



# Weekly Intercessions

in the Scottish Episcopal Church  
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone  
Weeks beginning Sunday 30 November 2025

## Advent 1

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/](http://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.

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### **Faith in action (December) – HIV/AIDS**

The HIV pandemic affects every part of our world, including Scotland. Some people here have been living with HIV for 20+ years, living with changes in their prognosis and the knowledge that many of their friends and loved ones have already died. Thanks to the development of effective treatment, many people are now living with HIV rather than dying from AIDS. However, these treatments are difficult to sustain, particularly for people who have additional social or health problems.

Recent years have seen an increase in new HIV infections in Scotland - the majority within the heterosexual population. There has been

inadequate sexual health education for the general population, with the resultant increase in HIV and other Sexually Transmitted Infections. People living with HIV face stigma and discrimination on a regular basis - this is still a hidden disease - they need our support and our care; they need our sisters and brothers/

You may wish to consider doing one or more of the following:

- pray for people living with HIV/AIDS
- commemorate International AIDS Day on the 1st December each year
- pray for all those whose lives are affected by HIV/AIDS
- pray for more effective drugs to combat this disease
- support charities who work with people living with HIV/AIDS
- volunteer in a hospice for those dying from this disease
- unconditionally accept people living with HIV/AIDS as equal members of the body of Christ.

### **God of all compassion,**

Comfort your sons and daughters Who live with HIV. Spread over us all your quilt of Mercy, Love and Peace.

Open our eyes to your presence

Reflected in their faces.

Open our ears to your truth

Echoing in their hearts.

Give us the strength

To weep with the grieving,

To walk with the lonely,

To stand with the depressed.

May our love mirror your love

For those who live in fear,

Who live under stress and who suffer rejection.

Mothering, fathering God

Grant rest to those who have died

And hope to all who live with HIV

God of life, help us to find the cure now

And help us to build a world in which

No one dies alone and where

Everyone lives accepted

Wanted and loved.

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 30 November 2025** *Advent 1*

**The Anglican Church of Australia**

**Monday 1 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Ruaha – The Anglican Church of Tanzania**

**Tuesday 2 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Rumbek – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan**

**Wednesday 3 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Rumonge – The Anglican Church of Burundi**

**Thursday 4 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Rupert's Land – The Anglican Church of Canada**

**Friday 5 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Rutana – The Anglican Church of Burundi**

**Saturday 6 December 2025**

**The Diocese of Ruvuma – The Anglican Church of Tanzania**

## **30th Day of Each Month**

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- The Methodist Church in Scotland (Mark Slaney).

- The United Reformed Church (Lindsey Sanderson).
- EMU Partnership Agreement.

### **1st Day of Each Month**

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Those in training for ordained and lay ministries.
- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop Gregor Duncan, Bishop Idris Jones, Bishop Gordon Mursell, all retired clergy and those in Post-Retiral Ministry.
- The Church of Scotland.
- The Roman Catholic Church in Scotland.

### **2nd Day of Each Month**

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church.
- Pastoral Assistants, Eucharistic Assistants, Worship Leaders and Spiritual Companions in the Diocese.
- North Ayrshire Team: St Andrew's, Ardrossan; St Peter's, Dalry (Vacant, Margaret Williams).

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

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- The Dean (Reuben Preston) and the Rural Dean (Elizabeth Breakey).
- 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 (Vittoria Hancock, John Stevenson).

## **In the SEI**

### **30. Institute Council**

- 1. Mr Edward Dickens, Diocese of Brechin, SEC ordinand**
- 2. Mr Daniel Farrell, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane, SEC ordinand**
- 3. Mr Robert Garnett, Diocese of Argyll & the Isles, SEC ordinand**
- 4. Ms Enza Gibson, Diocese of Brechin, SEC ordinand**
- 5. Ms Yvonne Hamilton, Scottish Synod, URC ordinand**
- 6. Dr Emily Hearn, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane, SEC 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.



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