**Prayer Diary April 2023**

*Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:19*

The prayers each day are for:

* the mission and ministry of a benefice
* organisations, schools, events of the diocese and the wider community
* our link Diocese Kagera and World Mission

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For details of the Church of England calendar please visit [here](https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/calendar).

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| **Sat 1 Apr 2023** | Hadleigh DeaneryThe Brett Valley Benefice: The Revd Elke Cattermole; Teresa Lester (Reader) | Those struggling with the cost of living and for debt relief agencies | Biharamulo: The Revd Peter Paschal Kalimanzira, Rural Dean, Runazi Deanery. |
| **Sun 2 Apr 2023**  | Hadleigh DeaneryElmsett with Aldham, Hintlesham, Chattisham and Kersey: The Revd Adrian Waller | Clergy Retirement Officer (The Revd Dr Simon Hill) and Clergy Widow/Widower Officer (The Revd Lionel Simpkins) | Give thanks for the ongoing rainfall in Kagera which should mean a good harvest at the end of this rainy season. Pray that there will be enough food to feed those who lost crops due to the hailstorm earlier in the year. |
| **Mon 3 Apr 2023** | Hadleigh DeaneryHadleigh, Layham and Shelley: The Very Revd Jo Delfgou | Church Primary Schools in Hadleigh Deanery: Elmsett; St Mary’s, Hadleigh; Hintlesham and Chattisham; Kersey; and Whatfield | Continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and for those who have lost loved ones in the fighting. |
| **Tues 4 Apr****2023** | Hadleigh DeaneryHigham, Holton St Mary, Raydon and Stratford St Mary: The Revd Manette Crossman; The Revd Nicola Tindall; The Revd Martyn Carr | Messy Easter at the Cathedral and for all churches providing activities for children over Easter | Kagera: Mr Joel Aleku, Ngara Anglican Primary School (NAPS) Head teacher |
| **Wed 5 Apr 2023** | Hadleigh DeaneryThe Benefice of Stoke by Nayland with Leavenheath and Polstead and Nayland with Wissington: The Revd Stéphane Javelle; Derek Johns (Reader)  | Chaplains to Army Cadets, Sea Cadets and Air Cadets | Biharamulo: The Revd Canon Jonas Samweli, Parish Priest at Nyakanazi Parish |
| **Thurs 6 Apr 2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeaneryAthelington, Denham, Horham, Hoxne, Redlingfield, Syleham and Wingfield: The Revd Eleanor Goodison; The Revd John McCracken | Chrism service at the Cathedral | Kagera: The Revd Daniel Maburuki, Parish Priest, Kumunazi Parish. |
| **Fri 7 Apr 2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeaneryEye: The Revd Dr Guy Sumpter | Good Friday walks of witness around Suffolk | Kagera: The Revd Emmanuel Makombo, Assistant Sub-dean Cathedral Murgwanza |
| **Sat 8** **Apr 2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeaneryFour Rivers: The Revd Enid Pow; The Revd David Mulrenan; The Revd Rebecca Artiss; The Revd Chrissie Smart; The Revd Clive Mobbs | Growing in God diocesan aims (younger, in number, in depth and in influence) | As our Lent Appeal for Kagera draws to its close we pray that we will be able to respond to many of the needs of our brothers and sisters in that diocese through the generosity of those in this one. |
| **Sun 9 Apr****2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeaneryNorth Hartismere: The Revd Adrian Watkins | Easter services around the diocese | Pray for an end to the increasing persecution of LGBTQ people in Uganda. Pray for tolerance and understanding on the part of the government and religious groups in the country. Pray for those who have been arrested, evicted and subjected to sexual violence. |
| **Mon 10 Apr 2023**  | Hartismere and Hoxne DeaneryRedgrave cum Botesdale with Rickinghall: The Revd Chris Norburn; Barbara Norburn (Children’s and Families’ Minister) | Church Schools in Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery: Botesdale, Eye, Gislingham, Mellis, Palgrave, Thorndon, Wetheringsett, Bedfield, Fressingfield, All Saints, Laxfield, Stradbroke, Wilby and Worlingworth | Biharamulo: The Revd John Danford, Youth Co-ordinator for the Diocese and Pastor of Katahoka Parish |
| **Tues 11 Apr****2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeanerySancroft: The Revd Canon Susan Loxton; The Revd Peter Schwier; The Revd Diane Ekins Powell; Maria Price (Reader) | Modern Day Slavery, victims of sex trade, crime, labour exploitation and domestic servitude | Pray for tolerance and compassion for those fleeing persecution and war in their own countries. Pray that all governments will act to ensure that asylum seekers are treated well. |
| **Wed 12 Apr 2023** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeanerySouth Hartismere: The Revd Canon Julia Lall;The Revd Lauren Moore; The Revd Debbie Nicholls; Emma Morris (Childrens’ and Families’ Minister) | All Retired Clergy and Readers who have Permission to Officiate in this diocese | Kagera: Murgwanza School of Nursing. Principal Susan Daud and Vice Principal Irakiza Gashaza. Pray that staff will not become discouraged when caring in such difficult circumstances. |
| **Thurs 13 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryBridge Church: The Revd Andy Buttress; Rob Collett (Licensed Evangelist) | Chaplains to the hospitals in our diocese: The Revd Canon Sharon Connell, The Revd Nichola Winter, The Revd Linda Peall, The Revd Rufin Emmanuel, The Revd Stephen Griffiths | Kagera: Mchumgaji Mwema (Good Shepherd) Secondary School run by the diocese. Pray for all the staff and pupils. |
| **Fri 14****Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich All Hallows: The Revd Carol Mansell; The Revd Kiran Lotay; The Revd Nancy Sloan-Capasso | For ordinands and all training for ministry in this diocese | Kagera: Give thanks and pray for the many retired Pastors who continue to minister. |
| **Sat 15 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Augustine: The Revd Al Metcalfe; Karen Mansfield, Katherine Murphy and Evie Swan (Children’s and Families’ Ministers); Matt Cornwell (Licensed Youth Minister); Gavin Stone (Licensed Lay Worker) | The homeless in Suffolk and for all trying to help them | Kagera: Pray for the preparations to bring The Revd Amon Jackson, Principal of KCTC, to visit us in the diocese in June. |
| **Sun 16 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Francis: The Revd Heather Livingstone; James Hawksworth (Pioneer Evangelist) | Archdeacons David, Jeanette, Rhiannon and Sally | Pray for those in Mozambique and Malawi recovering from the effects of Cyclone Freddy. Pray for Tearfund and other NGOs working to get aid into areas devastated by the floods and to rebuild homes.  |
| **Mon 17 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St John the Baptist with St Andrew: The Revd Mark Prentice; The Revd Liz Fox; John Gillett, Andrew Taylor, Rowland Howarth (Readers); Tracey Needham and Dawn Gillett (Licensed Evangelists); Emma Allinson, Rachel Bricknell, Alison Mackay, Lizzie Kent, Mark Goldfinch and Fiona Pipe (Children’s and Families’ Minister) | Schools, staff and pupils as the summer term begins | Pray for the staff and patients of Murgwanza Hospital, Kagera. |
| **Tues 18 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Mary le Tower: The Revd Tom Mumford | Church Primary Schools in Ipswich Deanery: Morland; St John’s; St Margaret; and St Matthew’s  | Biharamulo: The Revd Didas Kilolonga Lumoka, parish priest at Katahoka parish  |
| **Wed 19 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Mary at the Elms: The Revd John Thackray | Chaplains to the Police Force | Biharamulo: Marietha Kutunzi, CCMP Co-ordinator and Ombeni Shirima, Diocesan Development Officer |
| **Thurs 20 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Mary Stoke: The Revd Sophie Cowan; The Revd Kay Palmer; Linda Preston and Graham Miles (Licensed Evangelists) | The Suffolk countryside and care for God’s creation | Biharamulo: The Revd Obedi George Msumeno, parish priest at Buzirayombo parish |
| **Fri 21 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Matthew with Triangle and All Saints: The Revd Canon Nick Atkins; The Revd Danny Morrison; The Revd Ruth Best; The Revd Lawrence Carey; The Revd Dimitri Theulings; Jane Cornish (Reader); Karen Nelson (Lay Pioneer); Hannah Ponting (Licensed Evangelist) | Churches on the Tourist Trail | Kagera: The Revd Obedia Eustace, Tutor at KCTC |
| **Sat 22 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Thomas: The Revd Rachel Revely; The Revd John Irwin; Emma Knight (Children’s and Families’ Minister) | Churches undergoing an interregnum at present | Kagera: The Revd Canon Amon Nzikobankunda, Sub-dean at Murgwanza Cathedral |
| **Sun 23 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Bartholomew: The Revd Paul Carter | Farewell and Thanksgiving Service for the retirement of Archdeacon Jeanette | Pray for an end to the conflict in The Democratic Republic of Congo which has displaced at least 800,00 people. Pray for the intervention of international powers to broker a peace deal between the government and M23 rebels. Pray for the work of UNHCR as it brings food to the refugees. |
| **Mon 24 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryLindbergh Road Community Church: The Revd Ian Daniels; Julie Daniels (Children’s and Families’ Minister) | Rural Coffee Caravan/Meet up Mondays to combat loneliness and promote communities | Kagera: Pray for the Diocesan Rehabilitation Centre in Kayanga and its work helping children with disabilities. |
| **Tues 25 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryRiver Church: The Revd Amy Key; The Revd Matt Key | The Judicial System and Police in Suffolk | Kagera: The Revd Shedrack Mulokozi William, Parish Pastor Kumwuzuza |
| **Wed 26 Apr 2023**  | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Margaret: The Revd Sarah Geileskey to be licensed today; Helen Prior-Townsend (Licensed Evangelist) | Diocesan Education Team and their work with the 87 church schools and academies in the Diocese | Pray for the many in East Africa who are being affected by the climate crisis. Pray for wisdom for western governments that they will enact policies which move us away from burning fossil fuels and making the situation worse. |
|  **Thurs 27** **Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryRushmere: The Revd Alan Comfort; The Revd Marion Walker; David Gill (Reader) | Chaplains to Mental Health Care |  Kagera: Pray for The Revd Emmanuel Jeconiah, Rural Dean of Murongo |
| **Fri 28 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich St Peter: The Revd Emily Swinerd; The Revd Mervyn Dye; Clive Darley and Andrew Hill (Readers) | Inspiring Ipswich  | Kagera: The Revd Dishon Gasanzwe, Pastor, Kasharazi Parish. |
| **Sat 29 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryIpswich Waterfront Benefice: The Revd Susan Allison; Phillip Allison (Reader) | Vocations Fair and Growing New Learning Community taster afternoon at the Cathedral | Kagera: The Revd Theophili Hosea Pastor, Ibuga Parish.  |
| **Sun 30 Apr 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryWhitton with Thurleston and Akenham: The Revd Mary Sokanovic; the Revd Maureen Bonsall | Confirmation Service at St Mary Stoke in Ipswich | Pray for the work of churches in Burundi who are helping to overcome hunger in their communities. Pray that ongoing training of farmers will increase yields and so improve lives. |