Partners Praying Together October 2023



ABM's *Partners Praying Together* is designed to link our supporters with our partners. Each month we present the prayer requests we receive from our Overseas Partners. Together with that we have the feasts and commemorations from the lectionary, the Australian Cycle of Prayer (which allows you to pray for ABM's Australian Partners), and commemorations from the United Nations calendar. All of these are designed not to tell you how to pray, but to prompt you to pray in whatever way you prefer.

Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you . Ps 32.6a

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Who are ABM's Overseas Partners?

E ARE ASKING YOU to remember our each of our Australian dioceses as well as each of our each of our Overseas Partners. They consist of Activity Partners (with whom we currently have joint activities), Relational Partners (with whom we have historical relationships) and Networking Partners (with whom we work overseas, or with whom we share information). We have, as the well-used Anglican phrase describes it, strong *bonds of affection* for all of them. Because our overseas work involves both the Church, through our Church-to-Church Unit, and communities, though Anglicans in Development, we often relate to our partners both through the Church itself and through a particular Church's community development arm.

Activity Partners

- 1. The Anglican Church of Kenya (ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services)
- 2. The Anglican Church of Melanesia (The Anglican Church of Melanesia's Board of Mission)
- 3. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea)
- 4. The Church of Ceylon
- 5. The Church of the Province of Central Africa (*the Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program*)
- 6. The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) (the CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks)
- 7. The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (E-CARE, a community development organization of the ECP)
- 8. The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East (the Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk)
- 9. The Philippine Independent Church Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI (VIMROD the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI)

Relational Partners

- 10. The Amity Foundation an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China
- 11. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia (Anglican Missions Board, AMB)
- 12. The Anglican Church of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui 香港聖公會
- 13. The Anglican Church of Japan, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai 日本聖公会
- 14. The Anglican Church of Korea
- 15. The Church of Bangladesh
- 16. The Church of North India

- 17. The Church of Pakistan
- 18. The Church of South India
- 19. The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- 20. The Episcopal Church of South Sudan (the Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA)
- 21. The Episcopal Church of Sudan

Networking Partners

- 22. Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)
- 23. The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (Canada)
- 24. USPG (UK and Ireland)
- 25. Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy
- 26. Anglican Discipleship Jesus-Shaped Life
- 27. CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
- 28. The Mothers' Union

Please remember all our partners in your prayers. Whether they are in Vancouver, Honiara or Lahore, they need our prayers.

EACH DAY THIS MONTH

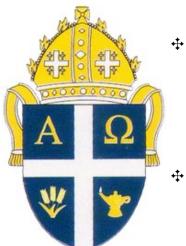
- Lord God, Your mercy reaches to the heavens, Your goodness knows no end.
 Let Your love and peace be known amongst us, that we may draw others to worship You.
- Pray for all who are preparing for the upcoming summer in Australia which seems likely to be very hot and prone to bushfires.
- Pray for all those who are about to lose their jobs in the steelmaking industry and their families in Newcastle.
- Pray for all who face racism in Australia, especially the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of this country.
- Pray for all those in war zones, and those displaced by war, especially the people of the Ukraine
- Give thanks for medical trials, especially a recent one in Ballarat that seeks to manage post-surgical pain.
- Give thanks for the election of the Rt Rev Jeremy Greaves to be the next Archbishop of Brisbane.
- ↔ Lord God, it is such an honour to be invited to Your banquet: make us worthy of our calling.

Prayer Points from our Overseas Partners



The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

- Please pray for political parties and politicians in Aotearoa New Zealand as election campaigning begins in earnest (election is 14 October). We pray that party policies are honest and true and aimed at what is best for the most vulnerable.
- We pray for recovery efforts in the parts of the North Island devastated by Cyclone Gabrielle earlier this year and especially for Anglican church and marae which have been so engaged in response and recovery efforts.
- ✤ We pray for people who are struggling as a result of cost-of-living rises, especially those who have nowhere to call home. Thank you for all agencies that support those who are struggling and have lost their way and for the hope and light these agencies bring.
- We thank you for the energy and inspiration that Anglican youth in Polynesia are bringing to the climate change debate. We ask for forgiveness for the times we take your wonderful creation for granted.
- ✤ We pray for parishes across the country as they draw on resources focussed on the Five Marks of Mission that have been developed by Anglican Missions (https:// anglicanmissions.org.nz/). May they help inspire and bring to the forefront the needs of others.



The Church of the Province of South-East Asia

- Give thanks for the whole process of the election of the 7th Archbishop of the Province of the Anglican Church in South East Asia, as Provincial Synod delegates discerned together the right candidate to be our next Archbishop at the end of September
 - Pray for the upcoming Council of Churches of East Asia (CCEA) Bishops' and Executive Committee meeting which is to take place in Hong Kong from 19 to 22 October.

- ✤ Pray for the host, the Most Revd Andrew Chan, Primate of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui and for the Chair, the Most Revd Brent Alawas, Prime Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines. Pray for a fruitful time of networking to enhance the works of the gospel in East Asia, to advance God's Kingdom in our region. Pray for safe travel of all delegates and meaningful fellowship.
- Give thanks for the upcoming consecration as Bishop and appointment as an Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Sabah of the Rev Canon Kenneth Thien on 5 November 2023 at All Saints' Cathedral, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. Pray for the Assistant Bishop-Designate that the Lord will prepare, equip and anoint him for the assignment that He has called him to take up. Pray that the Lord will supply all his needs and the needs of his family generously.
- Pray for the upcoming Provincial Gathering from 6 to 9 November 2023 in Kota Kinabalu, that representatives from the dioceses in our Province will have a meaningful time of fellowship to build a strong sense of partnership in the works of the gospel in our Province.

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East

- Give Pray for the Guidance of the Holy Spirit for the Synod of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf as they seek to elect a new bishop in the coming months.
- ↔ Pray for the search for bishop candidates for the Diocese of Iran.
- Pray for the start of the school year for teachers and children, especially in Jerusalem, where there is a dispute with the government over the use of Palestinian text books.
- ✤ Pray for an end to the war in Syria.



- Pray for a peaceful and constructive end to the political impasse
 in Lebanon, leading to a recovery from the country's 95% inflation over the past three years.
- Pray for a just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine, leading to an end to the 56-year occupation of the West Bank and longtime blockade of Gaza.

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

 Give thanks for the ordinations of deacons and priests throughout the ECP, especially Deacon Rashel Doyayag, the second ordination for the Visayas Mission Area. Pray that they will remain faithful and committed to their ministries, and that their communities may actively support them in their many challenges and responsibilities.



- Pray for candidates preparing for baptisms, confirmations and receptions, especially at upcoming patronal festivals, as they intentionally dedicate their lives to being disciples of Jesus
 Christ, and for their sponsors, that they may be dedicated to fulfilling their role of helping to nurture these new believers.
- Pray for the successful intervention of the National Food Authority council in new price setting for rice, that it will be effective in both improving farmers' incomes and ensuring a sufficient supply of rice to the nation.
- Pray for peaceful resolutions to the territorial disputes within the Southeast Asia region, especially for the ceasing of unauthorised incursions into the West Philippine Sea exclusive economic zone within the South China Sea resulting in the destruction of the marine ecosystem and economic loss for the fishing industry.
- Give thanks for the success of the ECP's Season of Creation environmental programs and activities, especially the Report of ECP Emissions Survey and the ECP Mission Center Eco-Park development plan, and pray that these may be the seeds of a renewed commitment to intentional love for God's creation.

香港聖公會

The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

The Anglican Church of Hong Kong



- Keeping our schools and their students and teachers in our prayers as they start their new academic year, may they receive new knowledge that shows them the beauty of God's creation.
- We pray for the different communities and individuals who have been affected by the recent floods and landslides, especially the injured and the homeless.
- We pray for the preparations for our province's silver anniversary service to be held on 23 October. As we welcome guests from afar and friends of the Church from different parts and backgrounds of Hong Kong, we pray for the strength for the Church to act as the intermediary that brings all together in the Kingdom of God.

日本聖公会

The *Nippon Sei Ko Kai* The Anglican Communion in Japan



 As Give thanks for the work of the church amongst minority ethnic groups in Japan - especially those of Korean heritage and ask God to inspire all attending a seminar this month on that issue

Pray for all incarcerated in Japanese prisons and remand centres and those who offer chaplaincy services to them as they meet this month; that the love and compassion of God might be transmitted to those cut off from the outside world

- Give thanks for the work of Japanese Christian and secular organizations as they care for the homeless population of this country and for the NSKK House of Bishops as they gather to study this, this month. Ask God to bless those who lead this church with a true care for the marginalized
- ✤ As Autumn sets in, with all wonderful Fall colours, give thanks for the beauty of God's created world, and pray that we may always seek to love and preserve it
- Give thanks for the work of all those who offer time and expertise to manage corporate issues and finances for churches in Japan and understand the intricacies of complicated tax and legal systems; and pray for them as they meet this month
- ✤ As giving thanks for freedom of travel, please pray for NSKK attendance at various international meetings and gatherings and ask God to bless the delegates with open hearts and minds to bring back to Japan inspiration from the experiences of other parts of the world

Pray for ABM

God of all, bless the Anglican Board of Mission as it serves the Church in Australia and our partner churches overseas. Inspire its work and its vision that all may come to know your justice, your peace and your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa

Prayer Focus this month: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa (ACSA)

WEEK 1

A Prayer for the Leadership of the Church and of the Nations

He chose capable men from all Israel and made the leaders of the people, officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. – Exodus 18.25

Welcome to October, in which we invite you to join us to prayer for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa (ACSA) that they may continue to know and experience the faithfulness of God in every aspect of their mission and ministry. Let us pray for the Primate, **the Most Rev Dr Thabo Makgoba** and the Bishops of the constituent Dioceses (and countries – Eswatini, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa and St Helena) that make up the province. As we pray for the Church, we join our hearts to also pray for the political, social, community and religious leaders of the countries within the province that in humility and diligence, they will acknowledge and accept the sovereignty of God over their nations, communities, and faith groups. Let us remember the leadership of South Africa (the dominant economy in the region) as they lead the nations and her peoples to face the various socio-economic and political issues facing the country. Let us remember the 75 and more people who have died in the fire outbreak that gutted a Johannesburg community, the bereaved families and for the repose of the souls of the deceased.

WEEK 2

A Prayer for Mercy, Healing and Fruitfulness

About Joseph he said 'May the LORD bless his hands with precious dew from heaven above and with the deep waters that lie below. ...with the choicest gifts of the ancient mountains and the fruitfulness of the everlasting hills ... – Deuteronomy 33.13-16

In the second week we stand in prayer that the Lord will show mercy, heal, and grant fruitfulness to the labours of the peoples and communities of the constituent nations of ACSA. We remember in prayer the people (from many parts of Africa and other countries) who sojourn especially in South Africa for honest labour that they (and their host country and communities) will live at peace and share in the blessedness of the land where they live. We pray that the Lord will show mercy to the afflicted, healing for the wounded in body, mind and spirit and make host communities and families fruitful in their endeavours so they can support those in need. Let us pray for the various ministries of the Church that provide health and healing and for all those whose work brings healing and restoration to the sick, the traumatized and those challenged emotionally and psychologically.

WEEK 3

A Prayer for Peace

The Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace.

– Numbers 6.26

In the third week of the month, we stand in prayer for the peace of the nations of ACSA and the various troubled areas within the countries and dioceses of the province. We pray that the God of peace will turn his face and speak peace in the various places and context where peace is needed and for the fulfilment of the desire for peaceful living together of brothers and sisters (Psalm 133) so that they may enjoy the blessings of the Lord on all sides. Join us to pray for ACSA's presence and participation in the various religious and ecumenical spaces that they will model a true prophetic presence and voice in these spaces and champion justice for all people and at all levels.

WEEK 4

A Prayer for Love

... but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments. – Exodus 20.5-6

In the fourth week of the month, we invite you to join us to pray for people of all races, tribes, faith and none in the constituent countries of ACSA, that love shall undergird all relations between all people, tribes and race in the region. Join us to pray that all people in South Africa, Namibia, Lesotho, Eswatini and St. Helene will bear the burden of love and experience same in their personal and communal lives even as they undertake their various tasks and responsibilities. Let us pray that the actions and thoughts of all peoples and communities in the ACSA region will be directed by love for one another regardless of gender, ethnicity, creed, and nationality; that the ministries of the church will be motivated and undergirded by genuine love for all people of faith and none, race, tribe and nationality, acknowledging that all are created in the image and likeness of our Sovereign God.

For access to the electronic version of the worldwide

Anglican Cycle of Prayer, go to

anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx

Additional Prayers

Thanksgiving and Celebration

Join CAPA to thank God for the success of the Primates' and Partners' meetings which ran from August 28 to 30 and for the outcomes of those engagements. Pray that the decisions taken will be furthered, and that the meeting which took place on September 14 will be seen as another landmark of success in our cooperation and walking together.

New ministries – Join us to celebrate and thank God for the commencement of new ministries for the following:

- New Deacons in the Diocese of Juba: Join us to stand with Deacon Aquilla Romai and his colleagues who were admitted into the Diaconate in the Diocese of Juba in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. Join us to pray for them as they start their ministries and for them to acknowledge the faithfulness of the one who has called them into His service.
- New Bishop, Diocese of Akot, Episcopal Church of South Sudan: Join us to thank God and pray for the Rt Rev Matthew Mading on his enthronement as the second Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of Akot in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
- Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion): Let us pray for the Most Rev Dr Blessing Enyindah (DSSRS, JP, AP) Bishop of Diocese of Ikwerre Archbishop of the Province of Niger Delta, as he takes up his new ministry as the Dean of the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)
- Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion): Thank God and pray for the success of the consecration and enthronement of the Venerable Festus Uzorka Nwafili as the second Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of Ndokwa in the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion). Pray that as he begins this new ministry, the Lord will grant him riches of His grace.
- ✤ Anglican Church of Tanzania: Join us to stand in prayer for the Rt. Rev. Luzineth Kingamkon as he is consecrated and enthronement as the Bishop of Mpapwa.
- Igreja Anglicana de Moçambique e Angola (The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola): Join us to lift up prayers for the Rt Rev Filomena Teta Estevao, Bishop of the Diocese of the Good Shepherd in Angola as she was consecrated as the Diocesan Bishop and the first female bishop in IAMA.

Prayer Requests from Various Provinces

Tanzania

✤ We invite you to join us to pray for continued peace in the Diocese of Zanzibar in Tanzania and especially for the Primate who is leading in the negotiations with the various stakeholders to assure lasting peace and sustenance of the ministry of the Anglican Church and the peaceful co-existence between the various faith groups in Zanzibar.

Sudan

Please continue to pray for the situation in Sudan, the efforts at getting the waring parties to the negotiation table and for the safety of all groups and peoples caught in the conflict. Pray especially for safe passages for humanitarian support to the displaced persons and for the parties working towards lasting peace. Please continue to pray for Archbishop Eziekiel Kondo and his team who have been displaced for their base in Khartoum and are now taking shelter in Port Sudan. Pray for the ministry of the Church and other religious groups in these trying moments.

Zimbabwe

 Please pray for the people of Zimbabwe in the post-election counter accusations of unfair and partiality in the recent elections. Stand with us to pray for peaceful resolution to any misunderstanding and the opportunities to seek peaceful resolution to the issues at stake.

West Africa

Please join us to pray for peace in the largely French-speaking West Africa region and the countries of Guinea, Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger where the military have taken overpower (which actions threatens the peace the stability of the entire ECOWAS region). Pray for the various initiatives to return to civilian rulein these countries and especially for the review of the constitution of Guinea.

Gabon

 Pray for the situation in Gabon where the military has also taken over power, ousting President Ali Bongo, and has named General Brice Oligui Nguema as the transitional president. Gabon has been partially expelled from the Commonwealth.

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Pray for CAPA's Ministry

We invite you to pray for CAPA's work in the year 2023 and for our role expressed as in the acronym SPAACER

- **Sustainability** of the Church's presence and ministry on the continent
- Public Image shaping and upholding a positive image of the Anglican Church within Africa and in the global space.
- Accompanying Provinces in various processes and initiatives, including peace building
- Advocacy Shaping, coordinating, and participating in advocacy initiatives with Provinces and other organizations.
- Coordinating creating safe space for Provinces to interact and engage on relevant pastoral issues with some sense of coherence.
- Equipping the Church leadership at various levels with appropriate skills for effective functioning as transformational leaders
- Renewing Church life and fellowship between the provinces as well as their commitment to the Africa transforming agenda

For resource support and commitment to ...

- The CAPA 45th Anniversary, 13th General Assembly and the Third All Africa Bishops' Conference (AABC III) which are scheduled to take place in Kenya after Easter in 2025.
- ✤ For the finalization of the CAPA 2024-2028 Strategic Plan and review of the mandate and strategic focus of CAPA in the face of the current dynamics on the continent and with the global space and in the church.

National Days

Join us to remember and pray this month for the Independence Anniversaries and/or National Days of –

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 4 October
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 12 October
 24 October
 The Republic of Equatorial Guinea
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| Oct | Lectionary and ABM Commemorations and the Australian Cycle of Prayer | ABM Partner + development arm – where appropriate | see www.un.org/en/observances/ international-days-and-weeks for more information about each |
| Sun 1 | Pentecost 18 The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoffrey Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee | The Anglican Church of Kenya ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services | International Day of Older Persons |
| Aon 2 | The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoffrey Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Denise Ferguson and Tim Harris, the clergy and people | The Anglican Church of Melanesia The ACOM Board of Mission | World Habitat Day International Day of Non- Violence |
| Tue 3 | The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people | The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea | |
| Wed 4 | Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher († 1226) The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, the clergy and people | The Church of the Province of Central Africa The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program | World Space Week begins (ends 10 October) |

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| Thu 5 | The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people. | The Church of the Province of Myanmar <i>CPM's Development Desk, and</i> the diocesan Development Desks | |
| 6 Fri | William Tyndale, biblical scholar († 1536) The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people | The Episcopal Church in the Philippines <i>E-CARE</i>, a community development organisation of the <i>ECP</i> See p. 5 | |
| Sat 7 | The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop- Elect Jeremy Greaves, Bishops Cameron Venables and John Roundhill, the clergy and people | The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk See p. 5 | |
| Sun 8 | Pentecost 19 The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop lan Coutts, the clergy and people | The Philippine Independent Church - (Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI) VIMROD - the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI) | |

| 9 9 | The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn Bishop Mark Short; Bishops Carol Wagner and Stephen Pickard, the clergy and people | The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China | World Post Day |
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| Tue 10 | Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces | The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia The Anglican Missions Board, AMB See p. 4 | World Mental Health Day |
| Wed 11 | The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people | The Anglican Church of Hong Kong - Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui - 香港聖公會 See p. 6 | International Day of the Girl Child |
| Thu 12 | Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer, England († 1845) The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people | The Anglican Church of Japan <i>– Nippon Sei Ko Kai –</i> 日本聖公会) See p. 7 | |
| Fri 13 | Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people | The Anglican Church of Korea | International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction |

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| Sat 14 | Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people | The Church of Bangladesh | World Migratory Bird Day |
| Sun 15 | Pentecost 20 The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people | The Church of Ceylon | International Day of Rural Women |
| Mon 16 | Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, bishops and martyrs († 1555) The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart; Bishops Charlie Murry and Sonia Roulston, the clergy and people | The Church of North India | • World Food Day |
| Tue 17 | Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr († ca. 115) The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people | The Church of Pakistan | International Day for the Eradication of Poverty |

| Wed 18 | Luke, evangelist and martyr The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Garry Nelson, the clergy and people | The Church of South India | |
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| Thu 19 | Henry Martyn, missionary and Bible translator in India and Persia († 1812) The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot, the clergy and people | The Church of the Province of South-East Asia (covers Malaysia and Singapore, with missionary congregations in Nepal, Indonesia, Thailand and some parts of Indo-China) See p. 4 | |
| Fri 20 | The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people | The Episcopal Church of South Sudan The Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA | |
| Sat 21 | The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people | The Episcopal Church of Sudan | |
| 27 Sun | Pentecost 21 The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel; Bishops Peter Lin, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Hayward, the clergy and people | NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council | |

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| Mon 23 | James of Jerusalem, brother of our Lord, martyr († ca. 62) • The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, Bishop Chris Jones, clergy and people | • Nungalinya College, Darwin | |
| Tue | United Nations Day (inaugurated 1945) | Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns | World Development Information Day |
| 24 | The Diocese of the Murray – Bishop Keith Dalby, the clergy and people | | Global Media and Global Media and Information Literacy Week begins (ends 31 October) Disarmament Week begins (ends 30 October) |
| Wed 25 | The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people | Episcopal Relief and Development (USA) | |
| Thu 26 | The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people. | The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (Canada) | |

| Fri | Simon and Jude, apostles and martyrs | USPG (UK and Ireland) | World Day for |
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| 27 | Establishment of the Melanesian Brotherhood, 1925 | | Audiovisual Heritage |
| | The Diocese of Willochra – Bishop Jeremy James TSSF, the clergy and people | | |
| Sat 28 | Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers | Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy | |
| Sun | Pentecost 22 | Anglican Discipleship – Jesus- | International Day of Care |
| 29 | Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia | Shaped Life | and Support |
| Mon 30 | Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia | CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa See p. 8 | |
| Tue 31 | Religious Orders of the Anglican Church of Australia | • The Mothers' Union | World Cities Day |
| Displa • 15 | Displacements and Omissions this October 15 October: Teresa of Ávila, teacher († 1592) | | |

Private Prayers



A German postage stamp that commemorates the meeting of St Francis of Assisi with the Sultan of Palestine, Syria, and Egypt, al-Malik al-Kamil, 804 years ago. The meeting took place during the Fifth Crusade and the siege of the Egyptian city of Damietta. Francis failed in his mission to convert the Sultan but impressed the Sultan because of his holiness and his refusal to accept expensive gifts.

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