Prayer Diary

Sunday 15 to Saturday 21 November

Sunday	We have two Youth activities taking place each Sunday: the Upper Room this morning, which includes worship, games and discussion; and Abide this afternoon, which explores faith in depth through Bible study. Please pray for Naomi, Sam and the numerous volunteers who assist in this work amongst our young people, enabling them to learn more about Jesus and grow in their faith.
Monday	Operation Christmas Child, run by Samaritan's Purse, is the world's largest children's Christmas project, making up shoeboxes of gifts for children worldwide. Thank you to all who have made up shoeboxes in recent weeks; and as they are collected from us today, please pray for their safe onward distribution, and they would bring joy to the children who receive them.
Tuesday	Our Mission Partner of the Month, Ruslan & Larisa in Moldova have asked us to particularly pray for: the evangelistic meetings held weekly on the streets of the village; for their monthly meetings with widows, which have just restarted; for a new ministry to be started for men, as many live alone and are isolated; and for winter fuel to become available so that people can heat their homes.
Wednesday	Please pray for our Bring it to Life team at St Michael's School today, introducing the children to Jesus and his disciples through drama and storytelling. This morning they will be retelling the story of when Jesus welcomes the children and blesses them. Ask that all the children taking part will engage with the story, as well as the rest of the school as they watch the narrative unfold.
Thursday	The violent conflict in Sudan is the world's worst humanitarian crisis, resulting in millions of people seeking refuge in neighbouring countries, including Chad, South Sudan and Uganda, in a desperate endeavour to escape the violence. The facilities in the refugee settlements are often rudimentary, worsening the trauma. Please pray for all the agencies seeking to bring relief, comfort and protection..
Friday	Please pray for tonight's Re:fresh Women's Evening, bringing women from across our congregations together to enjoy a delicious catered meal. Ask God to bless their conversations and deepen friendships, praying that this shared time would offer connection, refreshment and encouragement, renewing faith and strengthening the bonds of love within our church family.
Saturday	Safeguarding is a vital element of our church life at St Michael's. Please pray for Andrew Fenton & Rose Taylor, asking that God would grant them wisdom and compassion, and encourage them in their vital safeguarding roles overseeing the nurture, care and safety of children & young people (Rose) and adults at risk (Andrew) in our community.