Prayer Diary December 2021

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. John 1:5

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

For details of the Anglian Communion please visit <u>here</u>.

For details of the Church of England calendar please visit <u>here</u>.

| Wed 1 Dec 2021 | Sudbury Deanery Suffolk Heights: vacancy, Barbara Hill (Reader) | Chaplains to hospices in the diocese - The Revd Morag Finch, the Revd Canon Sharon Connell, Alex South | Pray that world leaders will now start to implement their promises made at COP 26 so that the existential crisis caused by climate change will be averted. Pray that all governments will start to phase out fossil fuels as soon as possible. |
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| Thurs 2 Dec 2021 | Sudbury Deanery The Stour Valley: The Revd Mark Woodrow | Social Workers | Pray for the increasingly desperate situation in Afghanistan. Pray for the women and girls who are especially vulnerable. Pray for enough food, clean water, a safe home and opportunities for work |
| Fri 3 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Felixstowe Christ Church: The Revd Marcus Mak, The Revd Liz Livey, The Revd Peter Livey | Church School in Colneys Deanery: Nacton Primary School | Kagera: Pray for Joel Aleku the Headteacher at Ngara Anglican Primary School |

| Sat 4 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Felixstowe St John the Baptist with St Edmund: The Revd Canon Andrew Dotchin; The Revd Penny Brinkley | Sports Clubs and Gyms | Kagera: The Revd Joseph Kalekezi, Pastor of Chivu Parish and Rural Dean of Kumubanga |
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| Sun 5 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Felixstowe St Peter & St Paul with St Andrew & St Nicholas: The Revd Chris Hood, The Revd David White; The Revd Emma Haggar | Pray for the Family Eucharist with Nativity at the Cathedral today | Pray for an end to fighting in northern Nigeria. Pray for those forced to flee from Bok Haram and live in camps where cholera and other diseases spread quickly. |
| Mon 6 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Kesgrave with Little Bealings and Playford: The Revd Robin Spittle; The Revd Gary Jones; Martyn Shakespeare (Reader) | On St Nicholas' Day we pray especially for St Nicholas Hospice, Bury St Edmunds; The Revd Canon Sharon Connell, the Chaplaincy Team and all patients, families and visitors | Kagera: The Revd Hosea Kishongo and Evangelist Bosco Daud in Bushangaro Parish. |
| Tues 7 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Martlesham with Brightwell: The Revd Toby Tate; The Revd Christine Pinder; The Revd Margaret Rittman; Cathy Bourner (Lay Evangelist); Carolyn Smith (Reader) | Advent Course with Bishop Mike: Helpful Practices through Advent | Kagera: The Revd Stembridge Lazaro, Rural Dean Mwivuza Deanery. |
| Wed 8 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery The Orwell and Deben Rural Benefice: The Revd Canon Ian Wilson | Pray for clergy and churches as they plan to celebrate Christmas in a Covid safe way | Biharamulo: The Revd Grayson Mutegeki Katunzi, Katoke Parish & Acting Diocesan Secretary |

| Thurs 9 Dec 2021 | Colneys Deanery Walton and Trimley: The Revd Paul Clarke; The Revd Wendy Smith; David Smith (Lay Pastor); Rachel Clarke; Diane White (Readers) | Environment and care of God's creation in Suffolk | Pray for the people of Ethiopia and particularly the area of Tigray where there has been no de-escalation of violence. Pray for those who have been displaced and pray for peace in that region. |
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| Fri 10 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Bramford with Little Blakenham, Baylham and Nettlestead: The Revd Eric Falla | IT and Telecoms Industries in Suffolk | Pray for wisdom for international leaders and policy leaders for how they engage with the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan on addressing the economic issues. Pray that the problems with the currency will soon end so that people can be paid and have access to their finances. |
| Sat 11 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Henley St Peter: The Revd Cathy Austin | Military Bases in Suffolk | Pray for the graduation at KCTC on 12th December and the students who will be leaving the college to return to their parishes. |
| Sun 12 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Needham Market with Badley: The Revd Canon Diane Williams; The Revd Sarah Du Boulay; Kate Holmes (Reader) | For the Emergency Services holding their Carol Service at the Cathedral tomorrow | Biharamulo: The Revd Richard Karugune Bizundera, Bwanga Parish. |
| Mon 13 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery North Bosmere: The Revd Philip Payne; The Revd Helen Norris; Henry Stanford (Reader) | Rural Coffee Caravan/Meet up Mondays | Kagera: The Revd Amani Omary, Parish Pastor Murongo |

| Tues 14 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Bacton with Wyverstone, Cotton and Old Newton, and Wickham Skeith: The Revd Carl Melville; Helen Matter; Elaine Miller (Readers) | Church Primary Schools in Gipping Valley Deanery: Bramford; Creeting St Mary; Stonham Aspal; Trinity, Combs; Great Finborough; Crawford's, Haughley; and Old Newton | Kagera: The children and staff at Ngara Anglican Primary School |
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| Wed 15 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Claydon Benefice: The Revd Canon Mark Haworth; Wendy Hooper (Licensed Evangelist); Wendy Hooper; Ruth Dennigan (Readers) | Tourism and Entertainment Industry | Kagera: The Rev Emmanuel Jonathan, Mchungaii Mweba (Good Shepherd) Secondary School |
| Thurs 16 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Combs and Finborough: The Revd Sarah Jenkins; The Revd Canon Pauline Higham | Mental Health Care, Chaplains, Health Services and Charities | Kagera: The Revd Joshua Patroba, Pastor, Mukirehe Parish. |
| Fri 17 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Haughley with Wetherden and Stowupland: The Revd Brin Singleton | Parent and Toddler Groups | Kagera: In this climate crisis, pray for successful harvests after the early rains which were so torrential that many farmers lost maize, beans and peanuts. |
| Sat 18 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Mendlesham St Mary: The Revd Philip Gray | Chaplains to Uniformed Organisations | Kagera: Shemasi Deo Phillemon, Parish Pastor for Muruvyagila |

| Sun 19 Dec 2021 | Gipping Valley Deanery Stowmarket St Peter and St Mary: The Revd Michael Eden; The Revd Richard Stretch; Heather Bunting; Tony Ingham (Readers) | Police and Judicial System in Suffolk | In Bangladesh, poorer communities in low- lying areas keep getting pushed further into poverty by the increase in climate-related disasters. Pray for protection for these communities and more resources to enable that protection to be put in place. |
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| Mon 20 Dec 2021 | Hadleigh Deanery The Brett Valley Benefice: The Revd Elke Cattermole; Teresa Lester (Reader) | Schools and Colleges in Suffolk | Cocoa farmers in Ivory Coast are set to lose one fifth of their income next year due to the price of cocoa beans decreasing. Large chocolate companies are reporting higher profits, but are not paying farmers more for the cocoa. Pray for the work of Fairtrade and Tearfund as they try to ensure a fair price for the farmers' hard work. |
| Tues 21 Dec 2021 | Hadleigh Deanery Elmsett with Aldham, Hintlesham, Chattisham and Kersey: The Revd Jackson Crompton-Battersby; The Revd Adrian Waller | Family Christmas Crafts at the Cathedral | Kagera: The Revd Repson Katto Kagya, Rural Dean of Bukiriro and Parish pastor Murugunga |
| Wed 22 Dec 2021 | Hadleigh Deanery Hadleigh, Layham and Shelley: The Very Revd Jo Delfgou | For all who work in the Diocesan Office as they celebrate Christmas today | Kagera: The Revd Canon Edson Niduha, Kanazi Parish |

| Thurs 23 Dec 2021 | Hadleigh Deanery Higham, Holton St Mary, Raydon and Stratford St Mary: The Revd Manette Crossman; The Revd Martyn Carr; The Revd Nicola Tindall | For people whose jobs require them to work over Christmas | Kagera: The Revd Odace Buchendole, Rural Dean of Murugalama |
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| Fri 24 Dec 2021 | Hadleigh Deanery The Benefice of Stoke by Nayland with Leavenheath and Polstead and Nayland with Wissington: The Revd Stéphane Javelle; Derek Johns (Reader) | Service Personnel overseas and their families spending Christmas apart | Kagera: The Revd John Ruzabila, Nyamiaga Parish. |
| Sat 25 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery Athelington, Denham, Horham, Hoxne, Redlingfield, Syleham and Wingfield: The Revd John McCracken; The Revd Eleanor Goodison | Prisons in Suffolk (Hollesley Bay, Warren Hill, Highpoint), Chaplains, prisoners and staff | On this day we simply pray for peace on Earth in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. |
| Sun 26 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery Eye: The Revd Dr Guy Sumpter | For the sick, bereaved and those who find Christmas a difficult time | Pray for the continued growth of the Fairtrade movement in this country so that more people in developing countries might get a fair price for their labour. Pray that all churches will become Fairtrade churches. |
| Mon 27 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery Four Rivers: The Revd David Burrell; The Revd David Mulrenan; The Revd Rebecca Artiss; The Revd Chrissie Smart | Alcoholics Anonymous | Biharamulo: The Revd Joas Jeremiah, Igarula Parish |

| Tues 28 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery North Hartismere: The Revd Adrian Watkins | Church Schools in Hartismere Deanery: Botesdale, Eye, Gislingham, Mellis, Palgrave, Thorndon, Wetheringsett | Kagera : The Revd Celestin Yusuph Sunzu (Archdeacon) Rural Dean of Kabanga |
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| Wed 29 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery Redgrave cum Botesdale with Rickinghall: The Revd Chris Norburn; Fiona Erith (Reader); Barbara Norburn (Children and Families' Minister) | For the unemployed and jobseekers | Biharamulo: The Revd John Paul, Rusuno Parish |
| Thurs 30 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery Sancroft: The Revd Canon Susan Loxton; The Revd Diane Ekins-Powell; The Revd Gini Williams; The Revd Peter Schwier | For Local Councils, Councillors and MPs | Kagera: Pray for all diocesan staff, including secretaries, accountants, administrators, cooks, cleaners, night guards, drivers, who support the priests. |
| Fri 31 Dec 2021 | Hartismere and Hoxne Deanery South Hartismere: The Revd Canon Julia; The Revd Lauren Moore | For our diocesan goals: growing in depth, younger, in influence and in number | Kagera: The Revd Amon Jackson, Principal at KCTC. Pray that he will be able to continue to make the changes which ensure the future of the College and a better education for his students. |