service, to the glory of your name.</p>

Curates in Training:

Clive Munday (year 4 - Bridgnorth & Morville)
Rachel Robertson (year 4 - Tupsley with Hampton
Bishop)
Sue Jelleyman (year 3 - Ape Dale)
Tom King (year 3 - Bridgnorth & Morville))
David Poyner (year 3 - Severn Valley)
Tim Starling (year 3 - Stow Caple)
Elliot Swattridge (year 3 - Ss Peter & James, Hfd)
Alison Walker (year 3 - Wenlock Team)
Linda MacDermott (year 2 - Kington)
David Wyatt (year 2 - Canon Pyon)
Iain McIntyre (year 2 - Madeley)
Jo Burden (year 1 - West Hereford)
Lawrence Gittins (year 1 - Ludlow)
Tiffany Jackson (year 1 - Ross)
Joe Simons (year 1 - Cleobury Mortimer)
Katie Smith (year 1 - Kingsland)

Ordinands in Training:

Lauren Bell (Queen's, Birmingham)
Lois Beynon (Cranmer Hall, Durham)
Sam Burgoyne (Queen's, Birmingham)
Jo Child (CGH)
Joe Chipper (CGH)
Wayne Davies (CGH)
Seamus Hargrave (St Stephen's House)
Fiona Honeysett (CGH)
Ruth Leigh (CGH)
Rosie Roberts (Queen's, Birmingham)
Lizzie Womack (CGH)

Intergenerational Missioners:

Kate King, working in Bridgnorth
Geri Miller - Abbeydore
Wayne Davies - Ludlow
Christine Cattanach - Ross
David Bland and Jo Child - South Wye
Beckie Dotson - Sutton Hill & Woodside
Mark Hackney - Pontesbury Deanery

Interns ("Discover"):

Michael Aylmer (Bartestree & Maund)
Peter Greenfield (Kingsland)

Warden and Sub-Wardens of Readers:

Warden: Rev Preb Dr John Daniels

Sub-Wardens:

Abbeydore - vacant
Bromyard – vacant
Hereford - Malcolm Robertson
Kington & Weobley - Henry Verwey
Ledbury - Chris Blanchard / Linde Melhuish
Leominster - Michael Kneen
Ross & Archenfield - Christopher Blanchard
Bridgnorth - Garry Ward
Clun Forest - Jonathan Kemp
Condover - Nancy Cleaton
Ludlow - John Beesley
Pontesbury - Nancy Cleaton
Telford Severn Gorge - Garry Ward

Readers in Training:

Alex Daborn - Stottesdon
Christopher Evans - Greater Whitbourne
Mark Simmons - Orleton
Deborah Hartland – Tupsley
Jennifer White - Bucknell
Claire Williams – Westbury