

St. Bartholomew's Church Prayer Diary, January 2024

Day by day we bring our concerns to God.

We pray for:---

- 1 This New Year, that it may be peaceful.
- 2 Peace and Harmony throughout the world
- 3 Those who teach and plan religious education in schools
- 4 All in positions of authority, particularly our Prime Minister and his government and the whole of parliament.
- 5 Those who provide 'Warm Welcome' in our Church Centre and those who come.
- 6 Those experiencing the pain of bereavement
- 7 Services marking Epiphany
- 8 Cameo as it meets for the first time in this new year
- 9 Our PCC members with thanksgiving for their service. May they be open to God's guiding hand
- 10 All who are involved in First Steps; those who lead those who attend. May it be a welcoming place for all.
- 11 Our bell ringers. Give thanks for their commitment as they come together to practice
- 12 Our choir practicing this evening. Give thanks for their musical gifts and for their time leading our Sunday worship
- 13 The leaders and all who come to EPIC. Ask God to bless our young people as they meet this evening.
- 14 Our services today, that they may provide spiritual nourishment. Give thanks for our visiting clergy.
- 15 Our Archdeacon, Sharon Copestake as she comes to speak at the soup lunch today
- 16 Our Fabric committee as it meets to make recommendations regarding the care and preservation of our beautiful church building
- 17 Our mid-week communion congregation meeting today.
- 18 That the U.K. can work towards world peace and harmony
- 19 Our sister churches in our village. That we may share the common goal of bringing the Good News of Jesus to all.
- 20 those working hard on a day by day basis to keep our church functioning well. Particularly our Churchwardens
- 21 Our village ecumenical service for Christian Unity
- 22 Opportunities for fellowship in a Christian context be this at church or socially

- 23 All out homegroups as they meet to study God's Word. Give thanks for those who lead and those who participate
- 24 Those who are needing God's healing, uplifting hands.
- 25 Those who care for loved ones
- 26 All who work in the NHS and all other caring and healing professions
- 27 Those who work in schools for the benefit of children. For teachers and ancillary staff. For the relationship between school and parents/carers
- 28 Our Christingle and Candlemas services today. We remember in particular the work of the Children's Society
- 29 The persecuted church. Ask God to help them in their time of need.
- 30 Those in our emergency services as they help to keep us safe
- 31 Everyone involved in the process of finding our new incumbent. For those preparing our profile and those who will read it. We pray for Bishop Jonathan and Archdeacon Sharon as they help us move forward.