

Weekly Prayers and Prayer Themes

1st – 6th January

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

8th – 13th January

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star
to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us,
that we may find our journey's end
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

15th – 20th January

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

22nd – 27th January

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

29th Jan. – 3rd Feb.

God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth
and your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform us
by the good news of everlasting life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Beacon Benefice

Prayer Diary

January 2018

Happy New Year 2018



Lets make 2018 the year we
share the joy of God's
kingdom.

The mission team would be
pleased if you have ideas to
share, especially how we could
extend our prayer life in the
Beacon Benefice.

Please send ideas to the
Beacon Office.

Thank you very much.

We are all seeking, so I have
included a favourite prayer
written by St. Benedict.

Happy Seeking

A Prayer by Saint Benedict for Seekers of Faith

Gracious and Holy Father,
give us the wisdom to
discover You,
the intelligence to understand
You,
the diligence to seek after
You,
the patience to wait for You,
eyes to behold You,
a heart to meditate upon You,
and a life to proclaim You,
through the power of the
Spirit of Jesus, our Lord.
Amen.

Date	Reading	Church	Community	People who live in ...
1	Romans 2.17-end	Nathan Youlton	Local shops	Folly Lane PI
2	Colossians 2.8-end	Office volunteers	Local sports facilities	Friday Street PA
3	Colossians 3.1-11	Open the Book	Painswick Centre	George Court PA
4	Colossians 3.12-4.1	Organists	Painswick Health Centre	Gilberts Lane BR
5	Colossians 4.2-end	Painswick Church Rooms	Painswick Library	Gloucester Road PA
6	John 1.29-34	Painswick Roman Catholic Church	Painswick Tourist information Centre	Gloucester Street PA
8	Matthew 21.1-17	Painswick Society of Friends	Painswick Town Hall	Golf Course Road PA
9	Matthew 21.18-32	Pastoral visitors/Links	Painswick Village	Greenhouse Lane SH/PA
10	Matthew 21.33-end	PCC members	Painswick Youth & Community Pavilion	Grunters Lane ED/HA
11	Matthew 22.1-14	Psalms staff	Parish Councils	Gyde Road PA
12	Matthew 22.15-33	Psalms volunteers	Pitchcombe Village	Hale Lane PA
13	Matthew 22.34-end	Retired clergy	Pitchcombe Village Hall	Halfway Pitch PI
15	Matthew 24.1-14	Retired Readers	Resthaven Nursing Home	Hambutts Drive PA
16	Matthew 24.15-28	Sacristans/Vergers	Richmond Care Village	Hambutts Mead PA
17	Matthew 24.29-end	Sheepscombe Methodist Church	Sheepscombe Primary School	Harescombe Village
18	Matthew 25.1-13	Sidespeople	Sheepscombe Village	Haresfield Lane HA
19	Matthew 25.14-30	St James, Cranham	Sheepscombe Village Hall	Hill Mead BR
20	Matthew 25.31-end	St John the Baptist, Edge	The emergency services	Holcombe Road ED/PA
22	Matthew 26.1-16	St John the Baptist, Harescombe	The retired	Hollyhock Lane PA
23	Matthew 26.17-35	St John the Baptist, Pitchcombe	The unemployed	Horsepools Hill ED
24	Matthew 26.36-46	St John, Sheepscombe	Those away at university or college	Hyett Close PA
25	Philippians.3.1-4	St Mary's, Painswick	Those who look after children	Hyett Orchard PA
26	Matthew 26.57-end	St Mary's, Kabanga, Tanzania	Those who travel to work	Jacks Green SH
27	Matthew 27.1-10	Stroud Foodbank and Furniturebank	Those who work from home	Jenkins Lane ED
29	Matthew 27.11-26	Sue Hartley	Those who work in service industries	Kemps Lane PA
30	Matthew 27.27-44	The work of PSALMS	Utility companies	Kings Mill Lane PA
31	Matthew 27.45-56	Wedding and baptism co-ordinators	Visitors to the benefice	Kingsmead PA