**Prayer Diary May 2023**

*Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses Mark 11:25*

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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| **Mon 1 May 2023** | Ipswich DeaneryWesterfield and Tuddenham St Martin with Witnesham: The Revd Charlotte Cook; Paul Laughlin (Reader) | For the Tourism and Entertainment Industry in Suffolk | Pray for peace in Sudan after fighting between the army and the RSF. Pray for those who have lost loved ones and those who have lost their homes. |
| **Tues 2 May 2023**  | Ixworth DeaneryBadwell and Walsham: The Revd Philip Merry | Church Primary Schools in Ixworth Deanery: Bardwell, Barnham, Barningham, Honington, Hopton, Ixworth, and Norton  | Kagera: The Revd Canon Furaha J Kamana, the Diocesan Vicar General |
| **Wed 3 May 2023** | Ixworth DeaneryBlackbourne Team: The Revd Dr Karen Burton; The Revd Lesley Norburn; The Revd Catriona Brinkley; Frances Brown (Lay Pioneer) | Rural and Agricultural Chaplains | Kagera: Pray for Andrea Nziko, the administrator of Murgwanza Hospital.  |
| **Thurs****4 May****2023** | Ixworth DeaneryPakenham with Norton, Tostock with Great Ashfield, Hunston and Stowlangtoft: The Revd Katherine Valentine | Libraries, Museums and Parks of Suffolk | Biharamulo: The Revd Godfrey Makoti, pastor of Mtundu Parish |
| **Fri 5 May 2023** | Ixworth DeaneryStanton: The Revd Cathy Bladen; Hilary Wordsworth-Sewell (Children and Families’ Minister) | Parent and Toddler Groups | Kagera: The Revd Obadia Dishon Gwassa, Parish Pastor, Nyakafandi |
| **Sat** **6 May 2023** | Lavenham DeaneryBradfield St Clare, Bradfield St George with Little Whelnetham, Cockfield, Felsham and Gedding: The Revd Canon Sharon Potter; The Revd Richard Stainer; The Revd Helen Grover; Christine Stainer (Children and Families’ Minister) | The Coronation and events in Suffolk | Pray for our new king Charles the Third as he is crowned today. Pray that he will, as Head of the Commonwealth, bring a new impetus to solving some of the problems faced by the poorest countries in our world. Pray that he will continue his advocacy for protecting God’s creation. |
| **Sun 7 May 2023** | Lavenham DeaneryElmswell St John the Divine: The Revd Peter Goodridge | For all refugees in Suffolk | Christian Aid week begins in a week’s time. Pray for those who will be out collecting on the streets that Christian Aid can continue its work helping those who are struggling in developing countries because of drought, flood, unfair trade rules and the climate crisis.  |
| **Mon 8** **May 2023** | Lavenham DeaneryLavenham with Preston: The Revd Canon Simon Pitcher; The Revd Graham Naylor | Beginning of The Cathedral’s Suffolk Saints’ Pilgrimage | Kagera: The Revd Canon Aggrey Mashanda, Parish Pastor, Musumba |
| **Tues 9 May****2023** | Lavenham DeaneryMonks Eleigh with Chelsworth and Brent Eleigh with Milden and Kettlebaston: The Revd Mike Birt | Church Primary Schools in Lavenham Deanery: Cockfield Primary School; Great Whelnetham Primary School; All Saints Primary School Lawshall; Rattlesden Primary School; Rougham Primary School | Kagera: The Revd Macklin Daniel, Rural Dean of Rusumo |
| **Wed****10 May 2023**  | Lavenham DeaneryRattlesden with Thorpe Morieux, Brettenham and Hitcham: vacant; Julie Rayner (Licensed Evangelist); Ruth Crocket (Reader); Alison Pernot (Children and Families’ Minister) | The SHAPE online course begins today for those exploring different forms of ministry | Kagera: The Revd Canon Elkana Banchako (Archdeacon), Rural Dean of Mugoma Deanery. |
| **Thurs** **11 May****2023** | Lavenham DeaneryRougham, Beyton with Hessett and Rushbrooke: vacant; Marcus Bateman (Reader) | Chaplain to the Deaf Church (The Revd Penny Brinkley) | Pray for the survivors of the earthquakes in Syria and Turkey who are still recovering from the trauma of the disasters. Many of them are struggling to sleep, suffer from flashbacks and find it difficult to sleep inside buildings. Pray for their peace of mind. |
| **Fri 12 May 2023** | Lavenham DeanerySaint Edmund Way Benefice: The Revd Mark Hinde | IT and Telecoms Industries in Suffolk | Biharamulo: The Revd John Paul, pastor in Buziku parish  |
| **Sat 13 May 2023** | Lavenham DeaneryWoolpit with Drinkstone Benefice: The Revd Ruth Farrell; Susan Turner and Diane Copping (Children and Families’ Minister) | Love Rural (God's calling for the church in Suffolk countryside) | Pray for an end to the ongoing war between Ukraine and Russia. Pray for those agencies which continue to provide food, shelter and mental health support to those who have fled the conflict. |
| **Sun 14****May 2023** | Loes DeaneryDebenham and Helmingham: The Revd Susan Taylor; The Revd Tracey James | Installation of the new Archdeacon of Suffolk, Rich Henderson, at the Cathedral | Today is the start of Christian Aid week. Pray that people will be generous in their giving that Christian Aid will be able to continue to support the poorest communities throughout the world. Pray that they will be able to continue to campaign for a fairer world and for action on the climate crisis. |
| **Mon 15 May 2023** | Loes DeaneryFramlingham with Saxtead: The Revd Christopher Davey; Edith Peck (Reader) | Christian Aid Week focussing on farmers in Malawi | Pray for the Hannah Ministries in Byumba, Rwanda, working hard with the most vulnerable children 75% of whom have Aids at this difficult time. |
| **Tues 16 May 2023** | Loes DeaneryMid Loes: The Revd Gary Best; The Revd Kathleen Martin | Business and Finance Sector in Suffolk | Kagera: The Revd Dickson David Mpenihaka, Pastor, Djuruligwa Parish. |
| **Wed 17 May 2023** | Loes DeaneryOrebeck: vacant; Martin Crane (Reader) | Church Schools in Loes Deanery: Charsfield Primary, Debenham High, Sir Robert Hitcham’s Primary, Debenham, Dennington Primary | Kagera: Christopher Kanyankole leading the Prevention of Parent to Child Transmission of HIV/AIDS Project. Praise for babies being born free of the virus. |
| **Thurs****18 May 2023** | Loes DeaneryWickham Market with Pettistree: The Revd Leslie Siu; The Revd Jenny Catchpole | Chaplains to the prisons in our diocese | Peace talks are happening in Yemen’s capital city between different parties involved in the Yemen conflict. The talks are aimed at reaching a new and potentially permanent ceasefire. Pray for the success of these talks and that they will lead to a permanent ceasefire and lasting peace in Yemen. |
| **Fri 19 May 2023** | Loes DeaneryUpper Alde: The Revd Martin Percival | Big Suffolk Prayer Walk | Biharamulu: Pray for Alex Mhunda Diocesan General Secretary. |
| **Sat 20 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryBrandon: The Revd Canon Sharron Coburn; The Revd Dennis Coburn; The Revd Kath Palmer | Mental Health Services and Charities | Kagera: Pray for The Revd Deusdedith Kabiriti, Parish Pastor, Omurutoma Parish |
| **Sun 21 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryLakenheath, Santon Downham and Elveden: vacant | Lightwave Community Event: Catching the Fire | Pray for more action to be taken by governments to limit the rise in temperatures around the world. The climate crisis is already having a major impact in many developing nations. Pray that governments will do what they can to reduce quickly the use of fossil fuels. |
| **Mon 22 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryThe Forest Heath Team Ministry: The Revd Chris Childs; The Revd David Butcher; The Revd Caroline Butcher; The Revd Sue Leathley; The Revd Adam Barclay; The Revd Diane Grano; Stephen Hurton (Licensed Evangelist);  | Military Bases in Suffolk – British and US | Kagera: The Revd Josias Buneye, Coordinator of Youth Work in the diocese |
| **Tues 23 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryNewmarket All Saints: The Revd Robert Otule; The Revd Su Shaw; The Revd Robert Molton; The Revd Ricky Woodard | Church schools in Mildenhall Deanery: Elveden Primary School; Moulton Primary School; St Mary’s School Mildenhall, All Saints Primary School Newmarket; St Christopher's Primary School, Red Lodge. | Kagera: Pray for children who have started school this term, particularly those in NAPS, the Diocesan Primary School and Mchungaji Mwema, the Secondary School. |
| **Wed****24 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryNewmarket St Mary with Exning St Agnes: vacant; The Revd Cheryl Belding; The Revd Jeremy Lind | Chaplains to Colleges and Universities | Kagera: The Revd Robert Boaz, Parish Pastor, Nyamahuna |
| **Thurs 25 May 2023** | Mildenhall DeaneryExning St Martin with Landwade: vacant | St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Anglican Cursillo - for laity and clergy of that movement and its contribution to the Diocesan Growing in God Initiative | Kagera: The Revd Dedan Israel Kaje, Pastor of Ntobeye Parish |
| **Fri 26 May 2023**  | Samford DeaneryEast Bergholt and Brantham: vacant; Ruth Bull; Nick Pavitt (Readers) | Alcoholics Anonymous Groups in Suffolk | Biharamulo: The Revd Fredrishi Mulimbura Kabobe, parish priest of Mwendakulima Parish |
| **Sat****27** **May 2023** | Samford DeaneryCapel St Mary with Little Wenham and Great Wenham: The Revd Sally Letman | Messy Church groups and events | Pray for those who are asylum seekers fleeing persecution and war hoping to find a better life in our own country. Pray for tolerance and understanding on the part of those in government and wisdom to find humane solutions to the problem of small boats crossing the Channel. |
| **Sun 28 May 2023** | Samford DeaneryShoreline: The Revd Canon Liesbeth Oosterhof; Andrew Coulson (Reader) | Pentecost: the finale of the Archbishops’ ‘Thy Kingdom Come’ prayer initiative: Praying and Living the Kingdom Empowered by the Holy Spirit | Biharamulo: The Revd Joas Jeremiah Rulalahehi, parish priest of Igarula parish  |
| **Mon 29 May 2023** | Samford DeaneryThe North Samford Benefice: vacant | Chaplains to hospices in the diocese - The Revd Morag Finch, the Revd Canon Sharon Connell | Pray for peace in Israel and Palestine, that both Israelis and Palestinians may live peacefully together. |
| **Tues 30 May 2023** | Samford DeaneryThe Two Rivers Benefice: The Revd Jenny Seggar; The Revd Duncan Myatt | Church Primary Schools in Samford Deanery: Bentley, Capel St Mary, Chelmondiston, East Bergholt, Sproughton, Stutton, Tattingstone | Kagera: The Revd Jotham Herman Kabiligi, Pastor in Nyakayanja Parish |
| **Wed 31 May 2023** | Saxmundham DeaneryAlde Sandlings: The Revd Sarah Du Boulay; The Revd Jo Mabey; The Revd Nichola Winter  | Suffolk Show | Biharamulo: The Revd Lazaro Joram, pastor at Bwanga parish |