

# Partners Praying Together

## March 2025



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?

**W**E 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* 日本聖公會
14. The Anglican Church of Korea, the *Daehan Seonggonghoe* 대한성공회
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 Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, You were tempted in the wilderness but did not succumb to sin. Help us to withstand the world, the flesh and the devil as we begin our great pilgrimage through Lent.
- ✠ Pray for all those in war zones, and those displaced by war, especially the people of the occupied Palestinian Territories, Lebanon and Israel, as well as Yemen and Ukraine. May the ceasefire in Gaza hold so that reconstruction and rehabilitation can begin
- ✠ Pray that discrimination against people living with disabilities ceases.
- ✠ Pray that attacks on children from heir loved ones and from strangers cease in every country.
- ✠ Give thanks for the current success of invasive species eradication in Western Australia, and pray that it continues.
- ✠ Pray for all those suffering from bowel cancer, especially the young.
- ✠ Continue to pray that the long-running industrial dispute between the NSW government and the unions involved in the train system is resolved so that further major disruption to passengers and businesses is avoided.
- ✠ Jesus our Lord, be with us this Lent and let us hold fast to the narrow way as we follow You through the desert.

# Prayer Points

from our

## Overseas Partners



### The Anglican Church of Ceylon

- ✠ Pray for vocations for the ministry in the Diocese of Kurunagala – we need more full-time priests.
- ✠ Pray for Kurunagala Bishop's College. Since we have begun the process of starting a new school for the Diocese with the support of ABM AID, please pray for all our future endeavours for the much-needed mission of the Diocese.
- ✠ Pray for all of our preparations for the season of Lent
- ✠ Pray for the spiritual upkeep of all our members and clergy.
- ✠ Pray for the Sri Lankan government and leaders - let these changers establish good governance and justice in the Sri Lankan context.

### 日本聖公会

### The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

### The Anglican Communion in Japan



- ✠ Following their resignations, give thanks for the ministry of the bishops of the dioceses of Kobe (Augustine Kobayashi) and Kyoto (Stephen Kochi) and pray for the clergy and people of those dioceses as they consider their future direction
- ✠ Please pray for former Primate of the NSKK and bishop of the diocese of Kyushu Luke Muto and bishop of the diocese of Osaka, Andrew Iso as they come to retirement this month. Give thanks for their ministry and pray for their dioceses going forward, especially the diocese of Kyushu as it holds episcopal elections during March
- ✠ Give thanks for all in Japan who will finish their working lives this month and pray for them in the new and unknown world which is retirement
- ✠ Pray for the Church as it works to tackle discrimination in all forms, especial racial,

and ask God to inspire this month's event in Tokyo

- ✝ Give thanks for the great ecumenical cooperation that exists in Japan and ask God's blessing upon the meeting this month of Roman Catholic, Lutheran and Anglican representatives
- ✝ As warmer weather comes and people head outside to enjoy the cherry blossom, please pray that we may all recognize God's hand in the world about us and above all in the beauty of His creation

## الكنيسة الأسقفية في القدس والشرق الأوسط

### The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

- ✝ Thanksgiving for the Ceasefire in the Gaza War, with prayers for the adoption of its later phases, bringing the war to an end
- ✝ Strengthening of our Ahli Arab Hospital staff as they continue Christ's healing ministry
- ✝ Calm in the West Bank, with a stop to the settler violence against Palestinian towns and villages.
- ✝ Thanksgiving for the inauguration of Joseph Aoun as the new President of Lebanon, with prayers for the rebuilding of that country
- ✝ Thanksgiving for an end to the 14-year Civil War in Syria, with prayers for a just and lasting peace there, and protection of all minorities.



### The Anglican Church of Kenya

- ✝ **Bishops' Capacity Building in Church, Community Mobilization Process (CCMP):** We thank God for a successful bishops' capacity building workshop held on 11th to 14th February 2025 at Grace Conference Centre in Kericho Diocese. The main objectives were to:
  - Empower people to holistically transform their lives/ situation using God given locally available resources.
  - Empower the church to develop its vision as well as that of its immediate community, committing to use CCMP as a tool to achieve the vision, by ministering holistically to its immediate community.
- ✝ **Hosting Safe Church Conference – 1- 4 May 2025:** The Anglican Church will host the Safe Church Conference in Nairobi Kenya from 1st – 4th May 2025. Participants are expected from the Anglican Communion worldwide. Please pray for the local



organizing committee as they put plans in place for the conference. Pray also for delegates as they plan and purpose to attend the conference that God will grant them journey mercies and safety during the travels.

- ✠ **Pray for Church in her prophetic role:** Pray that the Church will continue to play her prophetic role as it speaks for the voiceless in the society. That justice will be seen in our churches, communities, NGO's and Government based institutions and department.
- ✠ **Transitions:** Pray for the forthcoming consecration services for the following bishops-elect:
  - The Ven Canon Jonathan Kabiru – Nairobi Diocese on 16 March 2025
  - The Ven Canon Gerald Muriithii – Mt Kenya West Diocese on 23 March 2025.Pray for smooth and peaceful Bishopric election processes in the following Dioceses and that God will appoint a servant leader for His people in those dioceses.
  - Machakos Diocese
  - Garissa Diocese
- ✠ **Pray for the Government of Kenya:** to intensify fight against corruption and other evils in the society e.g economic crimes. Pray for stability and sober political engagements in the counties and entire country.
- ✠ **Pray for the victims of gender-based violence** that they will find peace, justice and love within the Church and her institutions.
- ✠ **Pray for world peace:** Pray for stability and peace in the world especially in the face of war in various countries and regions, that the love of God will be evident and shared among God's people
  - When there is peace in the world, people are able to worship without fear.
  - Peace means there is going to be growth and prosperity among nations.
- ✠ **Pray for the education sector** both formal and non-formal programs
  - that the new curriculum based education system will continue to be embraced positively by both parents and children and other stakeholders in the sector.
  - Pray for the children who learn through both the formal and informal ('home schooling') program.

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# 대한성공회

## Daehan Seonggonghoe

### The Anglican Church of Korea



- ✠ **Prayers for the Bishops:** Please pray for Bishop Elijah Kim Jang-Hwan of the Diocese of Seoul, Bishop Titus Kim Ho-Wook of the Diocese of Daejeon, and Bishop Onesimus Park Dong-Shin of the Diocese of Busan. May they faithfully fulfill their mission in God's grace and love, and may they serve the Church with wisdom and compassion.
- ✠ **9 March: Commencement of 'Lectionary Reading Small Groups' at Seoul Cathedral:** Please pray for the newly launched 'Lectionary Reading Small Groups' at Seoul Cathedral this Lent. After six weeks of leader training, these groups will begin on March 9, gathering every Sunday after the Eucharist to read, meditate on, and apply the day's lectionary readings together. May this initiative inspire many congregants to grow deeper in their understanding of God's Word and lead to a spiritual revival within the community.
- ✠ **14 March: 15th Anniversary of Grace Café:** Café Grace, operated by the GFS of the Anglican Church of Korea, celebrates its 15th anniversary on 14 March. Located in the courtyard of Seoul Cathedral, this coffee shop supports North Korean defector women in achieving economic independence and adapting to South Korean society. Please pray that through Café Grace, these individuals may find stability and experience God's love and grace.
- ✠ **22 March: Busan Diocese Mothers' Union Annunciation Choir Festival:** On 22 March, the Busan Diocese Mothers' Union will hold a choir festival in celebration of the Annunciation. Please pray that all members may unite in praising God and participate in the event with joy. On the same day and at the same venue, the National Mothers' Union 100th Anniversary Planning and Executive Committees will meet. Pray that under the Lord's guidance, the committees may prepare well for the 100th-anniversary celebration in September.

### The Anglican Church of Melanesia

- ✠ Pray for the success of the safeguarding policy socialisation this month to all the religious orders.
- ✠ Pray for us as we prepare for the Mission and Education symposium in June.
- ✠ Pray for the Celebration of 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Anglican Church of Melanesia as a separate Anglican Province, also in June.





- ✝ Give thanks for the upcoming Melanesian Brotherhood centenary preparations. The Centenary celebrations will be held in September and October.
- ✝ Give thanks for the upcoming ORAC and Fono meetings in New Zealand.



## The Church of the Province of Myanmar

- ✝ **Cessation of Civil War:** Pray for an end to the civil war in Myanmar and the establishment of genuine, lasting peace and reconciliation throughout the country.
- ✝ **Support for Affected Dioceses:** Of our nine dioceses, eight are located in war zones. Pray for the displaced individuals and refugees in these areas, including our church members.
- ✝ **Church Resilience:** The ongoing civil war has severely impacted the church in Myanmar—socially, economically, financially, psychologically, and spiritually. Pray for strength and resilience during these challenging times.
- ✝ **Protection for Youth:** Many young people are attempting to evade conscription laws by fleeing to neighboring countries, often without proper documentation. Pray for their safety and for their parents, who are experiencing immense distress.
- ✝ **Archbishop's Safety:** Pray for the Archbishop, who leads the Christian Peace Supporting Committee and faces threats to his life.
- ✝ **Construction Projects:** CPM has to build a church, an Anglican Peace Center, and a parsonage on government-donated land. These projects are to be completed within four to five years, despite lacking firm financial security. Pray for the necessary resources and support.
- ✝ **Christian Unity:** Pray for all Christian churches in Myanmar to unite in Christ.

## The Episcopal Church in the Philippines



- ✝ Give thanks for the successful celebration marking the 28th anniversary of the concordat of Full Communion between The Episcopal Church in the Philippines and the *Iglesia Filipina Independiente* (Philippine Independent Church), and pray that together they can more effectively proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom to the Filipino people.
- ✝ Give thanks for the increasing numbers of active Lay Ministers volunteering their time as bible study facilitators and worship



leaders in the Episcopal Diocese of Santiago, and pray that as they strive to identify opportunities to expand their mission and ministry alongside their clergy that opportunities to teach, baptise and nurture new believers will also arise.

- ✠ Pray for the successful installation of The Rt. Rev. Nestor D. Poltic as the 8th Prime Bishop of The Episcopal Church in the Philippines on March 12, and especially for the ministry and witness of the province under his leadership.
- ✠ Give thanks for the ministry of Migrante International and pray especially for the success of its worldwide campaign in support of a family living wage in the Philippines as it strives to transform unjust structures of society.
- ✠ Give thanks for the administrative order of the Philippine government's Department of Environment and Natural Resources requiring mining firms to include biodiversity conservation and climate action in their social development management programs within their host community plans, and pray that this contribution towards achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals will be effectively monitored and enforced.

## **The Episcopal Church of South Sudan**

- ✠ The South Sudan Government has again failed at the Tumaini talks in Nairobi which is supposed to bring in the holdout groups so that peace is realized in the country. Pray that the Lord intervenes and make it possible for the leaders to compromise for peace.
- ✠ The Church in South Sudan, despite the challenges of Insecurity and other factors, is growing, so it's growing with its challenges where many families do not get food or medication or even clean water.
- ✠ Cattle raiders are rampantly roaming in the Equatoria region affecting farmers as well as the market.
- ✠ Pray for all the needy, for street children and the elderly who are the most vulnerable.





## The Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa

### Prayer Focus this month: The Provinces of Burundi and Rwanda

#### **WEEK 1**

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

*Do you see someone skilled in their work? They will serve before kings; they will not serve before officials of low rank.* – Proverbs 22.29

We come into the third month of the year with gratitude to God for His faithfulness, and his bounteous graces and mercies showered on us so far. We come into the month of February lifting up prayers before the Lord for the Provinces of Burundi and Rwanda under the leadership of Most Rev Sixbert Macumi (Burundi) and Most Rev Dr Laurent Mbanda (Rwanda). We remember and pray for the College of Bishops, Clergy and Lay Leaders who (together with the Primates) provide both spiritual and temporal leadership to the members of the Churches in Burundi and Rwanda and their communities. We pray for unity and single-mindedness among the ministers (both the ordained and lay) and also among the political, social and tribal leaders who, together with the church, work towards the well-being of the people, their prosperity and the peace of the nations. Let us pray that the leaders will provide accountable leadership and stewardship even as we pray for wisdom for them to shepherd the people of faith and none. Let us pray particularly at this time of crisis between Rwanda and Burundi with their neighbour, the Democratic Republic of Congo, that being enlightened by the Holy Spirit, the Church will lead in the pursuit of justice, peace and respect for each other in their various faith and tribal communities.

#### **WEEK 2**

##### **A Prayer for Mercy, Healing and Fruitfulness**

*But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.*

– Isaiah 53.5

In the second week of March, we pray for fruitfulness, good health and mercy for God's people in Burundi and Rwanda. We pray that the countries and their peoples will increase and multiply in all their undertakings and be healed of all their infirmities and diseases. We pray for God's continued mercy and healing of the trauma suffered by the many families

and communities affected by the recurrent challenges occasioned by the protracted conflicts in DR Congo and those affected by political and economic instability in the countries of Burundi and Rwanda. Join us to pray for the safety of women, young girls, children and the elderly who are adversely impacted by displacements occasioned by the insurgency in eastern DR Congo which has spilled over into Burundi and Rwanda and for those who have been displaced from DR Congo and are being hosted by the Church and communities in Burundi and Rwanda. Join us to pray for the various health and healing ministries of the Church and for all those whose work and ministries bring healing and restoration to the sick, the traumatized and those challenged emotionally and psychologically within the dioceses of the provinces and their communities. We remember and pray for the ministries of the various groups in the Church, the Mothers' Union, the Men Ministries, the Youth and Children ministries and their support in bringing healing and hope to those who suffer.

### **WEEK 3**

#### **A Prayer for Peace**

*You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.*

– Isaiah 26.3

In the third week of the month of March, we invite you to join us to pray for the peace of the Church and the constituent dioceses of the provinces of Burundi and Rwanda. We pray for the peaceful co-existence of the various political, tribal and faith groups in the countries of Burundi and Rwanda and between the countries and their neighbours. We pray for all whose efforts and actions engender peace among the people and faith groups and pray for God's peace to undergird the ministries and mission of the Church and in the nations and for the pursuit of justice and godly actions in governance, commerce and trade, education and life-moulding actions and within the various institutions of the nation and the Church. We pray that the countries of Burundi and Rwanda and their peoples will know and experience the peace of Christ in their challenging political and socio-economic circumstances. We pray for peaceful social and political relations between the various ethnic groups and peoples as well as political parties and faith groups in the countries and for the betterment of the nations and their people.

### **WEEK 4**

#### **A Prayer for Love**

*And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.*

– Colossians 3.14

In the fourth week of March, we pray for endearing love among the various faiths, tribes, communities and the members of the various dioceses and communities in the provinces of Burundi and Rwanda. We pray that all people will bear the burden of loving one another

and experience the same in their personal and communal lives even as they undertake their various missions and ministries in love and in service to each other. Let us pray that policies, programmes, actions and thoughts of leaders and members of the church and other faith communities, will be directed by love for one another regardless of gender, ethnicity, creed, and nationality; that the mission of the church will be motivated and undergirded by genuine love for all people of faith and none, acknowledging that all are created in the image and likeness of our Sovereign Lord. Pray for all who are socially disconnected, lonely and without any social connection or support.

## Additional Prayers

### Thanksgiving and Celebration

#### ✠ *Diocese of Lesotho*

We join the Female Africa Bishops (Africa Six), along with mission partners to give thanks to God for the success of their gathering in the Diocese of Lesotho to collaboratively explore and develop innovative strategies aimed at empowering and uplifting women, particularly in leadership roles. Their shared vision is to create a church that embodies essential principles such as accountability, safety and inclusivity for all congregants in their areas of influence as Bishops. Of the six Female Bishops, four(4) are Diocesan Bishops in Lesotho, Eswatini, Diocese of the Good Shepherd (Angola) and Buteri (Kenya) while the other two are Assistant Bishops in the Dioceses of Bondo (Kenya) and Rumbek (South Sudan). Join us to continue to pray for them and their ministries.

#### ✠ *Anglican Development Services – Eastern Kenya*

We join the Anglican Development Services, Eastern Kenya (ADSE) to give thanks to God for the impact of their community empowerment programme with the support from the ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION - AUSTRALIA through the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP). The programme seeks to empower communities in rural areas in Eastern Kenya through trainings on group leadership, financial management, recordkeeping, conflict resolution and group dynamics to promote community cohesion and Village Saving and Loaning Activities .The trainings have changed their lives and [here is a case](#) of Mutuku Nzambu, a member of the Kyumbuke CBO of Kyua Location of Machakos County. In addition, ADSE's interventions support access to potable water, agro-forestry and climate-smart interventions in the arid and semi-arid communities in Eastern Kenya. ADSE is part of ADSK which is the development arm of the Anglican Church of Kenya.

✠ *Democratic Republic of Congo*

Join us to pray for peace in the Democratic Republic of Congo and among their neighbours – Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda who share a common border in the eastern part of the country. At least 773 people have been reported killed with over 2500 people displaced in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo's (DRC) largest city of Goma and its vicinity in a week, amid fighting with Rwanda-backed M23 rebels who captured the city in a serious escalation of a decade-long conflict, authorities said. According to official reports from DR Congo, "these figures remain provisional because the rebels asked the population to clean the streets of Goma. There should be mass graves and the Rwandans took care to evacuate theirs," a Congolese government spokesman, Patrick Muyaya told a briefing on Saturday (1 February) in the capital Kinshasa, adding that the death toll could be higher. M23 is the most potent of more than 100 armed groups vying for control in DRC's mineral-rich east, which holds vast deposits critical to much of the world's technology. They are backed by about 4,000 troops from neighbouring Rwanda, according to United Nations experts. Recent updates report no water, electricity and no internet connectivity in Goma, making the humanitarian situation dire. A statement by the Rt. Rev. Martin Gordon, Bishop of Goma, shed more light on the situation there and issued the international Goma Call for Peace. In a related incident, there has been a joint Protestants Catholics collaborative initiative to launch roadmap to seeking lasting peace in the Congo conflict which has been raging since 1997.

✠ *Church of the Province of Central Africa – Green Anglicans Malawi*

We join our brothers and sisters in the GREEN ANGLICANS MALAWI to thank God for the success of their 1 February 2025 initiative of cleaning parts of the Kawale community in Malawi. Together with 60 passionate volunteers, the Green Anglicans conducted a major plastic waste clean-up at Kawale Market and Hospital area showing exactly why the thin plastics ban matters. Earlier last two years, the Green Anglicans in Malawi, with the support of the Anglican Church and other agencies, secured a landmark court ruling banning single-use and thin plastics in Malawi. The clean-up exercise was a practical demonstration of the commitment of the Church and agents to ensure the enforcement of the court ruling and to create further awareness and sensitization among the populace of the negative impact of the use of thin plastics. We join the leadership of the Green Anglicans to say a massive thank you to everyone who braved the heat to join in the exercise. The enthusiasm was simply incredible! Special mention to the amazing youth volunteers and market leaders who worked tirelessly to make this happen. Invitation goes out to all to join in the Church's mission to Care for God's Creation.

✠ *The Diocese of Upper Shire, Malawi*

The Diocesan Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Upper Shire (and Eco-Bishop), has mobilized the youth in the Diocese to adopt and plant grass around the Diocesan

Centre as part of his efforts to grow, empower and sensitize the youth on creation care and to also protect and make the Diocesan Centre eco-friendly. Bishop William Joseph Mchombo is one of the active Eco-Bishops in the Church of the Province of Central Africa (Botswana, Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe). His enthusiasm for the Care of Creation is typically exemplified from his home, where together with his family he has created a green space in their home through the enthusiastic growing of trees and ornaments which serves both to protect the environment and to also serve as an economic opportunity for the family

✠ *Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean*

We join the Province of the Indian Ocean (Madagascar, Mauritius and Seychelles) to give thanks to God for the success of their Provincial Synod held in Mahajanga, in Madagascar during which Archbishop James Wong brought his tenure as Primate to a close and a new Primate, the Most Rev Dr Gilbert Ratelison, Bishop of the Diocese of Fianarantsoa (Madagascar) was elected the new Primate. He was installed Cathedral in Fianarantsoa on 19 January 2025

## Various Prayers

✠ *Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola*

We join the IAMA to give thanks to God for the successful installation of the Most Rev Vincente Misosaas the Primate of the province and for his vision to grow the church through mission and evangelism.

✠ *Mozambique*

We continue to uphold the country of Mozambique and its neighbours in prayer as the impact of the political crises is felt within and outside the borders of the country. Despite the swearing of the new government, there is still an uneasy calm with the opposition calling for justice and fairness. The neighbours of Mozambique, especially Malawi, still bear the burden of the influx of refugees who fled the fighting and rioting that followed after the elections. Join us to pray for humanitarian support for the displaced and for peace in the ongoing dialogue between the government and the opposition in Mozambique.

## Upcoming Events

✠ *CAPA Triple Event:*

Please join us to pray for the CAPA Triple Event which takes place in 2025.

The Primates, in their October meeting, approved the dates and themes for the events as follows:

CAPA ASSEMBLY Date: 9th-11th June (Arrival will be 8th June)

Theme: CAPA – an authentic instrument of Anglican Mission in Africa

## CAPA@45

This will be an evening event of celebration and awards for the 45 years of ministry of CAPA. Primates approved the suggestion for awards to be given to some deserving individuals, partners and institutions.

## AABC III

Date: 11th-15th June (Early arrivals from 10th June and departures on 16th)

Theme and sub-themes:

Main Theme: The African Anglican Mission Agenda

Sub-Themes:

- a. The Africa Anglican Spirituality and Identity
- b. Holistic Gospel Proclamation for a Self-Sustaining Anglican Church in Africa
- c. The Anglican Church's Response to the paradoxes of the continent
  - i. Poverty in the midst of plenty
  - ii. Environmental and Climate Justice
  - iii. Gender-Based Violence and the integrity and safety of women and girls
- d. An Africa Anglican Youth Ministry Agenda

Please join us to pray towards the success of the Triple Events and for the needed resources. Pray especially for the work of the Planning Committee under the leadership of Archbishop Jackson Ole Sapit, Primate of Kenya and the Vice Chairman of CAPA.

## Pray for CAPA's Ministry

**We invite you to pray for CAPA's work in the year 2024 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 ...**

- ✦ 2024 Core Budget funding and Programmes
- ✦ Church and Community Mobilization Process (CCMP) Envisioning and Facilitators' training in Eswatini
- ✦ Sustainable Theological Education in Africa in 2024

## **National Days**

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

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| 6 March  | The Republic of Ghana: Independence Day   |
| 12 March | The Republic of Mauritius: National Day   |
| 20 March | The Republic of Tunisia: Independence Day |
| 21 March | The Republic of Namibia: Independence Day |

Mar	Lectionary and ABM Commemorations and the Australian Cycle of Prayer	ABM Partner + development arm - where appropriate	UN Days see <a href="http://www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks">www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks</a> for more information about each
Sat 1	David, Bishop of Menevia, Wales († 601) • The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoff Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Kenya <i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services</i> <i>See p. 5</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zero Discrimination Day – UNAIDS</li> <li>World Seagrass Day</li> </ul>
Sun 2	Ordinary Sunday 8 or Last Sunday after the Epiphany • The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoff Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Tim Harris, and Sophie Reif-Christopher, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Melanesia <i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i> <i>See p. 7</i></li> </ul>	
Mon 3	• The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Wildlife Day</li> </ul>
Tue 4	• The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Central Africa</li> <li><i>The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program</i></li> </ul>	

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Wed 5	<p>Ash Wednesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Myanmar</li> <li><i>CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks</i></li> </ul> <p><i>See p. 8</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness</li> </ul>
Thu 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church in the Philippines</li> <li><i>E-CARE, a community development organisation of the ECP</i></li> </ul> <p><i>See p. 8</i></p>	
Fri 7	<p>Perpetua and her companions, martyrs at Carthage († 203)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop Jeremy Greaves, Bishops Cameron Venables, John Roundhill and Sarah Plowman, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East</li> <li><i>The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk</i></li> </ul> <p><i>See p. 5</i></p>	

<p><b>Sat</b> <b>8</b></p>	<p>John of God, worker among the sick and poor, Spain († 1550)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coumts, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Philippine Independent Church – (<i>Iglesia Filipina Independiente</i>, IFI)</li> <li>• <i>VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development</i>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Women's Day</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sun</b> <b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Lent 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short; Bishops Carol Wagner and Vanessa Bennett, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Mon</b> <b>10</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia</li> <li>• <i>The Anglican Missions Board, AMB</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Day of Women Judges</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tue</b> <b>11</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – <i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> – 香港聖公會</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Wed</b> <b>12</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Anglican Church of Japan – <i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> – 日本聖公会)</li> </ul> <p><b>See p. 4</b></p>	

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Thu 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people</li> </ul>	<p>The Anglican Church of Korea – Daehan Seonggonghoe – 대한성공회 See p. 7</p>	
Fri 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Bangladesh</li> </ul>	
Sat 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<p>The Church of Ceylon See p. 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day to Combat Islamophobia</li> </ul>
Sun 16	<p>Lent 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart; Bishops Charlie Murry and Sonia Roulston, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of North India</li> </ul>	

<p><b>Mon</b> <b>17</b></p>	<p>Patrick, missionary to Ireland († 461)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Church of Pakistan</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Tue</b> <b>18</b></p>	<p>Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop and teacher († 386)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Darrell Parker, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Church of South India</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Wed</b> <b>19</b></p>	<p>Joseph, Husband of the BVM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishops Kate Wilmot, Hans Christiansen and David Bassett, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Thu</b> <b>20</b></p>	<p>Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary († 687)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Episcopal Church of South Sudan</li> <li>• <i>The Church’s Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA</i> <b>See p. 9</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Day of Happiness</li> <li>• French Language Day</li> </ul>

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<b>Fri 21</b>	<p>Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, martyr and liturgist († 1556)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Sudan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination begins (till 27 March)</li> <li>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</li> <li>World Poetry Day</li> <li>International Day of Nowruz</li> <li>World Down Syndrome Day</li> <li>World Day for Glaciers</li> </ul>
<b>Sat 22</b>	<p>Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, teacher († 1711)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel; Bishops Peter Lin, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Hayward, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Water Day</li> </ul>



<b>Sun</b> <b>23</b>	<b>Lent 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, Bishop Chris Jones,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nungalinya College, Darwin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Meteorological Day</li> </ul>
<b>Mon</b> <b>24</b>	Óscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, martyr († 1980) Paul Couturier, ecumenist († 1953) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Murray – the Ven Simon Waters (Administrator), the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pray for the staff and students of Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns, as they grieve the college's closure.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Tuberculosis Day</li> <li>International Day for the Right to the Truth concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims</li> </ul>
<b>Tue</b> <b>25</b>	<b>The Annunciation to the BVM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade</li> <li>International Day of Solidarity with Detained and</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b> <b>26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alongside Hope (formerly the Primate's Fund for World Relief and Development, Canada)</li> </ul>	

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Thu 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeremy James TSSF, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USPG (UK and Ireland)</li> </ul>	
Fri 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy</li> </ul>	
Sat 29	John Keble, priest († 1866) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life</li> </ul>	
Sun 30	Lent 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa See p. 10</li> </ul>	
Mon 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religious Orders of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Mothers' Union</li> </ul>	
<b>Displacements and/or Omissions this month:</b>			
2 Mar – Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, missionary († 672)			
9 Mar – Sister Emma SSA, Superior of the Society of the Sacred Advent, Queensland († 1939)			