



Weekly Intercessions

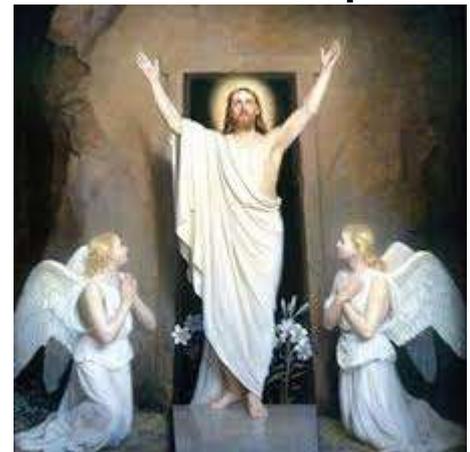


in the Scottish Episcopal Church
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone
Week beginning Sunday 12 April 2020

Easter Sunday and Easter week

For use at home during the COVID-19 social distancing and isolation from corporate worship

The aim of this leaflet is to help you pray at home as part of the Worldwide Anglican family in the Scottish Episcopal Church. Please use this sheet in conjunction with weekly Pewsheets and the SEC Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer.



You can follow these Daily Offices online at www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/

where you will find Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer each day of the week. All the Psalm and Bible texts are automatically there for the day and any commemoration or Festival.

Just before the Lord's Prayer you can insert these prayer intentions for the day and the names of those for whom we have been asked to pray in their different needs.

Watch out for online services during the Easter Season

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

An archive of online services, including Palm Sunday, Holy week, Easter Day and Holy Hour is being built up so do take a look if you can and join in the worship of the worldwide church

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER **each SUNDAY 7pm**

The Call to a National Day of Prayer, is in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, people of faith across our nation are invited to join in prayerful solidarity with this witness. Light a candle at 7pm each Sunday, in the window of our homes as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ, the source of hope in this life.



A prayer to use when you light your candle:

For all that is good in life, thank you,
For the love of family and friends, thank you,
For the kindness of good neighbour and Samaritan stranger,
thank you.

May those who are vulnerable, hungry or homeless,
experience support,

May those who are sick, know healing,

May those who are anxious or bereaved, sense comfort.

Bless and guide political leaders and decision-makers,
with wisdom,

Bless and guide health workers and key workers,
with strength and well-being,

Bless and guide each one of us,

as we adapt to a new way of living.

And may the light shining from our windows,
across road and wynd, glen and ben, kyle and isle,
be reflected in our hearts and hands and hopes.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Litany – from the Glasgow Diocesan daily prayer cycle

In the peace of Christ, let us pray: **Kyrie eleison.**

For the peace that is from above, let us pray:
Kyrie eleison.

For peace in the life of the churches and their unity, let us pray:
Kyrie eleison.

That the Holy Spirit will bring strength and courage, let us pray:
Kyrie eleison.

For bishop Kevin called to be the next Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway:
Thanks be to God.

For the people, congregation and clergy of the diocese of Argyll and The Isles:
Thanks be to God.

For the people, congregation and clergy of the diocese of Glasgow and Galloway:
Thanks be to God.

For all those who work and worship in Scotland for the furtherance of the Gospel:
Thanks be to God.

Inspire us to spread the Good News as Moluag did:
Holy God, hear us.

Help us to be builders of your church as Columba was:
Holy God, hear us.

Teach us to love as Mungo the beloved, loved:
Holy God, hear us.

Grant us the perseverance of Ninian:
Holy God hear us.

Remind us of your promises never to leave us:
Fill us with the Holy Spirit.

Strengthen our hope in Your future:
Fill us with the Holy Spirit.

Empower us to speak and act in Your name.
Fill us with the Holy Spirit.

To God the Life Bringer:
All praise and honour be.

To God the Pain Bearer:
All praise and honour be.

To God the Joy Giver:
All praise and honour be.

Blessed Holy undivided Trinity:
Unite us all in and through your love. Amen.

Sunday 12 April intentions – EASTER SUNDAY

In the Anglican Communion from

<https://www.anglicannews.org/blogs/2020/04/anglican-cycle-of-prayer-praying-for-the-peace-of-jerusalem.aspx>

On Easter Sunday (this year on 12 April), the Anglican Cycle of Prayer follows its tradition of calling on people to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. In this blog, ACNS offers some background and suggestions for prayer.

Jerusalem is a city that is considered by both Israelis and Palestinians as their capital. Ever since the creation of the State of Israel in 1948, the status of Jerusalem has remained, to this day, one of the central issues in the dispute between the Israel and Palestine. But conflict in the city is nothing new.

King David, in Psalm 122, urged people to “pray for the peace of Jerusalem.” Verses six and seven of the psalm read: “May those who love [Jerusalem] be secure. May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels.”

Jerusalem is home to the holiest of sites in Judaism. Jerusalem is the location of some of Islam’s holiest sites. And Jerusalem, for Christians, is the city where Jesus was crucified and – more importantly – where he rose again.

At the time of Jesus, Jerusalem was a city that was under Roman occupation. In the centuries that followed, the city has been captured and re-captured by warring entities – including by Christians during the crusades. And since the creation of the State of Israel, the city has seen further war and conflict; but today it is a city which is relatively peaceful; but conflict is never far from the surface.

Within the Anglican Communion, Jerusalem is home to the Diocese of Jerusalem which, under the leadership of Archbishop Suheil Dawani, covers Jordan, Palestine, Israel, Syria and Lebanon. The Diocese is part of the Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, which also includes the dioceses of Iran, Cyprus and the Gulf, and – until it leaves to become the new Province of Alexandria, the 41st Province of the Anglican Communion, later this year – the Diocese of Egypt with the Horn of Africa and North Africa.

Archbishop Suheil is due to stand down next year. The Dean of St George’s Cathedral in Jerusalem, Hosam Naoum, has been elected coadjutor bishop and will be consecrated on a date yet to be fixed.

As you pray for the peace of Jerusalem, pray for the security and prosperity of all its people, whether Israeli or Palestinian; whether Jewish, Muslim, or Christian.

This Easter, as you pray for the peace of Jerusalem, pray particularly for:

- the ministry of the Diocese of Jerusalem, which is highly respected for its work in education and healthcare in particular. Much of its ministry has been suspended or curtailed because of Covid-19 restrictions.
- political stability in Israel, which has had general elections in April 2019, September 2019, and 2 March 2020. At the time of writing, talks were continuing to form a unity government following the third set of elections.
- the impact of the Covid-19 restrictions on ordinary people and the lasting impact that a lack of international travellers will have on section of the economy that rely on pilgrimages and tourists.

In the SEC we pray for

The Primus, Bishop Mark Strange, our Interim Bishop; Bishop Kevin Pearson, our Bishop-Elect; the College of Bishops, the Synod Clerk, and those who offered themselves through the discernment process; the people of the Diocese of Argyll and The Isles, the Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway, and the whole Scottish Episcopal Church.

Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland.

Diocesan Treasurer (Robert Burgon); Diocesan Auditors (John R. Park, Jackie McCarrell, Andrew Littlejohn).

St James-the-Less, Bishopbriggs (Paul Watson, Harriet Oxley, Kennedy Fraser, Geoff Scobie).

St Cyprian's, Lenzie (Les Ireland)

All Saints, Inveraray (Diocese of Argyll and The Isles))

In our local Charges

We pray for an end to the coronavirus pandemic & healing for all who are suffering from covid-19.

We give thanks for the use of technology to help keep us connected.

We pray the safety of our church buildings during this lockdown.

We pray for our support of the Lent Appeal – Glasgow City mission as we continue collecting through Eastertide.

We pray for those who are sick and in need on our pewsheets...

We pray for those trying to mourn at this time.

In our communities

We give thanks for all working in security and public safety at our shops and supermarkets

We pray for all who are volunteering in our towns and villages to help isolated people.

We pray for owners and workers in the small corner stores

We pray for the unemployed with no income and we pray for all working in the Universal Credit Agency department.

EASTER Monday 13 April intentions



In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Dioceses of

Mishamikoweesh (Canada) The Rt Revd Lydia Mamakwa

Western Louisiana (Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jacob W Owensby

Ife (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olubunmi A Akinlade

Ife East (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade

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- Scottish Episcopal Church: Brechin (Bishop Andrew Swift).
- Companions of Our Lady & St Mungo (Ellen Barrett, Alison Joy Whybrow).
- Holy Name, Cumbernauld (Vacancy, Ray Gascoigne).
- St Matthew's, Possilpark (David Wostenholm, Stewart Wood).
- St Columba's, Bridgend, Isle of Islay (Diocese of Argyll and The Isles).

In our local Charges

as Sunday and for people who are feeling frightened by all that is currently happening in the world.

In our communities

We pray for Care workers going into people's homes to care for them.

We pray for people living and working in residential homes

We pray the healing of the Prime Minister and also for the work of the First Minister and her colleagues

EASTER Tuesday 14 April intentions

In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Diocese of

Mississippi (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Seage

Western Massachusetts (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Douglas Fisher

Ifo (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Nathaniel Oladejo Ogundipe

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In our local Charges

as Sunday and for each other as we try to keep our Easter Week as a time of celebration and thanks giving for the Resurrection.

In our communities

We pray for people working away from home

We pray for all refugees and assymul seekers trying to build a new home in our towns and villages

We pray for our Banks and Building societies as they seek to support us through COVID-19

We pray families missing out on celebrations together



EASTER Wednesday 15 April intentions

In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Diocese of Missouri (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wayne Smith
Western Mexico (Mexico) The Revd Ricardo Joel Gómez Osnaya

In the SEC

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of the Diocese of Argyll and The Isles, the Diocese of
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In our local Charges

as Sunday and for a real sense of the Risen Christs present for us as we
observe this joyful season in a worrying world situation.

In our communities

We pray for people living with limited mobility and those missing
treatments to help their ease of pain

We pray for the staff at our hospitals and the chaplains

We pray for a good sense of neighbourliness

We pray for all who are struggling with boredom

EASTER Thursday 16 April intentions

In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Diocese of Mityana (Uganda) vacant

Western Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Wayne Hougland

Western New York (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd William Franklin

In the SEC

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In our local Charges

as Sunday and we pray for our Vestry members as we seek too keep our church-life going in our isolation.

In our communities

We pray for delivery staff of the Post Office and delivery companies

We pray for children who live in dangerous domestic settings

We pray for Social Workers and Foster parents

We pray the gifts of new-friendships in our streets and across our garden fences



EASTER Friday 17 April intentions

In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Diocese of Mombasa (Kenya) The Rt Revd Alphonse Mwaro Baya
Western Newfoundland (Canada) The Rt Revd John Organ
Western North Carolina (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd José Antonio McLoughlin

In the SEC

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Scottish Episcopal Church: Edinburgh (Bishop John Armes).

Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk).

All Saints, Bearsden; (Kirstin Freeman).

St Michael & All Angels, Helensburgh (Dominic Ind, Pat Smith, Kevin Boak).

Christ Church, Lochgilphead (Diocese of Argyll and The Isles).

In our local Charges

as Sunday and for the gift of joy, in the midst of our world situation.

In our communities

We pray for Glasgow City Mission as our Lent Appeal cause this year

We pray for family life. That we may learn more about each other as we are constrained by the lockdown.

We pray for Scientists researching a cure and vaccine for COVID-19

EASTER Saturday 18 April intentions

In the Anglican Communion we pray for

Diocese of Monmouth (Wales) The Rt Revd Cherry Vann
Western Tanganyika (Tanzania) The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya
Igbomina (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Emmanuel Adekola

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In our local Charges

as Sunday and for healing from the Pandemic and for all our Local Businesses as they think about planning for a return in due course

In our communities

We pray for people living with Mental Illnesses

We pray for those struggling with depression and fear of others

We pray for our friends

We pray for those in parts of the poorer nations of the world waiting to bury their loved ones.

We pray for all who mourn and grieve.





Leading your Church
into Growth

God of Mission
Who alone brings growth to your
Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

**Everybody is invited and welcome
but household by household and online
at this time of COVID-19 sadly!**



The SEC is dedicated to becoming a welcoming, open and inclusive spiritual environment for all people- irrespective of gender, sexual and sexuality identities. We seek to offer a place for you to connect with the true self that we believe God has made you. If you feel different – welcome! We are different because we believe that as we walk with Jesus Christ together our lives are transformed and find renewed meaning and purpose, sharing in the gift of life as we know it now.

You have found a new home and family to grow and flourish- welcome!



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