



Uxbridge Parish Prayer Diary

March 2017



I will exalt you, my God the King;
 I will praise your name for ever and ever.
 Every day I will praise you and extol your name for
 ever and ever.
 Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
 His greatness no-one can fathom.
 One generation will commend your works to another;
 they will tell of your mighty acts.
 (Psalm 145:1-3).

1 st	<p>Ash Wednesday Father in Heaven, Protect us in our struggle against evil. As we begin the discipline of Lent, make this season holy by our self-denial. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever.</p> <p>May your blessing be poured out in St. Margaret's today and on those attending the Oasis Lunch for Workers, and those helping. May your grace and wisdom flow through Peronel as she speaks about Managing our Time and may it enable and encourage each person to use their time, gifts, skills and rest for their wellbeing and others.</p>
2 nd	<p>May those attending the Oasis4Workers time today enjoy the opportunity to relax in this building, come alongside each other and rejoice in the freedom and time we have to share together.</p>

2 nd cont...	<p>Youth Work - Please continue to pray for Paul's health and healing; for his course work and relationships with the Young People and also for all those involved with working with the Young People in the parish. May each person spending time with the Youth be encouraged as they build and deepen their relationships and are able to share their faith with each other. Enable them to see the fruits of the Spirit growing among our Young People and then reaching out to others known to them also.</p>
3 rd	<p>Please lift to our Heavenly Father those attending this event 'Women's World Day of Prayer – Philippines' in Christ Church and guide us all in the way we pray for those living in the Philippines, the theme being: Am I Being Unfair to You?</p> <p>Lent Study Groups: Abba, Father, pour out on those who will be attending these groups the spirit of understanding, truth and peace. Help each person to desire with all their hearts to know you more and to seek what is pleasing to you, and how to share with others the wonderful loving Father in Heaven that they know.</p>
4 th	<p>Abba, Father may those able to attend the Lent Quiet Morning in St. Andrew's this morning, relax in the quiet of Your temple of Prayer and 'Be still and know that You are God'. Speak through Rosie and set the scene for this time of Lent as being a time centred on You a Loving God who cares so much for us and for all that Jesus came and did to save us and encourage our relation with you Father.</p>
5 th Sun	<p>Lord speak to us in the ordinary things of life as well as the extraordinary. Warm our hearts as we listen to Your words and send us out rejoicing. Amen.</p> <p>Heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to start to 'Update of Electoral Roll' and for new members of Your family here to acknowledge their belief and attendance and join the roll. May Your love for each one of us be shared with others near and far, for Your love is an amazing mystery that needs to be accepted and shared throughout the world You created to Your glory and praise.</p>

6 th	<p>Holy God, please guide and bless the Staff as they meet together today. We lift each one of them to You asking You to guide and strengthen them in their relationship and service of You and Your family here in Uxbridge. We pray also for times of rest and relaxation to enhance and encourage them.</p> <p>Abba, Father we thank you for the work of the Hillingdon Foodbank reaching out with your love to those in need. Continue to bless the work they are doing and prompt people to help in providing the necessary food items.</p>
7 th	<p>Lord Jesus, we thank you for the Hillingdon Clergy Chapter as they meet together today. Please be in the centre of their time together. May it be a time of consideration and sharing with one another that encourages and supports each in their relationship with You and each other and enabling the sharing of gifts and skills to enhance their lives and that of their loved ones and church family.</p>
8 th	<p>I bless the members of the St. M's Building's Staff team as they meet today. May they know the presence of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit in their lives and God's guidance and love during this meeting and each day as they meet with him and others in the church, a place of prayer.</p> <p>Loving Father, we lift to you those members of the family who are on the St. Margaret's Standing Committee as they meet today. Please guide them in the discussions and any decisions they need to make, to Your glory and praise Loving Father.</p>
9 th	<p>It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to the Most High (Psalm 92:1). Today spend some time just praising the Lord for He is good and His love endures for ever.</p>
10 th	<p>Father God, please guide and enlighten the volunteers at the Guiding Lights Drop In today. Encourage them as they seek to be a safe haven in Your name to those in need, and enable them to make a difference in the lives of those they meet and greet. We thank You for this Drop-In.</p>

10 th cont...	<p>Almighty God, we thank you for the Mission & Ministry Course that was held at St. Margaret's and ask You to guide those as they discuss how the course went and the possibilities of running another one. Grant them wisdom and enable them to seek to learn from previous experiences and continue to improve and enable others to seek Your will and purpose and the best use of their gifts and skills to serve You and those whom You love so much.</p>
11 th	<p>May God bless Alan & Suki as they share their vows and are married today at St. Margaret's. May they deepen their love for each other in the years to come as well as their relationship with God their heavenly father, who loves them and provides for them.</p>
12 th Sun	<p>Father God, stir in us hearts that praise and worship you in Spirit and in Truth. Bring to mind and help us to remember what we have received and heard, that we may be obedient to our calling in every way. Father God make us people devoted to prayer, abiding in Your presence and therefore enabling us to be the overcomers you have called us be.</p> <p>Holy God, we lift to You today the Revd. Julia Bevis-Knowles as she is licensed as Asst. Priest at St. Lawrence, Eastcote. May Your Holy Spirit continue to work in and through her, give her wisdom as she teaches Your word and abundant love as she walks alongside and ministers to those who come to her in need or seeking Your presence God in this world. Amen.</p>
13 th	<p>Please continue to pray for our Clergy as they Meet this morning.</p> <p>Continue to pray for God's wisdom and guidance for our Government as they discuss and make decisions about Brexit, immigration, finance, education, health and housing issues, that they might act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly before God as they review policies and benefits that will affect the wellbeing of the people of this country and elsewhere.</p>

14 th	Sovereign Lord, we thank you for the relationships being formed among parents, carers and toddlers as they meet on Tuesday (Little Peoples Oasis) and Wednesday mornings (Praymates) at St. M's. Lord Jesus meet with them as they meet with each other, and bless these little ones as they learn to share and play together.
15 th	<p>We lift to you Loving Father, Rachel and Paula our Outreach Pastoral Workers. Please continue to touch Paula with healing of body, mind and spirit and may You provide for each of them and use them mightily as they listen and pray with those who come into the coffee shop seeking support and understanding. Father God fill them with wisdom as they seek to share your love and compassion to those seeking help for their needs and situation.</p> <p>Holy God, may you reign in the lives of the members of the St. M's Operations Group meeting today. May they listen and be guided by You in all they share, say and do in Your name and to Your glory, Holy God</p>
16 th	Loving Father, we thank you for the provision of Oasis4Workers enabling those working in Uxbridge to take time out, share food together, relax and build relationships with one another in Your loving presence and a place of prayer, to Your Praise and Glory. Amen.
17 th	Please pray today that the Jesus 'the Great Physician' will bring healing to body, mind and soul of those listed in our bulletin who have asked for our prayers. Name them individually before the LORD who heals.
18 th	<p>We delight gracious Father in those who minister to our children and young people and to those who attend the safeguarding refresher time this morning at St. Andrew's</p> <p>Lord Jesus, be in the centre of all that goes on today at the Alpha Holy Spirit Day. May Your love fill this meeting and may the Holy Spirit fall on those attending. May questions be answered and relationships grow and deepen to your glory and praise.</p>

19 th Sun	<p>Father you know the plans and purposes You have for St. Margaret's. Please be at the centre of all that is said and done, in our worship and relationships and most especially our ministry to the lost and marginalised in our community. Work in us and through us that we may bless others as You have blessed and provided for us, now and always.</p> <p>Father most holy, we thank you for those who ring out the news of the opportunity to meet with and worship You through the gift of bell ringing. Please raise up among us others who would want to call your people to come to prayer, worship and glorify You in this way in Uxbridge.</p>
20 th	Footprints - Lord we pray for Shirley and other members of St. M's each Monday as they minister to those that have suffered recent bereavements. Help them to have your words for those that they come alongside and minister to.
21 st	Sovereign Lord we are so blessed to have members of our congregations exploring Vocations in the Parish . Lord guide them as they seek your will and purpose for their lives and ministry. May they continually rest in your presence and seek your counsel each step of the journey you have ahead of them and complete in them the work which you have begun through the deepening of their relationship with You.
22 nd	Holy Spirit please be at work in and through the Management Team of the Street Angels as they meet tonight to share and talk about the ministry of reaching out and safeguarding members of the community late on Friday and Saturday nights by those called by You to be Street Angels.
23 rd	Loving God, we thank you for Rob and the volunteers who give of their time to serve in the Coffee Shop, reaching out to those who come in for food and drink and the opportunity for people to be able to come into the church to pray and spend time in quiet with you the Loving God who is present to all who cry out to you. May your loving presence be made known and expressed as one tells another and tells their friends of the experience of

	Your loving presence God in this place of St. Margaret's Church and Coffee Shop.
24 th	Worship Groups & St. A's Choir. Father God we want to thank you so much for the musicians and singers who enable and encourage us in our worship week by week. Father may they be aware of your presence with them as they lead us and your blessing upon them throughout the week and especially as they rehearse and practice together.
25 th	Sovereign Lord please be in the midst of Messy Church as they come to worship You today. May Your love touch the hearts of the children and parents who attend and may they enjoy activities and a meal together. May they especially come to know You more deeply as their friend, their Lord and their Saviour.
26 th Sun	Father we thank you today for our Mothers, for who they are, all they have done and the role that they have within the family. Fill them today with your love and may they know your presence with them in the good times as well as the difficult ones. Reflect on the following today: You did not choose me, but I chose you. You are my beloved disciple....
27 th	St A's School Eucharist at St A's. It is always great to see and hear the pupils and staff from the school as they came to worship. Holy God may this joyous time be a blessing to all in attendance and may the enthusiastic praise of these young people please Your heart. Please continue to pray for Julie Churchyard and Lee Halford , thanking God for their gifts and skills in Accounting as they use these gifts to keep the church accounts in order.
28 th	Loving Father, we thank you that those who attend Songs of Praise today have the opportunity of enjoying a Tea Dance and fellowship after their time of worshipping You. May this time of fun together enable them to build deeper relationships with one other and see your loving presence in those who they are sharing this time with, in Jesus name we pray. Amen.

29 th	Heavenly Father we lift to you those members of the Church Councils who discuss the hard decisions about worship, finance and use of the buildings affecting our lives, ministry and worship at St. Andrew's and St. Margaret's in Uxbridge. Please lead and guide them in their discussions and decisions that Your will be done and Your kingdom come here in Uxbridge, now and always.
30 th	Lord Jesus, as You washed your disciples' feet, bathe us in your refreshing spirit. As you wiped away the dust of the road, wipe away our accumulation of stress and tiredness. As you took the towel to dry sore feet, soothe the sore places in our lives, so that replenished, renewed and restored we are ready to follow your way of servant love. Amen. Today please lift in prayer those countries in which Christians are Persecuted because of their faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.
31 st	Loving God, we thank you for those who teach our children in Schools, Colleges and University as today is the End of the School Term . Please grant them some restful time with family and friends. May the children and young people find refreshment, fun and safety during this holiday period.

All you have made will praise you, O LORD;
your saints will extol you.
They will tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.
(Psalm 145:10-13)

