



Weekly Intercessions



in the Scottish Episcopal Church
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone
Weeks beginning Sunday 14 December 2025

Advent 3

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.

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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 14 December 2025 *Advent 3*

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Monday 15 December 2025

The Diocese of Saint Helena – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Tuesday 16 December 2025

The Diocese of Saint Mark the Evangelist – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Wednesday 17 December 2025

The Diocese of Saldanha Bay – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Thursday 18 December 2025

The Diocese of Salisbury – The Church of England

Friday 19 December 2025

The Diocese of El Salvador – Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

Saturday 20 December 2025

The Diocese of Sambalpur – The Church of North India (United)

14th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Church of Ireland.
- Diocesan Chancellor (Bruce Erroch); Diocesan Registrar (Ronald Inglis).
- St Bride's, Glasgow (Peter Bradley).
- St Andrew's, Milngavie (Andrea Hagenbuch, Fraser Gold).

15th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Lay Readers in the Diocese and their Warden (Ray Gascoigne).
- Cathedral Chapter.
- Cathedral Church of St Mary, Glasgow (Kelvin Holdsworth, Sarah Shaw, John Riches, Ellen Barrett, Maggie McTernan, Chuks Iwuagwu).

16th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland.
- Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk).
- St Augustine's, Dumbarton (Heller Gonzalez).

17th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Edinburgh (Vacant).
- All Saints, Bearsden; (David Guest).
- St Michael & All Angels, Helensburgh (Dominic Ind).

18th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Church in Wales.
- Diocesan Environmental Group (Stuart Bain, Ian Arbon, Susan Burr, Rebecca Cadie, Fiona Crawford, Iain Johnstone, Petko Marinov)
- All Saints, Jordanhill (Vacant).

19th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Faroe Islands.
- Diocesan Property Committee.
- St Aidan's, Clarkston (Vacant).
- St Margaret of Scotland, Newlands (Gordon Fyfe, David Jasper, Charlotte Methuen, Mary Bowden).

20th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Nick Bundock, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Communion: The Lusitanian Church of Portugal.
- St Oswald's, King's Park (Alison Mathew).
- St Ninian's, Pollokshields (Verity Brown, Kenneth Roach, Eamonn Rodgers).

In the SEI

14. Mr Bright Tafirenyika, Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway, SEC ordinand
15. Dr Stuart Thomson, Diocese of Moray, Ross & Caithness, SEC ordinand
16. Rev Dr Margaret Williams, Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway, (transitional) deacon
17. Dr Lana Woolford, Diocese of Edinburgh, SEC ordinand
18. Ms Linda Harrison, Administrator
19. Rev Canon Prof Michael Hull, Principal
20. Dr Alistair Mason, Chair of the Board of Examiners

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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