

25 SATURDAY

Matthew 2:6 "...out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people." Pray for those today who need Jesus' care as a shepherd.

Ministry team

26 SUNDAY

Matthew 2:11 "They...presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." Ask God to show you what gifts you can offer to him today for his service.

Care Home ministry

27 MONDAY

Matthew 2:19 "An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream..." For the third time Joseph follows God's leading. Ask God to make you sensitive to his leading each day.

Prison ministry

28 TUESDAY

Luke 2:39 "Joseph and Mary ... returned to their own town of Nazareth." As the memories of Christmas fade and life returns to routine, pray that you would not forget Jesus your Saviour in all that you do.

29 WEDNESDAY

Luke 2:50 "Then Jesus went down with his parents and was obedient to them." This is one of the few details we know of Jesus' first 30 years. Pray that it is important to you to live in obedience to your heavenly father. Pray for our young people.

30 THURSDAY

Pray for the sub group finalising details for the church weekend. Pray for all those coming to speak to us as they prepare their talks. Pray for a good attendance and that we would be excited about meeting together.

31 FRIDAY

Pray for William, Nora, Bethany, Megan and Connor as they prepare for their trip to Kenya next month. Ask God to go ahead of them and undertake for every challenge and opportunity. Pray that the missionaries they will visit will be blessed and encouraged by their company.



PRAYER DIARY

JANUARY 2020

Taking Advent into the New Year

We are going to take thoughts from the Christmas story to guide our prayers for the new year. Please look up the text if you are unsure of the context.

Please pray for each organisation mentioned as well.

"I will honour Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year."

Charles Dickens

01 WEDNESDAY

Luke 1:4 "...so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught." Meditate today on the truth of the gospel and thank God that his message is certain and reliable.

Parents and Toddlers

02 THURSDAY

Luke 1:7 "But they were childless." Pray for those who grieve but also give thanks that just as the birth of John the Baptist brought hope, so all our godly longings will be fulfilled in the new heaven and earth.

Sunday Club

03 FRIDAY

Luke 1:16 "He will bring back many of the people ...to the Lord." Meditate today on the joy repentance brings and the welcome that is waiting from the Father.

Bible Class

04 SATURDAY

Luke 1:18 "Zechariah asked...'How can I be sure of this?' "Ask God to give you the grace to listen to him and trust him. Pray for those seeking truth.

Pathfinders

05 SUNDAY

Luke 1:32 "His kingdom will never end."
As we see the injustice and evil in our world, rejoice that Jesus will return to restore all things.

Crossroads

06 MONDAY

Luke 1:34 "How will this be?' Mary asked...'since I am a virgin?'" Give thanks that Jesus can identify with our humanity and save us from our sin because of his sinless life.

Children's Church

07 TUESDAY

Luke 1:35 "The holy one to be born will be called the Son of God." Thank Jesus for humbling himself to come to earth and pray that you can imitate his humility.

Youth Fellowship

08 WEDNESDAY

Luke 1:38 "I am the Lord's servant,' Mary said. 'May your word to me be fulfilled.'" Pray for God to give you faith like Mary's.

Craft Group

09 THURSDAY

Luke 1:44 "...the baby in my womb leaped for joy." John leaps for joy as all the prophesies are fulfilled. Pray that we would share the thrill of Jesus birth in 2020.

Session

10 FRIDAY

Luke 1:53 "He has filled the hungry with good things." Give thanks with gratitude for all God has given you and pray for those in need.

Committee

11 SATURDAY

Luke 1:74 "...to rescue us from...our enemies and to enable us to serve him without fear." Pray for the persecuted church and times when our faith is under attack in N. Ireland.

Worship team

12 SUNDAY

Luke 1:68-70 "Praise be to the Lord for he has come to his people and redeemed them...as he said through his prophets long ago." Praise God for keeping his promises.

AV team

13 MONDAY

Luke 1:78,79 "The rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness." Thank God that Jesus has overcome the shadow of death. Pray for those bereaved.

Ushers

14 TUESDAY

Luke 2:7 "There was no room at the inn." Thank Jesus that he lived a life of poverty for us and ask that your focus in life would not be on ease and comfort.

Welcome team

15 WEDNESDAY

Luke 2:12 "This will be a sign to you...you will find a **baby**..." The Messiah was expected to be a king. We look for strength and success – Jesus came in weakness and vulnerability.

Walking Group

16 THURSDAY

Luke 2:14 "Peace to those on whom his favour rests." Pray for peace where you know there is conflict and for those who need to find peace with God.

Women@Maze

17 FRIDAY

Luke 2:19 "But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart." Spend time pondering the things of Jesus and treasuring him.

Creche

18 SATURDAY

Luke 2:21 "He was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived." Jesus means Saviour. Pray with gratitude to the one who came to rescue you.

19 SUNDAY

Luke 2:25 "Now there was a man called Simeon...he was waiting for the consolation of Israel." Pray that you would wait patiently and with confident hope for God to act.

Men@Maze

20 MONDAY

Luke 2:30 "For my eyes have seen your salvation." We have seen Jesus' birth, death, resurrection and ascension. Pray for joyful assurance of his return when life is hard.

Tuesday Club

21 TUESDAY

Luke 2:35 "And a sword will pierce your soul too." Simeon to Mary The shadow of the cross fell across Jesus' birth. Pray for strength to pay the cost of following him.

Puppet ministry

22 WEDNESDAY

Luke 2:36,37 "Anna... worshipped night and day." Pray that you would be devoted like Anna in your private and public worship.

Duke of Edinburgh Scheme

23 THURSDAY

Luke 2:38 "Anna...spoke about the child to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem." Pray that you would share the good news about Jesus today.

Meadow Bridge PS

24 FRIDAY

Matthew 2:2 "We saw his star...and have come to worship him." Jesus came for all peoples. Pray today that all would come to faith in him and for missionaries you know.