



# Anglican Church of Southern Africa

## DIOCESE OF JOHANNESBURG

## JANUARY PRAYER DIARY

2012 is the year that we celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Diocese. The Diocese of Pretoria at their Synod of 1919 unanimously approved the formation of the Diocese of Johannesburg. The Provincial Synod of Bishops subsequently approved the formation of our Diocese effective from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1922. The first Bishop of Johannesburg, The Rt. Revd. Arthur Karney was consecrated and enthroned on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 1922 at the Cathedral of St. Mary the Virgin.

Our Diocese was later divided again and as a result gave birth to the Diocese of Matlosane, the Diocese of Christ the King, and the Diocese of the Highveld.

Throughout this year let us thank God for the many blessings that he has bestowed upon us as a Diocese, let us embrace our opportunity to minister to each other and let us celebrate our part in our Diocesan family.

(Prayers in this diary are taken from 'An Anglican Prayer Book 1989' unless otherwise stated).

### **Sunday, 1 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia and for the Most Reverend William Brown Turei Pihopa o Aotearoa and Primate and Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

Let us start this year by, reaffirming our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God  
The Father, the Almighty  
Maker of heaven and earth  
Of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ  
The only Son of God  
Eternally begotten of the Father  
God from God, Light from Light  
True God from true God  
Begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven  
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
And the Virgin Mary  
And was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
In accordance with the Scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
To judge the living and the dead

And his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified  
Who has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
And the life of the world to come. Amen

### **Monday, 2 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Aba, Nigeria and for the Most Reverend Ugochukwu Ezuoke.

Lord of heaven and earth  
We ask you to provide this Diocese in the coming year  
With everything necessary for its spiritual growth:  
Schools to educate children in your love and service  
Ministers to do your work in this area  
Churches in which to worship and glorify you.  
Strengthen and confirm the faithful  
Protect and guide the children  
Comfort and heal the sick and afflicted  
Turn the wicked to repentance  
Rouse the careless  
Restore the penitent  
Remove every hindrance to the advancement of your truth  
And bring us all to be of one heart and mind  
Within the body of your holy Church  
To the honour and glory of your Name;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Tuesday, 3 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for AbA Ngwa North, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Nathan Kanu.

We pray for Brian our Bishop.

As the Diocesan Office re-opens today we pray for all those who work in parish offices throughout our Diocese remembering especially those who staff our head office: Rodney Taylor, Ivy Matthews, George Boyce, Olga Raphoto, Tumi Masemola, Claire Holden and Noxolo Sihangu.

While so many return to work today after the Christmas break, we pray also for those in our country and especially in this Diocese, who are unemployed:

Heavenly Father, creator and giver of all good things  
Your Son learned a carpenter's trade:  
Protect and defend all who suffer poverty  
And depravation from being without work;  
Guide the people of this land  
So to use its wealth and resources  
That all may find employment  
And receive just payment for their labour;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Wednesday, 4 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Abakaliki, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Benson Onyeibor.

We pray for Archbishop Thabo Makgoba our Metropolitan and ask that God bless, keep and guide him in the coming year.

We pray too for the Diocese that make up our Province: Angola, Cape Town, Christ the King, Free State, George, Grahamstown, Highveld, Kimberly and Kuruman, Lebombo, Lesotho, Matlosane, Mpumalanga, Mhashe, Mthata, Namibia, Natal, Niassa, Port Elizabeth, Pretoria, Saldanha Bay, St Helena, St Mark the Evangelist, Swaziland, Table Bay, Ukhahlamba, Umzimvubu and Zululand and for their Bishops.

We pray especially for our own Bishop Brian and for Susan his wife.

### **Thursday, 5 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Aberdeen & Orkney, Scotland and the Right Reverend Doctor Robert Gillies.

We pray for all Parishes in our Diocese that are currently vacant or under the care of an Interim Pastor: Bez Valley, St Stephen Diepkloof, Dobsonville, East Bank, Emdeni, Ferreirastown, Fouchville, Khutsong, Moroka, Mzimhlope, St John Orlando, Simunye, Weltevreden Park and Yeoville.

God our Father  
The giver of every good gift  
Graciously regard the needs of your Church  
And guide with your heavenly wisdom  
The minds of those responsible for choosing rectors  
Send us faithful pastors to feed your flock  
And to lead us in the way of your holiness;  
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

### **Friday, 6 January - Epiphany**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray: 'Oh God, you revealed your only Son to the Gentiles by the leading of a star, mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may after this life enjoy the splendor of your gracious Godhead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen'

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

We pray for Charles May our Dean and permanent Vicar General and for Tebogo his wife.

The infant Jesus is the Light of the world:  
Let His light shine on every nation  
And fill the whole world with your glory;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Saturday, 7 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Adelaide, South Australia and for the Most Reverend Jeffrey William Driver.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

We pray for Archdeaconry Region 5 and for Xolani Dlwati the Archdeacon. We pray too for the parishes in the Archdeaconry: Bedfordview, Bekkersdal, Belgravia, Bez Valley, Bryanston, Coronationville, Halfway Gardens, Jeppestown, Kensington, Malvern, Mohlakeng, Rabie Ridge and Simunye.

### **Sunday, 8 January – Epiphany 1**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Anglican Church of Australia and for the Most Reverend Phillip John Aspinall Archbishop of Brisbane and Primate of Australia.

We pray for all our Diocesan Outreach Programs and Organisations asking that they reach out to their respective communities in love and truly reflect the shining face of Jesus to those they meet.

We remember especially the Anglican Men's Fellowship, the Anglican Women's Fellowship, Bernard Mizeki, Carry You Ministry, COACH, Dependable Strengths, Diocesan HIV and AIDS Department, Mother's Union, Parish Villages and other Old Age homes and villages we are involved in and Turning Point.

### **Monday, 9 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Afikpo, Enugu, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Paul Uduogu.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

Almighty God, Father of everlasting mercy  
We entrust all who are dear to us  
To your never-failing care and love  
Both for this life and for the life to come  
Knowing that you are doing for them  
Things beyond all that we can ask or think;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Tuesday, 10 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Agra, North India and for the Right Reverend Samuel Cutting.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

As the clergy of Archdeaconry Region 3 meet today we pray for that Archdeaconry and for Doug Michael the Archdeacon. We pray too for the parishes in the Archdeaconry: Bramley, Carletonville, Discovery, East Bank, Florida, Khutsong, Mzimhlope, Linden, Protea Glen, Protea South, Roodepoort and Weltevreden.

### **Wednesday, 11 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Ajuata, Nigeria and for the Most Reverend Christian Efobi.

As private schools return to school today we pray especially for the Anglican Church Schools in our Diocese: St John's, St Mary's School, Vuleka School, Bishop Bavin and St Peter's.

We pray too for Roedean, St Barnabas College and St Andrews' with whom we have close links.

We pray for all our Anglican Chaplains and especially for Moses Thabethe who will be licensed as the new Chaplain of Bishop Bavin today.

Eternal God  
Worthy of all worship  
Your Son sat among scholars, asking them questions:  
Bless all schools, colleges and universities  
That they may be lively centres  
For sound learning, new discovery  
And the pursuit of wisdom;  
And grant that those who teach and those who learn  
May praise you as the source of all truth;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Thursday, 12 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Ahoada, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Clement Ekpeye.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

We pray too for all our Diocesan officials: Henry Bennett, Ronnie Bracks, Mark Franklin, Joel Dikgole, Connie Nkosi, Jill Oliphant, Nigel Willis and Rodney Taylor. We thank God for the gift of their time and wisdom and ask that He grant them wisdom and discernment in their decision making.

### **Friday, 13 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Aipo Rongo, Papua New Guinea and for the Right Reverend Doctor Nathan Ingen. We pray too for their Suffragan Bishop the Right Reverend Denys Ririka.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

We pray for Archdeaconry Region 6 and for Trevor Prince the Archdeacon. We pray too for the parishes in the Archdeaconry: Alexandra, St James and St Stephen in Diepkloof, Emdeni, Krugersdorp, Munsiville, Moroka, Orange Grove, Sophiatown, Sunninghill and Westonaria.

### **Saturday, 14 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Ajayi Crowther, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Olugbenga Oduntan.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

As the self-supporting clergy of our Diocese meet today we pray for all those who are called to this ministry. We ask God to help them balance the demands of their secular careers and their priestly ministry, and we thank God for the role they play in this Diocese.

We pray especially for: Eve Abrahams, Janet Aereboe, Dorcas Baleni, Kevin Balkwill, Kathy Barrable, Erna Basson, Ray Bewsher, Cythia Botha, Helen Els, Maria Frahm-Arp, Liz Klingenberg, Cathy Lee, Paul Letlala, Jenny Mabin, Dikeledi Malema, Eunice Marubelela, Enos Mhlongo, Alinah Mohomane, Abe Mokgohlane, Bradley Moloi, Koto Moloi, Parker Monala, Mosima Molebe, Alice Mugglestone, John Naale, Sizwe Ngombane, Nombuyiselo Nhlapo, Mlungisi Ntsele, John Ntsoko, Sam Ogalu, Andrew Payne, Margaret Place, Gale Prinsloo, Ramokgopa Sedupe, Stephen Ratshefola, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Billy Salter, Gwyn Slade, Millie Smythe, Denzall Snell, Liz Thomas, Abegail Tserere, Karen Uitzinger, Jacqueline Williams, Kenny Xinwa and Manelisi Zeka.

### **Sunday, 15 January – Epiphany 2**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Church of Bangladesh and for the Most Reverend Paul Sarker Moderator, Church of Bangladesh and Bishop of Dhaka.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

As Bishop visits the Parish of St John the Divine, Belgravia today we ask for God's blessing on that parish. We pray for Millie Smythe, their priest and for her family. We pray for the parish as it looks for a new priest.

As Bishop also visits the Parish of St Albans, Ferreirastown today we ask that God bless the parish and those who worship there. We pray too for John Ntsoko, their priest.

### **Monday, 16 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Akoko, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Gabriel Akinbiyi.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

We pray for Archdeaconry Region 1, for Oupaki Moruthane the Archdeacon and for the parishes that make up the Archdeaconry: Bosmont, St Thomas and St Bartholomew in Kagiso, Orchards, Meadowlands, Newclare, St John and St Mary in Orlando, Randburg, Rangeview, Senoane and Tladi. We pray too for St Barnabas College.

**Tuesday, 17 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Akoko Edo, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Jolly Oyekpen.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

We pray today for the youth in our Diocese remembering especially those involved in ministering to them;

We pray for the Transformers Training Programme and for our Parish Sunday Schools and Youth Groups.

We pray for all our Youth Pastors and for School Chaplains.

Father of everlasting compassion  
You see your children growing up  
In an uncertain and confusing world:  
Show them the path of life  
Enable them to triumph over failure and frustration  
To hold fast their faith in you  
And to keep alive their joy in your creation;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Wednesday, 18 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Akot, Sudan and for the Right Reverend Isaac Dheiu Ater.

As our Diocesan Management Team meets today we pray for each member of the team: for Brian, our Bishop, Charles May, Dean and Permanent Vicar General, Rodney Taylor, our Diocesan Secretary, Godfrey Henwood, Chaplain to Management, and for our Archdeacons, Oupaki Moruthane, Vicentia Kgabe, Doug Michael, Steve Moreo, Xolani Dlwati and Trevor Prince.

Almighty God  
You proclaim your truth in every age by many voices:  
Direct those who speak where many listen  
Those who write what may be read  
Those who influence what many see  
That they may do their part  
In making the heart of this people wise  
Its mind sound  
And its will righteous;  
To the honour of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Thursday, 19 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Akure, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Michael Ipinmoye

We pray for Bishop Brian and for Susan.

We pray today for the environment and for ourselves as stewards of it. May we be good stewards of God's gifts,

We thank you, creator God,  
For the goodly heritage you offer us,  
From green downland  
To the deep salt seas,  
And for the abundant world  
We share with your creation.  
Keep us so mindful of its needs  
And those of all with whom we share,  
That open to your Spirit  
We may discern and practice  
All that makes for its wellbeing,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

- Rev Peter Lippiett, Diocese of Portsmouth

### **Friday, 20 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Alabama, USA and for the Right Reverend Henry Parsley. We pray too for their Suffragan Bishop the Right Reverend John Sloan.

We pray for our own bishop Brian and for Susan his wife.

We pray for Archdeaconry Region 2, for Vicentia Kgabe the Archdeacon and for the Parishes in the Archdeaconry: Auckland Park, the Cathedral, Doornkop, Fochville, Hillbrow, Houghton, Jabavu, Noordgesig, Parkhurst, Phakamani, Pimville, Rosebank and Wedela.

### **Saturday, 21 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Alaska, USA and for the Right Reverend Mark Lattime.

As Bishop Brian celebrates his birthday today we ask for God's blessings on him. Guide and protect him, Father, as he leads the Diocese in this the final year of his Bishopric.

We pray for all those celebrating special occasions during the course of this month. May the Lord Bless and keep you and may your celebrations fill you with love and happiness.

### **Sunday, 22 January – Epiphany 3**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil and the Most Reverend Maurício Jose Araujo de Andrade Primate of Brazil and Bishop of Brasilia.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

We pray for Archdeaconry Region 4 and for Steve Moreo the Archdeacon. We pray too for each parish in the Archdeaconry: Brixton, Dobsonville, Ferreirastown, Fourway Gardens, Mayfair, Northriding, Holy Cross Orlando, Parkview, Parktown, Randfontein, Ruimsig, Sandton, Toekomsrus and Yeoville.

### **Monday, 23 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Episcopal Church in Albany and for the Right Reverend William Love.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Susan.

As our Ordinands enter retreat today in preparation for their Ordination on Saturday we pray for Jeremy Jacob who is leading the retreat.

We pray for those being ordained to the Priesthood: Maria Fram-Arp, Wayne Saldanha, Sue Waldron, and Jacqueline Williams.

We pray too for those being made Deacons: Jeanette Peirson, Bananile Tsita and Elias Kebareng Shoroma.

### **Tuesday, 24 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of Algoma, Ontario, Canada and for the Right Reverend Stephen Andrews.

As we pray for that Diocese we pray too for the Church of the Ascension, Sudbury and for their Rector Anne Germond and her family and we thank God for the work they do to assist HIV and Aids Ministry in this Diocese.

We thank and praise you Father for all those around the world who are involved in outreach programs in their own areas or further afield. Help us to give with generous hearts and receive with humility.

We pray too for Bishop Brian and Susan.

### **Wednesday, 25 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Most Reverend Doctor Eliud Wabukala, Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya. We pray for the Garissa Missionary Area, Kenya and for the Right Reverend David Mutisya. We pray too for the Episcopate of the Kenyan Armed Forces, the Right Reverend Colonel Peter Simiyu and for the Suffragan Bishop of All Saints Cathedral Diocese the Right Reverend Robert Martin.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

We pray for Jeremy Jacobs as he leads the ordination retreat and for each of the Ordinands: Maria Fram-Arp, Wayne Saldanha, Sue Waldron, Jacqueline Williams, Jeanette Peirson, Bananile Tsita and Elias Kebareng Shoroma.

**Thursday, 26 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Diocese of the Amazon, Brazil and for the Right Reverend Saulo Mauricio de Barros.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and for Susan his wife.

Today we pray for the Church:

Almighty God  
We praise you for the blessings  
Brought to humankind through your Church.  
We bless you for the grace of the sacraments  
For our fellowship in Christ  
And you and one another  
For the teaching of the Scriptures  
And for the preaching of your word.  
We thank you for the holy example of your saints  
For your faithful servants departed this life  
And for the memory and example  
Of all that has been true and good in their lives.  
Number us with them  
In the company of the redeemed in heaven;  
Thought Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Friday, 27 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Amichi, Nigeria and for the Right Reverend Ephraim Ikeakor.

We pray for Brian our Bishop and Susan his wife.

We pray for all our Ordinands and for those who have supported them in their formation.

As the Ordination rehearsal takes place today we pray for our mother church, the Cathedral of St Mary the Virgin. We thank God for the role that it has played and will continue to play in the life of our Diocese. We pray for the clergy of the Cathedral, for Charles May the Dean, for Sizwe Ngombane, John Warren, Roy Collins and Paul Singleton and for their families.

We pray for the area surrounding the Cathedral and especially for those who are working so hard to make this area a safer and cleaner place.

**Saturday, 28 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Amritsar, North India and for the Right Reverend Pradeep Samantaroy.

As our Diocesan Ordinations take place at the Cathedral today we pray for those being ordained to the Priesthood: Maria Fram-Arp, Wayne Saldanha, Sue Waldron, and Jacqueline Williams.

We pray too for those being made Deacons: Jeanette Peirson, Bananile Tsita and Elias Kebareng Shoroma.

God our Father, the Shepherd of Israel  
You entrust to your Church the care of your people:  
Watch over your servants now preparing  
For the ministry of word and sacrament.  
Fill them with faith, hope and love  
And make them steadfast in prayer;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Sunday, 29 January – Epiphany 4**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Anglican Church of Burundi and for the Most Reverend Bernard Ntahoturi Archbishop of the Province of Burundi and Bishop of Matana.

As we pray for Burundi, we think about areas around the world that have experienced war and turmoil in recent years. We pray:

God our refuge and strength  
You have bound us together in a common life:  
Help us, in the midst of our conflicts  
To confront one another without hatred or bitterness  
To listen for your voice amid competing claims  
And to work together with mutual forbearance and respect;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray for Bishop Brian and for Susan.

### **Monday, 30 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Andaman & Car Nicobar Islands, North India and for the Right Reverend Christopher Paul.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Dean Charles who begin a retreat this week.

As the Bishop and Dean spend time in study and silence let us take some time to renew our commitment using the words used in our church services yesterday:

Father almighty  
We offer ourselves to you  
As a living sacrifice  
In Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out into the world  
In the power of the Holy Spirit  
To live and work  
To your praise and glory.

Lord help each of us to discern how you are calling us to serve you in our daily lives. Give us the strength to respond, "Yes!"

### **Tuesday, 31 January**

Together with the Worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Antananarivo in the Indian Ocean and for the Right Reverend Todd Andrew McGregor.

We pray for Bishop Brian and Dean Charles in their retreat.

As the first month of 2012 draws to a close we pray:

Almighty God  
You have promised to hear the prayers  
Of those who ask in your Son's name:  
We pray that what we have asked faithfully  
We may obtain effectually;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.