



SW7 BENEFICE



PRAYER DIARY
OCTOBER 2025

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

1 Wednesday

Let us pray that many come and enjoy fellowship together at the Long Compton Church Community Coffee Morning this morning.

2 Thursday

Yesterday was International Day of Older Person's. Dear Father, it can be hard to accept the losses that age brings; people we love, our faculties, strength and perhaps optimism for the future. Please give us resilience and good humour; strengthen us in reflection on our lived experience, but enable us to live in the present, trusting your unfailing, loving care.

3 Friday

We pray for the school Harvest Service happening at Long Compton Church this morning.

4 Saturday

Pray for those living with cancer and undergoing treatment.

5 Sunday

Pray for the morning services at Long Compton and Harvest Thanksgiving at Wolford this morning, GAP this afternoon and Harvest Festival Evensong at Barcheston, led by Ben.

6 Monday

Prayers of thanksgiving for our farmers who have worked so hard to bring in the crops during difficult weather conditions.

7 Tuesday

Please pray for the JPCC meeting this evening.

8 Wednesday

Give thanks for all who give to support the fabric of our churches, especially the Friends' charities in Long Compton and Whichford.

9 Thursday

Prayers for both GiggieTots and Connect for people to come and have fun, meet others and through that see a reflection of our Father's love for us all.

10 Friday

World Mental Health day. Prayers for all who deal with anxiety and stress at home and their work place.

11 Saturday

On this World Hospice and Palliative Care Day let us be thankful and pray for all those who work in our local hospices and nursing homes for the needs of the terminally ill.

12 Sunday

Pray for the morning services at Burmington, Harvest Thanksgiving at Whichford, and Connect at Long Compton Village Hall this afternoon, led by Ben.

13 Monday

Yesterday was 'World Arthritis Day'. We remember 10 million in the UK with arthritis causing joint inflammation and pain and pray for continuing advances in the prevention, treatment and cure of this condition.

14 Tuesday

As the nights draw in we pray for all that work evenings and night shifts within our communities that they remain safe over the coming months.

15 Wednesday

Pray for Ben as he leads the assembly at Acorns Primary school this morning.

16 Thursday

We pray for guidance towards a successful meeting of Barcheston's PCC this afternoon.

17 Friday

We pray that you will comfort and help all those whose relationships are going through difficulties. Help those on both sides to try to understand the other's point-of-view and help them to feel your everlasting love.

18 Saturday

Dear Lord, we pray for the children of countries still engulfed in the appalling cruelty of war. They are helpless of their own account: terrified, lost and damaged in every way. Please aid all those desperately working to save and heal children and families.

19 Sunday

Pray for the morning services at Barton, and Harvest Thanksgiving at Cherington, and GAP in Long Compton this afternoon, led by Ben.

20 Monday

Give thanks for all the volunteers in the Benefice. Pray that they are encouraged as they see God's grace at work.

21 Tuesday

On Apple Day we celebrate and give thanks for the Apple harvest and remind ourselves to care for our surrounding countryside.

22 Wednesday

We pray for our Church Wardens in SW7 who work diligently to keep up to date with the needs of people in their villages and the church buildings.

23 Thursday

Please continue to pray for those who are house bound, frail and elderly from our churches.

24 Friday

May we remember in prayer all who work in our local GP surgeries that they may be given the discernment and time needed in caring for patients at this Autumn time especially with the demands of Covid and Flu vaccinations.

25 Saturday

Pray for Alasdair and Alicia as they get married today in Whichford.

26 Sunday

Pray for the Holy Communion services this morning in Whichford and Long Compton, led by Ben.

27 Monday

School half-term week begins today. Pray for rest and refreshment for students, teachers and parents.

28 Tuesday

Remember those grieving the loss of loved ones.

29 Wednesday

We give thanks for the beautiful earth bounty of Autumn in mushrooms, berries and nuts which feed us and the wildlife of our fields, woods and hedgerows.

30 Thursday

Pray for the health of our Ministry Team during the winter months.

31 Friday

We give thanks for the life and ministry of Elaine Hobday and pray especially for Trevor and his family as they prepare for her Memorial Service at Long Compton this Saturday, 1st November.