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Rev Canon Robert Kereopa, Chief Executive Officer, with Bishop Ngarahu, translator Charlie Childforever and Bishop Lydia at Mishamikoweesh Bible Camp, Lake Kingfisher, Canada

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”

Ephesians 6:18

We should never underestimate the importance and power of prayer. Every year and every day the prayers of our church are heard and felt by our partners all around the world. Please join our community of prayer as we all continue to lift up and support one another in a time where many are struggling and living through conflict and fear.

Through this booklet, each day of the month is dedicated through prayer to the work of a certain group of partners. It is an important resource that enables us to remember those who are struggling, those who are working to improve the lives of others, and those who we are called to love and support. As we pray through partners in prayer we are simultaneously praying with a worldwide community, with the intention to spread the love of God.

Anglican Missions maintains valuable partnership all over the world and we hope to support each other spiritually through prayer as much as financially.

“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.” 1 John 5:14

Know that when you continue to join us every day in praying with our worldwide family, your prayers are heard, they are needed and they are greatly appreciated by many.

Many blessings to you all.

Canon Robert Kereopa
Anglican Missions Board



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

LAND IN FIJI

DAY 01

Today we pray for everyone without a place to call home. We pray in particular for the landless and homeless people in Fiji and those affected by natural disaster.

Landless People: Nadawa

There are 12 Anglican families in Nadawa who have been squatting on land owned by the *Nasinu Land Purchase Co-operative*. After many years of negotiations for ownership of the 3.5 acres, this has been approved in principle. The Diocese is waiting for approval to pay at least 50% of the cost of the land. The development of the subdivision is continuing with roads beginning to be constructed easing travelling from homes to the main roads and for children going to schools.

Pray for Rev'd Wame Tuidama and the people of St Philips at Nadawa as they look to a future that is secure.

We give thanks for...

- The progress made in assisting and supporting this community.
- The work of the Diocese of Polynesia to ensure those under its care have a secure place to call home.

Survivors of Natural Disasters: Communities including Maniava, Wainaloka, Wailailai

In 2016 a severe tropical Cyclone brought a lot of suffering to the people of Fiji. In the Diocese, people in Maniava, Wainaloka & Wailailai lost homes, crops, livelihoods.

Pray that the fears will be dispelled and for continued courage, and resources, to rebuild communities, homes, crops and livelihoods.

Collect

Our Pacific islands are yours, O Lord, and all the seas that surround them. You made the palm trees grow and the birds fly in the air. When we see your beautiful rising sun and hear the waves splash our shores, we know, Lord, how wonderfully you bless our people.

“He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” 1 Thessalonians 5: 10-11



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

PEOPLE OF FIJI

DAY 02

Today we pray for:

House of Sarah

Pray for the work of the House of Sarah, providing specifically Christian counselling in the region responding to gender inequality, discrimination and the elimination of violence against women and children. As well as providing referrals to services for women in need; the House of Sarah has fostered ecumenical partnerships, encouraging Christians to work together to end domestic violence in the Pacific.

Anglicare Polynesia

Anglicare Polynesia is the social welfare and development agency of the Diocese of Polynesia. Since 2012, it has also become the focal point for the disaster response and rehabilitation activities of the Diocese. Anglicare Polynesia monitors all the community development projects, ensuring that these are carried out to the highest standards. It also coordinates the implementation of social justice projects. **Pray for Anglicare Polynesia and their work.**

We also pray for...

- The Most Reverend Dr Winston Halapua – Primate, Archbishop, and Bishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia
- The Rt Rev Gabriel Sharma – studying at St John's College, Auckland
- The Rt Rev Apimeleki Qiliho
- The Ven Lotumali'i Leatuaio Larry Tupā'i-Lavea – Archdeacon of Aotearoa, New Zealand
- The Ven Orisi Vuki – Archdeacon of Suva & Ovalau
- The Ven Henry Bull – Archdeacon of Vanua Levu & Taveuni
- Mr Henry Manulevu – Archdeacon of Viti Levu West
- Rev Sereima Lomaloma, Ministry Officer, Diocese of Polynesia & Anglicare Polynesia
- Diocesan Secretary, Registrar John Simmons and the administration staff
- The clergy and people of Fiji.

Collect

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength now and always.

"May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.

1 Thessalonians 3:12



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

SUPPORTING THE
VULNERABLE

DAY 03

Today we pray for those in the community who are especially vulnerable and those restricted by illness or disability.

Planned Drop In Centre for children who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation

The Diocese of Polynesia is working on establishing a drop-in centre for children who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation. This pilot project (CSEC – “Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children”) aims to set up a centre, based in Fiji, which will serve as a refuge to offer shelter, medical treatment, counselling, training and education to these children.

We pray for...

Pray for the development of the pilot project, that it will be successful in providing a safe place as a drop In Centre for these children at risk. Pray for all those working to lay the ground work for the Centre and pray for all agencies and individuals aiming to provide this safe place for girls to come and receive medical help, counselling, training for life and employment and loving Christian care.

We also pray for...

For the plans to establish a boys home where boys over 13 years of age, who can no longer stay at St Christopher's Home will be able to be cared for in this new place.

Pray also for the ministry of the Community of the Sacred Name.

We give thanks for...

- The Sisters of the Moana Community of St Claire and the staff of St Christopher's Home, who provide a loving and safe home for many vulnerable people, children, and young people without families in Fiji.

Collect

Heavenly Father, you see how your children hunger for food, and fellowship, and faith. Bless those who work to bring relief to the vulnerable; and inspire generosity and compassion in our hearts. Help us to meet one another's needs of body, mind and spirit, in the love of Christ our Saviour.

“For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.” 1 Thessalonians 2:11-12



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

SAMOA & TONGA

DAY 04

Today we pray for the people of Samoa, Tonga, and American Samoa.

We pray for...

- The Archdeaconry of Samoa and its Archdeacon
The Ven Taimalelagi Tuatagaloa
- The Archdeaconry of Tonga and its Archdeacon
The Ven Amanake Tu'itavake
- The Archdeacon of American Samoa
- Clergy and lay ministers in Samoa, American Samoa and Tonga
- St Andrew's High School, Nuku'alofa, Tonga
- The Sisters of the Community of the Sacred Name
- The people of Samoa, Tonga, and American Samoa as they deal with the changing climate and threat and recovery from natural disasters.

We give thanks for...

- The teams of volunteers who work regularly at St Andrew's High School, Nuku'alofa, Tonga to improve the school's buildings and resources to ensure the children have a safe learning environment.
- Simon and Rachel Tipping – working at St Andrew's High School in Tonga.

Collect

God our light, make your Church like a rainbow shining and proclaiming to all the world that the storm is at an end, there is peace for those who seek it and love for the forgiving.

“But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.” 1 Thessalonians 5:8



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

YOUNG PEOPLE

DAY 05

Today we pray for the youth of the Diocese of Polynesia.

We pray for...

- The many educational institutions that are dedicated to giving young people a hope and a future
- The staff and students at:
 - Bishop Kempthorne Memorial School, Suva
 - St John's Anglican Primary School, Suva
 - St James' Anglican School, Levuka
 - Holy Trinity Anglican School, Suva
 - St Paul's Anglican School, Naviavia
 - St Mary's Anglican Primary School, Labasa
 - All Saints' Secondary School, Labasa
 - Basden College, Suva
 - St Andrew's High School, Nuku'alofa, Tonga
 - All Saints Anglican Primary School, Samoa
 - Children's Ministry throughout the Diocese
 - The Lotu Youth Mission Community

We give thanks for...

- All who lead children & youth ministries
- Opportunities to meet together and to network and share resources.

Collect

Thank you God for the gift of youth, for the young people of today, who are unafraid to look life in the face and give themselves to it. Help us to recognise young people in our church and community and to value their contribution to our life together.

“(The Proverbs of Solomon) for attaining wisdom and discipline; for understanding words of insight; for acquiring a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair.” Proverbs 1: 2-3



DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

MISSION SUPPORT

DAY 06

Today we pray for the people assisted by the Mission Support Project within the Diocese of Polynesia.

21 stipendiary clergy and 6 non-stipendiary clergy are partly supported in their ministries by funds provided by the Anglican Missions Board. "Mission Support" contributes to their ministries in their communities. Undergirded by the 2013 Diocese Synod theme "In Christ We Move Together", clergy and laity work together to proclaim the gospel in a multi-cultural and multi-religious society.

Most priests are self-supporting or "worker" priests who work between 20 and 30 hours a week carrying out their ministry duties while still providing for their families.

In the rural areas this involves maintaining a small subsistence plot of land. The Church in Polynesia wants to increase the number of priests who are able to minister fulltime without also having to be the fulltime breadwinner for their families.

The Anglican Church in Polynesia has 26 parishes spread over Fiji, Samoa, American Samoa and Tonga as well as 4 parishes in New Zealand. In Fiji each parish has a number of worship centres many of which have congregations in excess of 100 people. Many church members are seasonal workers and earn very little. As a result churches are a long way off being able to fund their own Priest.

We pray for the worker priests throughout Polynesia who are called to share the gospel and deepen the discipleship of parishioners.

Collect

Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family; give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to all people, in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." Colossians 3: 16



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

PEOPLE OF PNG
DAY 07

Today we pray for Papua New Guinea. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (ACPNG) faces many challenges as it continues to bring hope to the many communities it ministers to.

Currently there are 110 parishes and numerous mission districts with 112 priests engaged in active ministries. Approximately 4% of the population are Anglican (about 250,000 Anglicans).

Extensive training programmes are being undertaken at provincial and diocesan levels to equip and upskill people, especially in the areas of ministry formation and outreach.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Clyde Igara – Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- The Rt Rev. Tennyson Bogar – Bishop of Dogura
- The Rt Rev. Denny Guka – Bishop of Port Moresby
- The Rt Rev Lindsley Ihove – Bishop of Popondetta
- The Rt Rev Dr Nathan Ingen – Bishop of Aipo Rongo
- The Rt Rev Allan Migi – Bishop of New Guinea Islands
- The clergy and lay people of Papua New Guinea
- Margaret Poynton – NZCMS Mission Partner serving as Executive Assistant to Archbishop Clyde
- Dr Dennis Kabekabe – General Secretary and all the staff who work in the National Office.

Collect

Jesus, receive our love and worship. Show us how to give you what we have, for nothing is too big or small for us to offer, or for you to use.

“For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority.” Colossians 2: 9-10



ANGLICAN CHURCH OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

THEOLOGICAL
EDUCATION

DAY 08

Today we pray for education and educators in Papua New Guinea. It is estimated that more than a thousand different cultural groups exist in PNG with more than 820 different languages and this diversity makes for some significant mission challenges.

Newton Theological College

Newton Theological College has a strong and on-going commitment to providing theologically competent and well equipped priests in Papua New Guinea. The college has a reputation for high quality theological education for future priests, as well as programmes for their families.

Kerina Evangelists' College

Situated in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea at Tsendiap in the remote Lower Jimi, Kerina Evangelists' College is a centre for the training of catechists. Catechists are lay people serving in isolated communities who do not have a resident priest. Once trained, they represent the Church and minister to many families and individuals.

The catechists are the backbone of the Church in the most remote areas but are unpaid volunteers.

We pray for...

- Father Peter Moi – Principal of Newton College
- Father Peter Mandap – Principal of Kerina College
- The chaplains and staff in the Anglican Elementary and secondary schools that they may influence others for good.
- All the students and also for their families who support them through their education.

We give thanks for...

- The H & W Williams Memorial Trust who have provided significant support for the theological colleges of Papua New Guinea.

Collect

All knowing God, by the lake Christ called disciples to abundant life: Guide us in all you would have us do; Give us the will and wisdom to obey you; Help us to follow you trustfully and fearlessly, that our lives may be rich and fruitful.

“We proclaim him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.” Colossians 1: 28



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

SHORT TERM
MISSION TEAMS

DAY 09

Every year New Zealanders leave our shores to support mission projects around the world. Today we pray for those who are heading out in the coming months, and give thanks for the work past teams have been able to do.

Short term mission teams have achieved many things while travelling including building playgrounds, doing building repairs, painting, cleaning, photography, and most importantly developing relationships with those people who they help.

Pray for the parishes and groups heading out on short term missions around the world in 2017; that the work they begin will continue to improve people's lives for many years to come. Pray for spiritual fruit.

We give thanks for...

- The Tikanga Pakeha Missions Council (TPMC) Short Term Mission Grants which assisted many ministry units to undertake mission trips in 2016
- The short term mission teams that travelled in 2016 including teams from:
 - Anglican Youth Ministries BOLD (Building outstanding leaders & disciples), Auckland to Fiji;
 - Parish of Waikanae to Delhi, India; and
 - Parish of Fendalton, Christchurch to Tonga.
- The Golden Oldies annual mission trip to Fiji which continues to build relationships and partnerships between the Fiji Churches and Golden Oldies mission group and provides practical and prayer support.

Collect

Lord, we know that the needy are all around us. Thank you that through Jesus you have shown us that word and action go hand in hand. Fill us with your life, equip us with your power, grant us your compassion and show us how we speak for you and live for you, and in your name reach out to others.

"We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints," Colossians 1:3-4



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

WORK OF
ANGLICAN
MISSIONS

DAY 10

Today we pray for the staff and Board of Anglican Missions, who are enabling global mission to occur every day. We also give thanks for the ongoing support of Parishes and Rohe for the overseas mission work of our Church carried out through Anglican Missions.

We pray for...

- **The Anglican Missions Board members**
 - Most Rev'd Philip Richardson (Chair)
 - Most Rev'd Winston Halapua
 - Rev'd Michael Hughes
 - Mr Charles Hemana
 - Rt Rev'd Ngarahu Katene
 - Rev'd Amy Chambers
 - Ven Henry Bull
 - Rev'd Steve Maina
 - Mr Steve Perris (Deputy Chair)
- **Board Consultants**
 - Rev'd Dawn Daunauda
 - Jacynthia Murphy
- **The staff of Anglican Missions**
 - Canon Robert Kereopa – Chief Executive Officer
 - Metua Takairangi – Executive Assistant
 - John Tapiata – Accountant
 - Sudesh Wasoori – Accounts Officer
 - Linda Dear – Communications Administrator

Collect

God, you call us to serve you with all the strength we have: you are faithful to those you call; may Jesus' resurrection raise us if we stumble, the Christlight beckon us if we lose our way, and we shall have strength once more to walk with you to the Cross.

"...continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant."
Colossians 1:23



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

VOLUNTEERS &
SUPPORTERS

DAY 11

There are many people who need to be thanked for their commitment to Anglican Missions, for without them we would cease to exist. Today we pray for and give thanks for these people.

We give thanks for...

- The generous support from our **donors**, enabling mission to continue around the world
- The **Mission Motivators** who encourage mission in their parishes
- Our **Stamp Volunteers**
 - Those who sort and trim hundreds of thousands of stamps every year
 - The co-ordinators of all the stamps: Ross, Tony, Jane, Simon, Nicky and Elizabeth; and regular purchasers – Ken and Lyndal
- Our **mail out volunteers** who help send out our resources
- The vision of the Henry and William Williams Memorial Trust whose legacy continues to provide generously for the work of the Gospel both in NZ and through the South Pacific
- The many parish and rohe mission prayer groups
- The Diocesan Mission Festivals and parish events which have brought people together to share in their passion for missions.

Mission Support Groups

We thank God for the way the Diocesan and Tikanga Mission groups raise awareness of overseas mission.

- Diocesan Overseas Mission Groups
- Tikanga Pakeha Missions Council
- Tikanga Maori Mission Council
- Tikanga Pasifika Mission Council
- NZCMS Area Representatives.

Collect

Almighty God, you have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts and set us free from bondage to sin; give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all people may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.” Colossians 2:6-7



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

WOMEN'S
OUTREACH

DAY 12

Today we pray for the women of New Zealand and around the world who provide endless support for overseas mission.

AAW

Through the **Overseas & Outreach Programme, Association of Anglican of Women (AAW)** members in New Zealand support mission projects overseas, as well as in New Zealand. The current O&O convener is Shelley Vette. The AAW President is Pat Vincent.

We pray for the projects supported by AAW

- The work of the AAW in Polynesia to supply sewing machines, assist kindergartens, and help with travel and meeting costs for Archdeaconry representatives
- The work of the AAW in Papua New Guinea on adult literacy education, village health and Students' Wives courses at Newton Theological College
- Women's craft enterprises in Pakistan
- Medicine and social justice in Uganda
- Dental and education community ministry in Cambodia
- Outreach by Religious Communities in Melanesia, and Papua New Guinea.

The Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union is a missionary society with 4 million members in 83 countries, many of which are among the poorest in the world who rely on their allegiance to the Anglican Church and assistance from Mothers' Union members in countries like NZ, for their survival. A levy, included in local subscriptions, goes to the Mary Sumner House in London for distribution by the relevant branches at grass-roots level. Anglican Missions' links with the Mothers' Union include those in Polynesia, Melanesia, Papua New Guinea, and Africa. Rev Iritana Hankins is the President of the Province of Aotearoa, NZ and Polynesia.

Please pray for The Mothers' Union throughout the world.

Collect

God of nations, your boundless compassion for all is like a mother's care for her children; make us heralds of your reign of peace and justice so that we bring your transforming power to all you have created in your love.

"A friend loves at all times, and kinsfolk are born to share adversity." Proverbs 17:17



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

MISSION
AGENCIES

DAY 13

Today we pray for all the Mission Agencies around the world and give thanks for the amazing work they do.

We pray for...

- **Christian World Service (CWS)**
 - Pauline McKay – National Director and all the staff
 - CWS is the development, justice and aid agency of New Zealand Churches. The Anglican Missions Board works with CWS on campaigns for emergency relief and development programmes for which it can get extra government funding.
- **The Anglican Chinese Mission**
 - and their ministry to Chinese in New Zealand, especially their mission to
 - continue to reach out to the early migrants from China, who speak Cantonese
 - developing outreach to local born Chinese, who speak English
 - making connections and reaching out to recent Chinese migrants, who are Mandarin speaking.
 - For the leadership of Pastor Henry Yap.
- **Bible Society of New Zealand**
 - Please pray for Bible Society NZ, especially for their 2017 youth projects which are part of their ongoing 'Pass It On' campaign. Pray for their new Field Guide to the Bible for youth and the upcoming small group video resource which will help NZ young people engage with God's word. Please also pray for raised awareness of new resources, including '**Big Little Bible**' book (also app) and the new children's Maori Bible storybook, '**Taku Paipera**'. Pray too for good progress to be made on the new Maori Bible translation project.

Collect

God of love, we thank you for leading your people to live out the prayer of Jesus, and we pray that through the words and deeds of ecumenical witness the world might believe. Work among us, O God and bring us to unity in Christ.

"We sent Timothy, who is our brother and God's fellow worker in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith." 1 Thessalonians 3:2



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

NEW ZEALAND
CHURCH
MISSIONARY
SOCIETY

DAY 14

Today we pray for the New Zealand Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) and those serving overseas as Mission Partners who have left their homes and lives behind to engage in Mission.

Since its founding in 1892, NZCMS has been sending Kiwis to all corners of the earth. With such a long history in the life of the Church in New Zealand, NZCMS is working hard to mobilise God's people for mission. This includes encouraging churches with what God is up to here and worldwide, equipping groups to serve their local communities, and sending out Mission Partners to engage in a variety of capacities throughout the world.

We pray for...

- The NZCMS Society, Steve Maina the National Director, and the support team in New Zealand
- The men and women who have left their homes and families to serve overseas
- The legacy of missionaries everywhere – that their lives and work will have eternal impact
- All of the NZCMS Mission Partners serving around the world; and for their many supporters.

In particular we pray for

- Murray and Féy Cotter who are serving in Albania in Church planting and team leadership
- Katie Bennett who is in Spain working to plant Churches
- Andrew & family serving in Europe
- Rosie who is currently preparing for future ministry while on study leave at the Trinity School for Ministry in USA
- The Sussex family as they settle back in NZ after serving over 5 years in Cambodia.

Collect

Holy and everliving God, by your power we are created, and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

"We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

ANGLICAN
INDIGENOUS
NETWORK (AIN)

DAY 15

Today we pray for the Anglican Indigenous Network (AIN) and its work in development, training, and resource sharing of its international members: Indigenous Americans, Alaskans, Canadians, and Hawaiians, along with Maori, Australian Aboriginals and the Torres Strait Islanders.

AIN is a formal body of the Anglican Consultative Council. Its mission statement speaks of being committed to the Anglican tradition while affirming traditional spirituality.

Every two years five delegates from each country come together for furthering their common purpose including discussions about ministry training, self-determining initiatives to retain and blend indigenous languages and cultures with church practices, and looking at their common concerns and current local political issues affecting them. “We believe that God is leading the Church to a turning point in its history and that the full partnership of indigenous peoples is essential.”

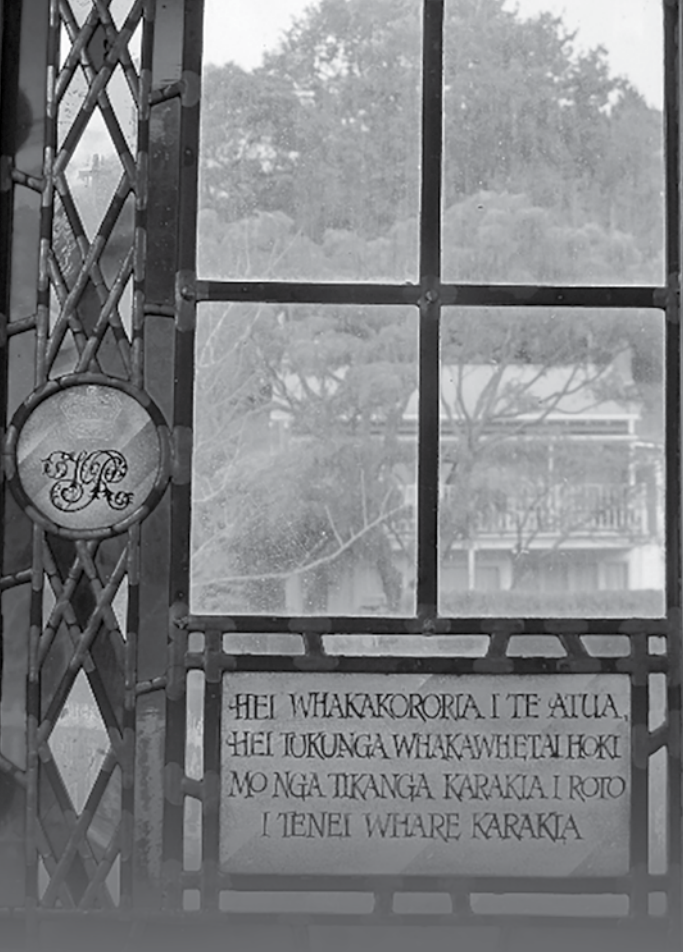
We pray for...

- Bishop Kito Pikaahu – Convenor; and
- for the upcoming new Secretary General of the AIN to be elected during 2017
- Tikanga Maori delegates to the network
- The companion diocese relationships between Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and Hawaii, Southern Ohio, Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, First Nations Peoples of Canada, Australian Aborigines and Torres Straits Islanders.

Collect

God of nations, you have given us a good land for our heritage; inspire in the people of our country a love of peace and a zeal for justice, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

“For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord. How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?” 1 Thessalonians 3:8-9



HEI WHAKAKORORIA I TE ATUA,
HEI TOKUNGA WHAKAWHETAI HOKI
MO NGĀ TIKANGA KARAKIA I ROTO
I TENEI WHARE KARAKIA

NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

LOCAL MISSION DAY 16

Today we pray for mission in New Zealand. We also pray for those who lead the Anglican Church in New Zealand and Aotearoa.

We pray for...

- The 3 Co-presiding Primates (at the time of writing the Tikanga Maori Archbishop is to be appointed), the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson (Tikanga Pakeha), and the Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua (Tikanga Pasefika) -Primates & Archbishops of Aotearoa New Zealand & Polynesia
- The Bishop of Aotearoa (to be appointed)
- The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson – Bishop of Taranaki
- The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua, Bishop of Polynesia
- The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay – Bishop of Auckland
- The Rt Rev'd Andrew Hedge - The Bishop of Waiapu
- The Rt Rev'd Helen-Ann Hartley – Bishop of Waikato
- The Rt Rev'd Justin Duckworth – Bishop of Wellington
- The Rt Rev'd Richard Ellena – Bishop of Nelson
- The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews – Bishop of Christchurch
- The Rt Rev'd Kelvin Wright – Bishop of Dunedin
- The Rt Rev'd Kitohi Pikaahu – Bishop of Te Tai Tokerau
- The Rt Rev'd Don Tamihere – Bishop of Te Tairāwhiti
- The Rt Rev'd Richard Wallace – Bishop of Te Waipounamu
- The Rt Rev'd Ngarahu Katene – Bishop of Te Manawa o te Wheke
- The Rt Rev'd Muru Walters – Bishop of Te Upoko o Te Ika
- Rev'd Michael Hughes – General Secretary to General Synod, and the staff of the Provincial Office who support the Dioceses in their work and witness
- Parish and Rohe clergy and lay leaders
- Defence Force, tertiary, school, hospital & workplace chaplains.

We give thanks for...

- The local mission of parishes and rohe throughout New Zealand and pray for continued effectiveness
- The Church Army and their work training and releasing people to work as evangelists in New Zealand.

Collect

Draw your church together, Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world and together witnessing to his love in every continent and island. We ask this in his name.

“Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other.”

1 Thessalonians 4:9



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

ANGLICAN
CHURCH OF
AUSTRALIA

DAY 17

Today we pray for our partners in Australia. We pray for the work of the Australian Anglican Board of Mission among the Indigenous people of Australia and pray for continued reconciliation and justice.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Dr Philip Freier – Primate of Australia
- The 23 diocesan Bishops
- Clergy and lay leaders of the more than 3000 parishes
- The Anglican Board of Mission – Australia, Executive Director Rev John Deane and all the staff
- Maori Missions in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth.

We pray for...

- The Anglican Church of Australia's Indigenous Programmes including:
 - Nungalinga College – providing theological education and courses in family & community services and leadership training
 - Wontulp-Bi-Buya College – established to support the development of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander church and community leaders through theological and community development studies.

We give thanks for...

- The relationships between Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and the Dioceses of Perth, Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne; and we pray that these relationships will flourish and bear much fruit.

Collect

Loving God, whose glory outshines the sun, open our lives to the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may fully reflect the glory of your love and share our lives with one another. In Christ's name we pray.

“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” Colossians 3:17



NEW ZEALAND AND OUR PARTNERS

MINISTRY TO
MIGRANTS &
REFUGEES
& MISSION TO
SEAFARERS

DAY 18

Today we pray for those who move to new lands or travel the seas, and those who offer their assistance and guidance to these people.

Ministry to Migrants & Refugees

We pray for...

- New Zealand Churches seeking to minister to immigrants and refugees & especially for the extra support needed for the regular settlements of refugees, mainly from Syria settling in NZ
- The coordinators and volunteers of the refugee settlement programme
- The Reverend Viti Whippy from the Diocese of Polynesia in Fiji
- Rev Daniel Pillay, who is responsible for evangelism to migrants from Polynesia; and
- Ven Edward Subramaniam, ministering to Fijian, Indian, Tongan and Samoan congregations in New Zealand.

Mission to Seafarers

Mission to Seafarers is an agency of the Anglican Church with a network of Chaplains, staff, and volunteers in 300 ports around the world to offer support to seafarers.

Pray for seafarers who often spend up to 10 months of the year away from their families. Pray the Mission Chaplains will always have a wise word “in season” for those who have troubled hearts.

We pray for...

- The Chaplains to Seafarers in the busy ports of Auckland and Wellington
- The work of Tikanga Maori with Mission to Seafarers
- Honorary chaplains in seven other ports in New Zealand
- The chaplaincies in Fiji, Tonga, Melanesia and Papua New Guinea.

Collect

God of resurrection, where there is death, you bring new life; challenge our attachment to wealth and power, so that we may release others from the chains of poverty, hunger, and injustice, and the whole earth live to praise your name.

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Thessalonians 5:23



PROVINCE OF JERUSALEM & THE MIDDLE EAST

EGYPT, NORTH
AFRICA, & THE
HORN OF AFRICA

DAY 19

The Episcopal/Anglican Diocese of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa is within the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Today we pray for the people of Egypt and North Africa and the Horn of Africa.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Dr Mouneer Hanna Anis – Primate of the Province of Jerusalem & the Middle East and Bishop in Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa
- The Rt Rev Dr Grant LeMarquand, Assistant Bishop for the Horn of Africa
- EpiscoCare - the development arm of Episcopal/Anglican Diocese of Egypt - and the community development centers and nurseries they run throughout the Diocese
- The clergy throughout the Diocese, especially those in Gambella, Ethiopia
 - NZCMS Mission Partners serving in the Middle East
 - Jolene – Refugee Support; and
 - Arthur & Julia – Community work.
 - Rick & Anne (with 2 children) – Theological Education

We give thanks for...

- The work of the Diocese in:
 - health and children's education
 - economic empowerment; assisting people in starting new business in order to become self-supporting
 - breaking down barriers between those of different religious groups
- The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Nelson in New Zealand and the Diocese of Egypt.

Collect

Breathe in me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, Holy Spirit, that my work may be holy. Draw my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend in all that is holy. Guard me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy. – *St Augustine of Hippo*

“He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”
1 Thessalonians 5:10-11



PROVINCE OF JERUSALEM & THE MIDDLE EAST

JERUSALEM,
CYPRUS & THE
GULF, IRAN

DAY 20

Today we pray for the Diocese of Jerusalem, the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, and the Diocese of Iran.

The Diocese of Jerusalem extends over Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Palestine and Israel. There are 27 parishes that minister to the needs of their communities, centered on the Cathedral Church of St. George the Martyr in Jerusalem. The church supports 33 institutions, which include hospitals, clinics, kindergartens and schools, vocational training programmes, as well as institutions for the deaf, the disabled and the elderly.

The Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf includes Cyprus and the Gulf states, Iraq and Yemen. Two key places of mission service are Christ Church in Aden, with its eye clinic; and St George, Baghdad, where the compound includes clinics and a kindergarten.

The Diocese of Iran was formed in 1912 as a result of the missionary work of NZCMS. While the Anglican Church in Iran is small there have been Christians in Iran since the earliest days of the Church and the indigenous churches persist as minorities in this predominantly Muslim country.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Suheil Dawani – Bishop in Jerusalem
- The Rt Rev Michael Lewis – Bishop in Cyprus and the Gulf
- The Rt Rev Azad Marshall – Bishop in Iran
- The Holy Land Institute for the Deaf
- The Al Ahli Hospital and its staff
- The Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre for children with disabilities
- St George's College, and the worldwide outreach of the College
- Christians in war zones who are affected by disorder in Syria, Iraq, Egypt and the Yemen
- Christian communities internally displaced and those seeking asylum in other countries
- The Clergy and people of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Collect

Pray not for Jew or Muslim or Christian, nor for Palestinian or Israeli, but pray rather that we might not divide them in our prayers, but keep them together as one in our hearts.

“Just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts.”

1 Thessalonians 2:4



THE CHURCH IN ASIA

SOUTH EAST ASIA

DAY 21

Today we pray for the Province of South East Asia.

It is made up of the Diocese of Singapore, West Malaysia, Sabah and Kuching.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Ng Moon Hing – Archbishop of the Province of the Anglican Church in South East Asia
- The Rt Rev Rennis Ponniah – Bishop of Singapore
- The Rt Rev Low Jee King and the Rt Rev Kuan Kim Seng – Assistant Bishops of Singapore
- The Rt Rev Melter Jiki Tais - Bishop of Sabah
- The Rt Rev John Yeo – Assistant Bishop of Sabah
- The Most Rev Ng Moon Hing – Bishop of West Malaysia
- The Rt Rev Jason Selvaraj and the Rt Rev Charles Samuel – Assistant Bishops of West Malaysia
- The Rt Rev Bolly Lapok - Bishop of Kuching
- The Rt Rev Aeries Sumping Jingan and the Rt Rev Solomon Cheong - Assistant Bishops of Kuching
- NZCMS Mission Partners serving in South East Asia; in particular
 - Anne & Anthony McCormick – Social work and Patient recovery.
- The clergy and people of South-East Asia, for their ministry that is seeing the church grow rapidly
- The missionary Deaneries in Nepal, Indonesia, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam and Laos and their work and witness to the people of these nations
- The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Waikato and the Diocese of Kuching.

Collect

We pray, O God, for your Church throughout the world, that Christians may respond to your love by committing themselves to the service of your kingdom, with faith strengthened by a living experience of Christ's presence, and with the freedom and courage to follow where Christ leads.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.” Proverbs 3:5



THE CHURCH IN ASIA

PAKISTAN

DAY 22

Today we pray for Pakistan.

The Church of Pakistan is a union of Anglicans, Methodists, Scottish Presbyterians and Lutherans. Established in 1971, it is predominantly Anglican in theology and outlook.

The Christian community in Pakistan have been significant in contributing to the development of the nation, however face challenges due to discrimination and religious persecution.

We give thanks for...

Christian Schools and for the witness of the staff to their students.

The growth of Christian theological institutions, and for the church's outreach to marginalised communities including in rural Sindh.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Samuel Azariah – Primate of Pakistan and Bishop of the Diocese of Raiwind
- The Rt Rev Irfan Jamil – Bishop of Lahore
- The Rt Rev Alwin Samuel – Bishop of Sialkot
- The Rt Rev John Samuel – Bishop of Faisalabad
- The Rt Rev Leo Roderick Paul – Bishop of Multan
- The Rt Rev Humphrey S. Peters – Bishop of Peshawar
- The Rt Rev Kaleem John – Bishop of Hyderabad
- The Rt Rev Saddiq Daniel – Bishop of Karachi
- The Rt Rev Azad Marshall – Coadjutor Bishop of Raiwind
- The witness and ministry of the Church in times of conflict.

Collect

Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family; give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to all people.

“Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding; for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. Proverbs 3:13-14



THE CHURCH IN ASIA

CENTRAL &
SOUTH ASIA

DAY 23

Today we pray for Central, South, and South East Asia.

We pray for...

The following NZCMS Mission Partners serving in Central, South, and South East Asia:

Liz – Education Consultancy; **Dean and Amanda**

(**& 2 children**) – Human Trafficking Prevention;

Jean – Administration and Community Ministry;

Judith – Community Ministry; **Manu & Anna (& 3 children)**

– Walking with the poor and Community Development;

Allan and Christine – Education and international student

ministry; **Nathan & Rosey** – language learning.

Bangladesh

Bangladesh was originally East Pakistan. The Church of Bangladesh is one of the United Churches, formed by a union of Anglicans with Christians of other traditions.

We give thanks for...

- The life and work of Dr Edric Baker who served in Bangladesh and created the Kailakuri Health Care Project – We pray for the ongoing work of this Centre and their care, especially for the extreme poor.

Philippines

Four dioceses were established in the Philippines by 1971.

The Anglican Church consecrated its first Bishop in 1963 and became an autonomous Province in 1990.

We pray for...

- Dianne Bayley – NZCMS Mission Partner serving in the Philippines – Children's Ministries

Sri Lanka

The province of Sri Lanka (2 dioceses) is under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

We give thanks for the Christian presence in these countries of men and women who live their faith often in the face of persecution.

Collect

Lord, open our eyes that we may see you in our brothers and sisters. Lord, open our ears that we may hear the cries of the hungry, the cold, the frightened, the oppressed. Lord, open our hearts that we may love one another as you love us. – Mother Theresa

“The paths of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn; shining ever brighter til the full light of day.” Proverbs 4:18



THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

ANGLICAN
CHURCH OF
TANZANIA

DAY 24

Today we pray for Tanzania.

Inaugurated in 1970, the Church of Tanzania was influenced by both NZCMS and the Universities Mission to Central Africa. Made up of 27 dioceses representing both the Evangelical and Anglo-Catholic traditions; the Church in Tanzania is experiencing rapid growth and is working hard to train clergy and build churches.

We give thanks for...

- The continued growth of the Anglican Church of Tanzania through the work of local evangelists; and for its relationship with the Church in New Zealand.

We pray for...

- The Most Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya – Archbishop of Tanzania and all the bishops and clergy of the 27 dioceses, especially:
 - The Rt Rev Dr Dickson Chilongani – Bishop of Central Tanganyika
 - The Rt Rev Sadock Makaya – Bishop of Western Tanganyika
 - The Rt Rev Aaron Kijanjali – Bishop of Kagera
 - The Rt Rev Dr Mwita Akiri – Bishop of Tarime
 - The Rt Rev Dr Given Gaula – Bishop of Kondoa
- Rev. Can. Capt. Johnson Chinyong'ole, General Secretary, Provincial administration and all the staff
- The election process, consecration & inauguration in July of the new Diocese of Biharamulo (ex Kagera)
- The election process of the 3rd Bishop of the Diocese of Kagera in October; and the retirement of The Rt Rev Aaron Kijanjali
- Mtumba Teachers College & students and their training
- This year's Strategic Plan workshops for the Church
- For improved weather conditions to alleviate drought and for a good harvest so people are not suffering from hunger.

Collect

God of the hungry, make us hunger and thirst for what is right, till our thirst for justice has been satisfied and hunger gone from the earth.

“Choose my instruction instead of silver; knowledge rather than choice gold; for wisdom is more precious than rubies and nothing you can desire can compare with her.”
Proverbs 8:10-11



THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

EDUCATION IN
TANZANIA

DAY 25

Today we pray for education and the educators in Tanzania; and for New Zealanders who are serving in the schools and Universities in Tanzania.

We pray for...

- The students and their families at the various Provincial and Diocesan theological colleges; and for...
 - St. John's University of Tanzania, Dodoma – for the leadership dealing with issues of finance & quality of tertiary education provided, and for wisdom
 - St Philip's Theological College, Kondoa – for safety & wisdom for the staff; and for Bishop Given as he leads this new diocese
 - St Mark's Theological College, Dar es Salaam
 - Msalato Theological College, Dodoma - for Joshua Rutere as he leads the college & for the students
 - NZCMS Mission Partners: Cliff & Irene Studman as they continue to assist in the development of St Johns; and for Peter & Christine Akester at St Philips.
 - The Lloyd-Jones family and their honey marketing business & work at St John's
- The Principals, staff, and students of the Anglican Schools...
 - Holy Trinity Primary School, Dodoma
 - Canon Andrea Mwaka School (CAMS), Dodoma – for a new principal & for English language teachers.
 - The Mvumi Secondary School and hospital, Dodoma
 - Good Shepherd Secondary School, Kagera – give thanks for the new boarding houses supported by donations from Wellington Diocese.

We give thanks for...

- The dedicated work of full time Mission Partners from NZ, Australia & England and the on-going flow of short term volunteers.

Collect

God, whose son Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the church in unity, and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together, we may be one with Christ in faith, love, and service.

“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.” Colossians 3:12



PARTNERS IN AFRICA

SOUTHERN
AFRICA

DAY 26

Today we pray for the Province of Southern Africa. It is the oldest province in Africa. The 28 dioceses of the Province extend beyond the Republic of South Africa and include Mozambique, the Republic of Namibia, the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Kingdom of Swaziland and Angola.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev Dr Thabo Makgoba – Archbishop of Southern Africa and the bishops and clergy of the 28 dioceses
- Father Michael Lapsley SSM, founding member and Director of The Institute for Healing of Memories and the work of this Institute
- The rebuilding of communities in Angola and Mozambique
- The fight against poverty and HIV/AIDS.
- The churches of Southern Africa who have sent out many fine missionaries globally; and for their work promoting unity, toleration, mutual respect and cooperation within the Province.

We give thanks for...

- The Institute for Healing of Memories which “seeks to contribute to the healing journey of individuals, communities and nations”. Their work “is grounded in the belief that we are all in need of healing, because of what we have done, what we have failed to do, and what has been done to us” (Institute for Healing of Memories, website).

Collect

God, you have made our world and seen that it is good; grant to us, created to complete your work, the bright, delightful vision that makes us care for what we do.

“But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth.” 2 Thessalonians 2:13



PARTNERS IN AFRICA

CENTRAL
AFRICA &
UGANDA

DAY 27

Today we pray for the Province of Central Africa and the Province of Uganda.

The Province of Central Africa includes Malawi, Zambia, Botswana and Zimbabwe and has 15 dioceses within it. The Province of Uganda has 27 dioceses.

We pray for...

- The Most Rev'd Albert Chama – Archbishop of Central Africa and the bishops and clergy of the 15 dioceses
- The Rt Rev'd John Osmer – Assistant Bishop of Lusaka
 - Pray also for his work with refugees
- The Most Rev'd Stanley Ntagali – Archbishop of Uganda and the bishops and clergy of the 27 dioceses
- NZCMS Mission Partners:
 - Nick and Tessa Laing who are serving in Uganda in medicine and social justice support
 - Miriam Tillman who is serving in Togo in pharmacy support.

We give thanks for...

- The vitality of the Church and its witness in times of hardship
- The companion relationship between the Diocese of Dunedin and the Diocese of Eastern Zambia.

Collect

Jesus the anointed, teach us to honour those who need our help, and we shall give without condescension, and receive with humility.

“We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.” 1 Thessalonians 2:8



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

DAY 28

Today we pray for the Church in Melanesia. Initially part of the Church of the Province of New Zealand, the Anglican Church of Melanesia became a separate province in 1975. It includes Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and New Caledonia.

We pray for...

- The bishops, clergy and people of the eight dioceses
 - The Rt Rev'd George Takeli – Archbishop of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia
 - The Rt Rev'd Ben Seka – Bishop of Central Solomons
 - The Rt Rev'd Alfred Karibongi – Bishop of Hanuato'o
 - The Rt Rev'd Samuel Sahu – Bishop of Malaita
 - The Rt. Rev'd Leonard Dawea – Bishop of Temotu
 - The Rt Rev'd James Ligo – Bishop of Vanuatu
 - The Rt Rev'd Ellison Quity – Bishop of Ysabel
 - The Rt Rev'd Patteson Worek – Bishop of Banks & Torres
- The Melanesian Board of Mission
- The staff of the Provincial office
- Church schools, vocational training centres, staff and students
- Jonathan & Tess Hicks (with 5 children) – NZCMS Mission Partners serving in the Solomon Islands in theological education
- Continued peace and reconciliation among the peoples
- Literacy programmes and those whose lives are enriched through them
- The work of the Christian Care Centre, established by the Sisters of the Church and the Sisters of Melanesia in Honiara to minister to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse.

We give thanks for...

- The Outreach and Evangelism work of the Province
- The companion diocese relationship between the Diocese of Nelson and the Diocese of Malaita (Solomon Islands), in particular with Bishop Sam and Rosemary Sahu.

Collect

Draw your church together, O Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving Him in His mission to the world, and together witnessing to His love on every continent and island. We ask this in His name.

"Whoever gives heed to instruction prospers; and blessed is he who trusts in the Lord." Proverbs 16:20



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF MELANESIA

SISTERS AND
BROTHERS

DAY 29

Today we pray for the Sisters and Brothers of the many religious orders in the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

We pray for...

- Their work and witness in the communities they serve – especially their work among those who have suffered as a result of civil conflict
 - The Melanesian Brotherhood
 - Community of the Sisters of Melanesia
 - Community of the Sisters of the Church
 - The Society of Saint Francis
- The work of the Anglican Church of Melanesia with Anglican Missions to assist these communities in becoming self-sufficient. There are several projects underway. These include vegetable farming, poultry farming, and sewing projects to assist the communities with improved diets and clothing, as well as the ability to sell extra produce and cloth items to local businesses and restaurants to fund the costs of the missions the Orders undertake.

We give thanks for...

- The **Christian Care Centre** ministry of the Community of the Sisters of Melanesia and the Community of the Sisters of the Church in Honiara ministering to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse. **Pray for** the development and funding for the Rainbow Wing safe house.

Collect

Holy Spirit, grant us to serve your Church, to mend what is spoiled, to strengthen what is sound, and to follow you wherever and however you may lead.

“So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator.” Colossians 3:1, 9-10



FIGHT AGAINST POVERTY

DAY 30

Sustainable Development Goals

The United Nations Economic and Social Council have identified 17 sustainable development goals to be their focus until 2030 based on the ultimate goal of eradicating poverty. The goals are to end poverty in all forms; to end hunger and achieve food security; good health and wellbeing; quality education; gender equality; clean water and sanitation; affordable and clean energy; decent work and economic growth; industry innovation and infrastructure; reduced inequalities; sustainable cities and communities; responsible consumption and production; climate action; sustainability of oceans, seas and marine resources; sustainable ecosystems; peace, justice and strong institutions and global partnerships for sustainable development. We continue to pray for wisdom and guidance for the world leaders as we work together on these difficult yet important goals.

We pray for...

- NGO's working in these areas – especially in the fields of poverty, health and education.

We give thanks ...

- For the progress made in many areas. "In the decade beginning in 2002, the proportion of the world's population living below the poverty line dropped by half, from 26% to 13%...Social protections have expanded globally since 2000, as many development countries adopted policies that afford protection for multiple contingencies." (sustainabledevelopment.un.org)

Collect

Kind and generous God, you prepare a feast for all people. May we prepare for your banquet by putting on the garment of love that springs from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and a genuine faith. Help us to bring the lost and lonely, the poor and those in need, to your feast where all are fed.

"To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice." Proverbs 21:3



PEOPLE IN CRISIS

DAY 31

Throughout the world many millions of people are constantly living in crisis. Whether a disaster is natural, like a cyclone, or our own creation, like war, the human toll is devastating.

Today we pray for those who have been affected by disasters, and give thanks for those who have helped in recovery efforts.

We pray for...

- The Islands of the Pacific and their continuing struggle with the impact of climate change, drought, and cyclones
- Pray for the people of Seddon, Canterbury, Italy, Japan, Ecuador, Indonesia and the Pacific who are dealing with the long term effects of earthquakes
- The people recovering from Cyclone Winston in Fiji, especially the villages of Maniava, Wainaloka & Wailailai; and others affected by cyclones around the World
- All those in crisis, that they may be resilient and have God's protection through their difficulties
- Church leaders who shepherd their congregations through times of peril
- Governments, countries, churches and communities who are opening their doors and supporting the recent influx of refugees, especially from Syria, as people flee war in their homeland
- Aid workers who go to the help of people in the most desperate of situations
- Christians affected by political turmoil, especially those in Egypt, Syria, and Iraq.

We give thanks for...

- The development of the Anglican Alliance initiative in the South Pacific and its focus on development, relief and advocacy
- Anglicare Polynesia and its work and preparation for disaster relief in Polynesia.

Collect

God of all mercy, your Son brought good news to the despairing, freedom to the oppressed and joy to the sad; fill us with your Spirit, that the people of our day may see in us his likeness and glorify your name.

Rich and poor have this in common; the Lord is the maker of them all." Proverbs 22:2

CHRIST IS BORN!

In the Morning

The Gathering

The People Gather

The Gathering Prayer

Said in Unison

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

The Gathering Psalm of Praise

Psalm 51: 16, 11 – 13

Open my lips, O Lord,
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.

Gospel of the Day

As appointed

Response

Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you?

- (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

Apostle's Creed

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

- who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary,
- suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
- he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
- he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and
- he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
- the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
- the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
- *Amen.*

Prayer

Prayers

Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)

Collects

This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

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CHRIST HAS DIED

At Noon

The Gathering

The People Gather

The Gathering Prayer

Said in Unison

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

The Gathering Psalm of Praise

From Psalm 113

Give praise, you servants of the LORD;
praise the Name of the LORD.

Let the Name of the LORD be blessed,
from this time forth for evermore.

From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the Name of the LORD be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens.

Gospel of the Day

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Prayer

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Collects

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Blessed Saviour, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved, for your mercy's sake. Amen.

or this

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you": regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

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CHRIST IS RISEN

In the Early Evening

The Gathering

The People Gather

This devotion may be used before or after the evening meal.

The Gathering Prayer

Said in Unison

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

The Gathering Hymn of Praise

O gracious Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Gospel of the Day

As appointed

Response

Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day

- What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you? (Reread the Gospel.)
- What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

Prayer

Prayers

Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)

Collects

This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

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CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN

At the Close of Day

The Gathering

The People Gather

The Gathering Prayer

Said in Unison

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

The Gathering Psalm of Praise

Psalm 134

Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
you that stand by night in the house of the LORD,

Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD,
the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Gospel of the Day

As appointed

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Prayer

Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Saviour,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see

A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.

Prayers

Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS).

Prayers for ourselves and others may follow. It is appropriate that prayers of thanksgiving for the blessings of the day and penitence for our sins be included.

Collects

This and/or other Collects, as appointed, are said or sung:

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace: and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

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Blessing

Officiant: The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

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E to matou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tou Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tou rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite ano ki to te rangi.
Homai ki a matou aiane
he taro ma matou mo tenei ra.
Murua o matou hara,
Me matou hoki e muru nei
i o te hunga e hara ana ki a matou.
Aua hoki matou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia matou i te kino:
Nou hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te kororia,
Ake ake ake. Amine.

How do I use Partners in Prayer?

Partners in Prayer has a page for each of the 31 days possible in a month. For example, if it's the 15th of the month, use **Day 15** on page 32. This is a guide only so if you have a particular desire to pray for a specific place - don't let the day stop you.

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