



Prayer Diary

Sunday 26 April
to Saturday 2 May

Sunday

As part of our contribution to this week's Earth Day 2026, our Eco Group have organised a Community Litter Pick early this afternoon. This will benefit the environment by removing rubbish that can be hazardous for wildlife, and help bring people together. Participants will pray for our local area as they do so; please ask for opportunities for sharing why we are doing this.

Monday

As our Finance & HR Team meets this evening, give thanks for all they do to serve the church. Please pray that God would grant its members wisdom, integrity, and unity as they steward every gift entrusted to us. Pray that God will provide all we need for His work here, and would guide their decisions so that our spending and saving reflect His priorities.

Tuesday

We thank God for the ministry of the St Michael's Church Pre-School and Nursery, which operates from the Old Vicarage under the leadership of Stacy Ashdown. The Nursery is nearly at capacity, but it has recently experienced some staff sickness which is proving quite a challenge. Please pray for the health of the leadership team and staff in a very demanding job.

Wednesday

Please pray for this evening's Vision Night and Annual Meeting, an opportunity to give thanks for all the Lord has done for us here at St Michael's over the past 12 months, and to look ahead to our vision, values, and strategy over the coming year. We will also be completing our formal Church of England annual meeting requirements as a PCC.

Thursday

The current conflicts in the Middle East have caused much grief, trauma and suffering across Israel, Gaza & Lebanon. Please pray for the church communities in these areas who are providing shelter, warmth, food, and comfort. Ask God to renew the strength of pastors, volunteers, and leaders carrying heavy emotional and spiritual burdens.

Friday

Give thanks for our wonderful clergy team: Si and Tom, also supported by Julie as a still-serving retired clergy member, who continue to serve us lovingly and faithfully. Please continue to uphold them (and their supportive family members) in prayer, asking that God would grant them wisdom, strength and compassion, and guide their words and actions as they lead us forward.

Saturday

A 'Forget-Me-Not Café' takes place in the library area above the Coffee Shop on the first Saturday morning of each month, providing a safe space for people to meet to share stories, experiences and to build friendships with others who are on a bereavement journey. Please pray that all those attending today would find comfort in the discussions.