

Partners Praying Together

July 2024



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. – Psalm 32.6a

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Who are ABM's Partners?

WE ARE ASKING YOU to remember our each of our Australian dioceses, our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partners (such as NATSIAC, Wontulp-Bi-Buya College and Nungalinga College), as well as 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.

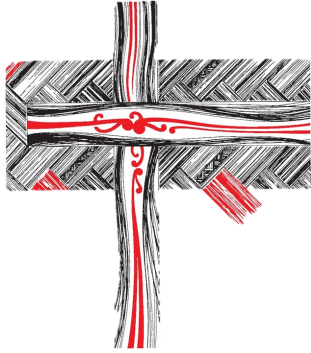
EACH DAY THIS MONTH

- ✠ Lord of light and vision, open our eyes to behold Your presence, to perceive Your love and see Your purpose for us; that rejoicing in Your presence and strengthened by Your love, we may do Your will and become what You have called us to be.
- ✠ Give thanks for the seasonal workers who come to Australia to help with our harvests.
- ✠ Pray for those children whose lives have been affected by domestic violence, especially those who have lost a parent because of it.
- ✠ Pray for all those whose symptoms of covid are long lasting and slow to go.
- ✠ Pray for all those in war zones, and those displaced by war, especially the people of the occupied Palestinian Territories and Israel, as well as the Ukraine.
- ✠ Pray for those sleeping on the streets as winter bites.
- ✠ Heavenly Father, we thank You for making Your ways known to us and guiding us into Your truth. May we remain in Your truth at all times, showing Your love and grace to all we meet.

Prayer Points

from our

Overseas Partners



The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand
and Polynesia

*Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tireni, ki Nga Moutere
o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa*

- ✚ Please pray for people in Aotearoa New Zealand who are struggling with the cost of living crisis. New Zealand is known for its natural beauty and laid-back lifestyle, but if you peel away the veneer, there are a growing number of people who are finding it increasingly hard to survive let alone thrive. We give thanks for agencies like the City Mission and for churches which are the hands and feet of Jesus offering practical help as well as hope.
- ✚ If you need help in praying for events beyond our region, please sign up to *Pray the News*, a weekly prompt that you may find useful: news.anglicanmissions.org.nz/pray
- ✚ Give thanks for the work of the Anglican Alliance as it develops new and innovative ways of building church and community resilience.
- ✚ Pray for the marae and churches impacted by last years Cyclone Gabrielle and for their recovery and ongoing witness.
- ✚ We give thanks for Archbishop Sione Uluilakepa and the Diocese of Polynesia and their commitment to finding new ways of caring for Gods creation and tackling the impacts of climate change.

For access to the electronic version of the worldwide

Anglican Cycle of Prayer 2023–2026, go to

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

香港聖公會

The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

The Anglican Church of Hong Kong

- ✠ Pray for the Minghua Theological College, for its new diploma course for religious education teachers at schools, and its nascent plans for doctorate studies; pray for its mission to equip the people of Hong Kong with the knowledge and skills to better serve the church.
- ✠ Pray for the school children, who are now on their summer break; may they put their time to good use, whether in exploring things beyond their formal curriculum, or in building long-lasting friendships, may they be guided ever closer to God's goodness.
- ✠ Pray for the homeless in this summer, when the heat and the typhoons may yet get worse than ever; pray for the province's social service units, that they may be equipped with the resources and acumen to provide change to those in need of it.



日本聖公会

The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

The Anglican Communion in Japan

- ✠ Give thanks for the facility of the Asian Rural Institute in Tochigi (just outside Tokyo) and its ministry, and pray for the USPG-sponsored leadership training course taking place there this month and all those who attend
- ✠ As we celebrate Sea Sunday, give thanks for the lives of and sacrifices made by seafarers who bring us all we need, eat, wear, use. Pray also for the ministry of the worldwide Mission to Seafarers and especially their work in the Japanese ports of Tokyo, Yokohama and Kobe
- ✠ As the Diocese of Hokkaido celebrates the 150th anniversary of the start of its mission, pray for their bishop, Tazu Sasamori and all clergy and people of the diocese as they seek God's guidance for the way forward
- ✠ As the hot sticky weather descends upon Japan again, we remember and pray for all those who must work outside
- ✠ Please pray for all who work in the emergency services and ask for God's protection to be upon them
- ✠ We remember all who are contemplating suicide at this time, and those who care for them; pray they may all know God's love and providence





The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

الكنيسة الأسقفية في القدس والشرق الأوسط

- ✙ Pray for a lasting ceasefire in the Gaza war
- ✙ Pray for release of all captives
- ✙ Pray for increased humanitarian aid to those in Gaza in desperate need
- ✙ Pray for additional medical supplies, fuel, and staffing for our Ahli Hospital in Gaza City and clinic in Khan Younis

The Anglican Church of Melanesia



- ✙ Pray for God's blessings on the inauguration of the new diocese, the Diocese of South Malaita and Sikaiana. Give thanks for the election of the Rt Rev Rickson Maomaoru (a former ABM Encounter Visitor) to be the first bishop of the diocese.
- ✙ Pray for the Church's efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change and sea level rises.
- ✙ Give thanks that the Mothers' Union will be celebrating their centenary this year.
- ✙ Pray for the Rt Rev Benedict Loe, Bishop of Guadalcanal, who is doing his Episcopal tour throughout the diocese.

Angliken Sios bilong Papua Niu Gini

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

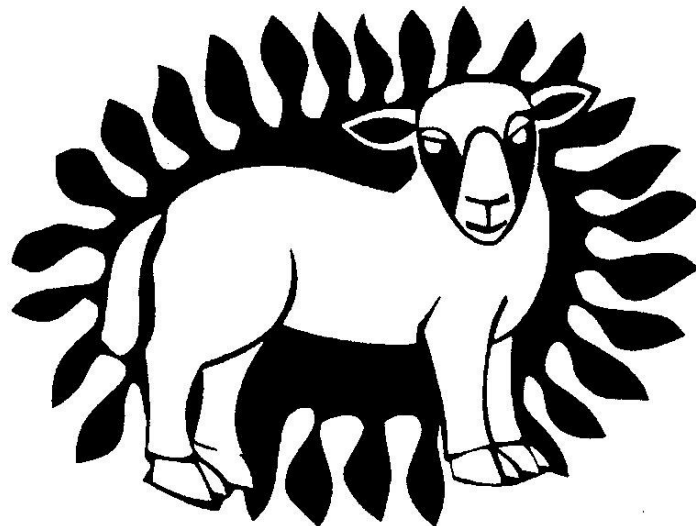


- ✙ We thank our Heavenly Father for the leadership of our General Secretary, Mr Dennis Kabekabe, who will be retiring by the end of this month.
- ✙ We thank God for the appointment of the Bishop-Elect of Port Moresby, Fr Wilfred Mostyn Kekea, currently Dean of St Barnabas's Cathedral in the Anglican Church of Melanesia.
- ✙ Pray for the upcoming ACPNG Provincial Council Meeting to be held in Port Moresby.
- ✙ Pray for all the schools in PNG for their term 2 school holidays.
- ✙ Pray for the stability of the PNG government.

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines



- ✚ Pray for Bishop-elect James Boliget as he prepares to be ordained and consecrated as the Bishop of Central Philippines on 25 July, and especially that he may faithfully proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom by representing Christ and his Church; guarding the faith, unity, and discipline of the whole Church; proclaiming the Word of God; acting in Christ's name for the reconciliation of the world and the building up of the Church; and ordaining others to continue Christ's ministry.
- ✚ Give thanks for 100 years of the Vacation Church School program in the Philippines and pray that it may continue to be an inspiring and life-giving tool for the teaching and nurturing of young believers.
- ✚ Pray for the victims of labour trafficking, especially the hundreds of Filipinos lured to Canada by The Promise Land Consultancy (TPLC), that they will come forward and join the network of other victims and their supporters to help seek justice in Canada and in the Philippines, that their money will be fully refunded and payment for damages will be received, and that these governments will transform this unjust structure of society by prioritizing the protection of worker victims and implementing stringent policies to combat labour trafficking.
- ✚ Pray for the over 26 million enrolled students in the Philippines who are confronted with the multifaceted impacts of climate change, including El Nino bringing intolerable heat, more powerful typhoons, and limited access to water for basic needs, and that government action will ensure that they have uninterrupted access to quality education.



June	Lectionary and ABM Commemorations and the Australian Cycle of Prayer	ABM Partner + <i>development arm</i> – where appropriate	UN Days see www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks for more information about each
Mon 1	<p>Coming of the Light – First missionaries to the Torres Strait (1871)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoff Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Kenya <i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services</i> 	
Tue 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoff Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Denise Ferguson and Tim Harris, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Melanesia <i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i> <i>See p. 6</i> 	
Wed 3	<p>Thomas, apostle and martyr – if not observed on 21 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea <i>Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</i> 	

<p>Thu 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Church of the Province of Central Africa • <i>The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Day of Cooperatives
<p>Fri 5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Church of the Province of Myanmar • <i>CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Kiswahili Language Day
<p>Sat 6</p>	<p>John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs († 1535)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Episcopal Church in the Philippines • <i>E-CARE, a community development organisation of the ECP</i> • See p. 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Kiswahili Language Day
<p>Sun 7</p>	<p>Pentecost 7 [OS 14]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop Jeremy Greaves, Bishops Cameron Venables and John Roundhill, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East • <i>The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk</i> • See p. 6 	

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Mon 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Philippine Independent Church – (<i>Iglesia Filipina Independiente</i>, IFI) <i>VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI</i> 	
Tue 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short; Bishops Carol Wagner and Stephen Pickard, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China 	
Wed 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia <i>The Anglican Missions Board, AMB</i> <i>See p. 4</i> 	

Thu 11	<p>Benedict of Nursia, abbot († 550)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – <i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> – 香港聖公會 <i>See p. 5</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of Reflection and Commemoration of the 1995 Genocide in Srebrenica World Population Day
Fri 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Japan – <i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> – 日本聖公会) <i>See p. 5</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms
Sat 13	<p>Sydney James Kirkby, , bishop, pioneer of outback ministry and Bush Church Aid Society († 1935)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Anglican Church of Korea 	
Sun 14	<p>Pentecost 8 [OS 15] Sea Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Bangladesh 	
Mon 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Ceylon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Youth Skills Day

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Tue 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart; Bishops Charlie Murry and Sonia Roulston, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of North India 	
Wed 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of Pakistan 	
Thu 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Darrell Parker, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Church of South India 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nelson Mandela International Day
Fri 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) 	

Sat 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church of South Sudan <i>The Church’s Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Moon Day World Chess Day
Sun 21	<p>Pentecost 9 [OS 16]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Episcopal Church of Sudan 	
Mon 22	<p>Mary Magdalene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel; Bishops Peter Lin, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Hayward, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council 	
Tue 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, Bishop Chris Jones, clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nungalinya College, Darwin 	
Wed 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Murray – the Ven Simon Waters (Administrator), the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns 	

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Thu 25	<p>James, apostle and martyr</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Episcopal Relief and Development (USA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Drowning Prevention Day
Fri 26	<p>Anne, mother of the BVM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (Canada) 	
Sat 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Diocese of Willochra – Bishop Jeremy James TSSF, the clergy and people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USPG (UK and Ireland) 	
Sun 28	<p>Pentecost 10 [OS 17]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Hepatitis Day

<p>Mon 29</p>	<p>Mary and Martha of Bethany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life 	
<p>Tue 30</p>	<p>William Wilberforce, social reformer († 1833)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Day of Friendship • World Day against Trafficking in Persons
<p>Wed 31</p>	<p>Joseph of Arimathea Ignatius of Loyola, priest and founder of the Society of Jesus († 1556)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious Orders of the Anglican Church of Australia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mothers' Union 	
<p>There are no Displacements and/or Omissions this month</p>			

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.

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