



# Weekly Intercessions



in the Scottish Episcopal Church  
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone  
Weeks beginning Sunday 7 July 2024

## Pentecost 7

The aim of this leaflet is to help you pray at home as part of the Worldwide Anglican family in the Scottish Episcopal Church. Please use this sheet in conjunction with weekly Pewsheets and the SEC Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer.

You can follow these Daily Offices online at  
[www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/](http://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/)

where you will find Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer each day of the week. All the Psalm and Bible texts are automatically there for the day and any commemoration or Festival.

**Morning Prayer 9am for 20mins  
using the link below**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83241840407?pwd=YnBqWkxEeW5NMlBuTDRmbDc0cFZhUT09>

Tel: 0131 460 1196 Meeting ID: 832 4184 0407 Passcode: 076546  
and \*6 to unmute on the 'phone

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## **Faith in action (July) – Children and Young People**

*About one third of children in Scotland live in poverty. Children and young people across Scotland experience a range of difficulties and hardship: 100,000 live with domestic violence; 40,000 to 60,000 with their parents' drug misuse and another 80,000 to 100,000 are affected by parental alcohol misuse. These children, along with others whose parents have mental health problems, are often acting as young carers of needy adults and they are not able to enjoy their childhood as they should. The numbers of children on child protection registers who are suffering neglect has increased by 70% recently, and those suffering emotional abuse have doubled. One in nine children run away every year as a means of expressing their unhappiness.*

About 9,000 children in Scotland have a learning disability, with numbers increasing slightly, especially of those with severe disability and their parents often have enormous difficulty in getting services which will provide assistance to their child and adequate support for themselves in coping with the additional pressure.

Our children are our future and we need to give them the best possible start in life if they are to grow up as strong and active citizens. There has been a great deal of focus recently about young people who are seen to be causing trouble, but the vast majority of young people are constructive members of the community. What we know about those who get into trouble in their teenage years is that they are overwhelmingly the same children who were seen as being in need of care and protection when they were still of primary school age, so we are clearly not meeting their needs.

You may wish to try the following:

- pray for children and young people locally, nationally and internationally
- befriend a child through Children 1st
- join a child mentoring scheme such as is run by Scripture Union in schools
- volunteer to help on Childline
- get involved in Messy Church
- welcome children into your church community
- encourage young SEC members to attend the Provincial Youth Network Summer Camps

- make room in the church for buggies and wheelchairs
- foster a child: contact the local authority social work department for your area. Aberlour Trust, Barnardo's and NCH also work with foster carers
- volunteer to work with children through a recognised charity: most children's charities are looking for volunteers
- consider becoming a member of the Children's Panel

### **Gracious God,**

We thank you for the energy and vitality of young people.

Young adulthood can be a difficult time of change and transition;  
leaving school, leaving home, finding a first job.

Help young people to know you as a constant presence  
through all changes, and the church

as a place of welcome and rest and refreshment.

Provide them with a deepening knowledge of your love

as they continue to mature and grow

and allow them to discover their own gifts and talents,  
discerning your future for them.

Help us to provide examples of Christian life for them to follow,  
and to offer friendship where it is wanted.

AMEN

## **Intercessions in the United Charges of St John's Johnstone & St Margaret's Renfrew**

This is the seasonal list of our weekly intercessions from the Worldwide Anglican cycle of prayer and the monthly Diocesan Cycle of prayer – and above is the Provincial monthly cycle of prayer FAITH in ACTION

### **In the Anglican Communion**

**Sunday 7 July 2024** *6th Sunday after Trinity*

**The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean**

**Monday 8 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Rio Grande – The Episcopal Church**

**Tuesday 9 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Guadalcanal – The Anglican Church of Melanesia**

**Wednesday 10 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Guatemala – Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America**

**Thursday 11 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Guildford – The Church of England**

**Friday 12 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Guinea – The Church of the Province of West Africa**

**Saturday 13 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Gujarat – The Church of North India (United)**

## **In the Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway**

### 7th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Bishop's Core Group.
- All Saints, Challoch; St Margaret of Scotland, New Galloway (Dawn Matthew, Kirsty Anderson).

### 8th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Church of Sweden.
- Diocesan Council.
- St Mary's, Gatehouse of Fleet; St Francis of Assisi (*Greyfriars*), Kirkcudbright (Vacant, Gill Hart, John Martin, Gordon Mursell).

### 9th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Argyll and the Isles (Vacant).

- St Ninian's, Castle Douglas (Christopher Ketley, Alan Rumble).
- Christ Church, Dalbeattie (Christopher Ketley, John Simmons, Helen Evans).

### 10th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Church of England.
- St John the Evangelist, Dumfries (Janice Aiton, James Clark-Maxwell, Andrew MacKenzie, Ann Shukman, Steven Ballard, Gordon Warwick, Richard Starkey).
- St Ninian's, Portpatrick; St John the Evangelist, Stranraer (Elizabeth Breakey).

### 11th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Diocesan Secretary (John Mitchell).
- East End Episcopal Churches: St John the Evangelist, Baillieston; St Serf's with St Kentigern's, Shettleston (Tess Lowe).

### 12th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland.
- Diocesan Treasurer (Robert Burgon); Diocesan Auditors (John R. Park, Jacqui McCarrell, Andrew Littlejohn).
- St James-the-Less, Bishopbriggs (Paul Watson, Kennedy Fraser).
- St Cyprian's, Lenzie (Vacant).

### 13th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Brechin (Bishop Andrew Swift).
- Companions of Our Lady & St Mungo (Ellen Barrett, Alison Joy Whybrow).
- Holy Name, Cumbernauld (Kirstin Freeman, Ray Gascoigne).
- St Matthew's, Possilpark (David Wostenholm, Stuart Wood).

## In the SEI

7. **Camayo Hyde**, Diocese of Edinburgh, Lay Reader candidate
8. **Karen Kiefer**, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, ordinand
9. **Tosh Lynch**, Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway, ordinand
10. **Anne Macdonald**, Diocese of Argyll and the Isles, ordinand
11. **Eilidh Proudfoot**, Diocese of Edinburgh, New College stipendiary ordinand
12. **Helen Randall**, Diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney, ordinand
13. **Ross Stirling-Young**, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, Mixed Mode stipendiary ordinand

The SEC is dedicated to becoming a welcoming, open and inclusive spiritual environment for all people- irrespective of gender, sexual and sexuality identities. We seek to offer a place for you to connect with the true self that we believe God has made you. If you feel different – welcome! We are different because we believe that as we walk with Jesus Christ together our lives are transformed and find fresh meaning and purpose, sharing in the gift of life as we know it now.



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