

# Weekly Intercessions



in the Scottish Episcopal Church in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone Weeks beginning Sunday 3 August 2025

## Pentecost 8

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 Pewsheet and the SEC Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer.

You can follow these Daily Offices online at <a href="https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/">www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/</a>

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.

### www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

#### Faith in action (August) - The Elderly

The elderly are an all too neglected group within contemporary Scottish society. Although some elderly citizens enjoy an active social life, others suffer from acute isolation and worthlessness. To combat this latter tendency there is a wealth of things that you can do to help.

You may wish to try the following:

- Pray for the elderly
- Adopt a Granny which allows you to sponsor an elderly person in the third world to ensure that they receive vital support in the way of food, clothing and medical care.

- Join the RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Programme) provides quality opportunities for people aged 50+ to volunteer their skills and experience within their local community. It has 8,500 active volunteers across Scotland, England and Wales, providing valuable services in health, education and the environment. RSVP operates under the umbrella of CSV, Community Service Volunteers.
- Consider becoming a member of Age Scotland. This will provide you with up-to-date news about the welfare of the elderly in Scotland, news of campaigns and volunteering opportunities. They provide a range of factsheets on topics from Community Care to Crime Prevention T: 0845 125 9732
- Set up fundraising projects either by yourself or in your congregation to help organisations in this field carry out their vital work.
- Volunteer with Age Scotland which runs a range of voluntary projects for the elderly including their Handyperson project which enables DIY enthusiasts to help the elderly in their area with minor household repairs.
- Volunteer to work in one of the many charity shops Age Scotland has which always need new staff and goods, as well as a post called Church Friends who liaise between the charity and the elderly people in Church congregations.
- Volunteer with Contact the Elderly which is a national organisation which seeks to combat isolation amongst the elderly by organising weekly tea-parties for small groups of elderly people.
- Volunteer with Alzheimer Scotland which is the leading, national organisation to help both those who care for and those who suffer from dementia by helping out in their local drop in centres or being a telephone operator on their 24 hour Dementia hotline.

#### Lord,

When the death of our friends leaves us lonely; when we lose the confidantes to whom over the years we have turned; help us to be renewed in the company of the saints and find ourselves sustained by their prayers and your compassion which never fails.

AMEN

## Intercessions in the United Charges of St John's Johnstone & St Margaret's Renfrew

This is the seasonal list of our weekly intercessions from the Worldwide Anglican cycle of prayer and the monthly Diocesan Cycle of prayer – and above is the Provincial monthly cycle of prayer FAITH in ACTION

#### **In the Anglican Communion**

**Sunday 3 August 2025** 7th Sunday after Trinity

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

#### **Monday 4 August 2025**

The Diocese of Niger West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

#### **Tuesday 5 August 2025**

The Diocese of Nike – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

#### Wednesday 6 August 2025

The Diocese of Nimule – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

#### **Thursday 7 August 2025**

The Diocese of Nnewi – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

#### Friday 8 August 2025

The Diocese of Northern Izon – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

#### Saturday 9 August 2025

The Diocese of the Northern Territory – The Anglican Church of Australia

#### **3rd Day of Each Month**

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- The Dean (Reuben Preston).
- Lay Representatives, Alternate Lay Representatives and members of Regional Councils.
- Holy Trinity, Ayr (Martyn Trembath, Patsy Thomson).
- St Oswald's, Maybole (Liz Crumlish).

#### 4th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lithuania.
- St Columba's, Largs (Vacant, Linda Whitby).
- St Ninian's, Prestwick (Jane Ross).

#### 5th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Aberdeen & Orkney (Bishop Anne Dyer).
- Holy Trinity, Kilmarnock (Harriet Johnston, Anthony Clapham).
- St Ninian's, Troon (Keith Thomasson).

#### **6th Day of Each Month**

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Church of Norway.
- St John the Evangelist, Eastriggs; All Saints, Gretna; (Vacant).
- All Saints, Lockerbie; St John the Evangelist, Moffat (Vacant, John Stevenson).

#### 7th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Bishop's Core Group.
- All Saints, Challoch; St Margaret of Scotland, New Galloway (Dawn Matthew, Kirsty Anderson).

#### 8th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Church of Sweden.
- Diocesan Council.
- St Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet; St Francis of Assisi *(Greyfriars)*, Kirkcudbright (Alison Hudson, Gill Hart, John Martin, Gordon Mursell).

#### In the SEI

- 3. Robert Garnett, Diocese of Argyll and the Isles, ordinand
- 4. Enza Gibson, Diocese of Brechin, diaconal ordinand

- 5. Tim Hatton, Church Army/ Diocese of Edinburgh, Church Army Lay Evangelist
- 6. Emma Herd, Diocese of Edinburgh, ordinand
- 7. Camayo Hyde, Diocese of Edinburgh, Lay Reader candidate
- 8. Karen Kiefer, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, ordinand

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 fresh meaning and purpose, sharing in the gift of life as we know it now.

