



## *Monthly Prayers July 2021*

**This month's mission partner: The Sisters of the Church**  
Pray for a restful and restorative retreat/summer break for the Sisters after a busy period. Pray for the well-being of their clients whilst they are away and for food donations to be plentiful.

### **This time tomorrow**

We want to pray for people in their whole lives and how they share their faith with those they meet. In July we remember those involved in design work, engineering and architecture.

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Pray for those with dementia, remembering their carers and the health and social services offering support. Pray that they will have the resources they need.*

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*This month is plastic free July when we are asked to avoid single use plastic which is so damaging to the environment. Pray for wisdom, discipline, and awareness of the issues.*

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Jo Morris is ordained priest today. Give thanks for her journey with God and for her future ministry at St Mary's.*

### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for all who lead services or preach whether in church, or virtually.*

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for the ASMA church, the incumbents and all who work for them, paid and voluntary.*

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for those people whose businesses are in difficulty because of all the pressures of Covid and our relationships with Europe.*

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

*This month the Samaritans are challenging us to become better listeners so that fewer people will feel the need to take their own lives. Pray that you will be able to listen when people share their distress.*

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for our mission partners, that they will find peace and good health and that they will be able to resume work where Covid19 has made it difficult.*

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for those who are fearful or anxious about change, for whatever reason.*

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for God's wonderful creation, asking that we will learn how to care for it and to share precious resources without wasting them.*

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for all who lead and preach today, in church or by Zoom*

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray all doctors, nurses, paramedics and care staff that they will find the rest they need.*

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for all who have poor mental health, asking that they will get the support they need. Pray for the Kintsugi hope mental health awareness groups.*

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for all who work with their hands to make things for us to use and to enjoy.*

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>**

*On St Swithun's day pray that this summer will not be badly affected by storms or drought, remembering the countries that are particularly at risk.*

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for staff and residents in the residential and nursing homes in the parish.*

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Today is world International Justice Day. Please pray for those difficult situations involving people in different countries, remembering asylum seekers, refugees, child abduction and modern slavery.*

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for those who preach and lead today. and that you will hear what God is trying to say to you.*

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for Rachel and Hayley as they work with our children and young people, giving thanks for their enthusiasm and creativity.*

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for those who are being persecuted for their faith and may be being denied resources to help them.*

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

*As term ends pray for children and teachers that they will have a restful time over the summer, even where they are working to help children to catch up on lost learning.*

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*Today is our patronal festival when the church remembers Mary Magdalene giving thanks for the example of her faithfulness.*

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*As the Olympics begin in Japan pray for safety, sportsmanship, and good teamwork.*

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for people in hospitality and retail, including our local shops.*

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for all who lead and preach today, in church or by Zoom.*

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for the media, that they will report with honesty and fairness.*

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for Walk the Night raising funds for breast cancer and prostate cancer and pray for those you know who suffer from cancer of all kinds and for those who care for them and treat them.*

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for Hazelnut Community Farm and for all who are involved in its development.*

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Today the Church remembers Mary, Martha, and Lazarus – Jesus' friends. Give thanks for your friends and pray for those who are in need.*

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Pray for Bishops Viv and Lee and for the Bristol Diocese.*

**Looking ahead**

*As well as anything that we may be able to do in church, please take advantage of the website [stmarysb.org.uk](http://stmarysb.org.uk), emails and social media and do feel free to contact one of the clergy if you are in difficulty. (phone numbers in copies of the Messenger or via the office 01179687449)*