



# Weekly Intercessions



in the Scottish Episcopal Church  
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone  
Weeks beginning Sunday 14 July 2024

## Pentecost 8

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.

**Zoom morning prayer has now come  
to an end for the time being.**

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

**The Church of Ireland**

**Monday 15 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Central Gulf Coast – The Episcopal Church**

**Tuesday 16 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Gusau – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

**Wednesday 17 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Guyana – The Church in the Province of the West Indies**

**Thursday 18 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Gwagwalada – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

**Friday 19 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Haiti – The Episcopal Church**

**Saturday 20 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Hanuato'o – The Anglican Church of Melanesia**

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

### 14th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Church of Ireland.
- Diocesan Chancellor (Bruce Erroch); Diocesan Registrar (Ronald Inglis).
- St Bride's, Glasgow (Peter Bradley).
- St Andrew's, Milngavie (Andrea Hagenbuch, Fraser Gold).

### 15th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Lay Readers' Warden (Ray Gascoigne).
- Cathedral Chapter.
- Cathedral Church of St Mary, Glasgow (Kelvin Holdsworth, Oliver Brewer-Lennon, John Riches, Ellen Barrett, Maggie McTernan).

### 16th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.

- Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland.
- Diocesan Makar (Kirstin Freeman).
- St Augustine's, Dumbarton (Heller Gonzalez).

### 17th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Edinburgh (Bishop John Armes).
- Diocesan Architect (Rebecca Cadie); Diocesan Surveyor (Elliott Glenesk).
- All Saints, Bearsden; (David Guest).
- St Michael & All Angels, Helensburgh (Dominic Ind).

### 18th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Church in Wales.
- Diocesan Environmental Group (Stuart Bain, Ian Arbon, Rebecca Cadie, Danny Craig, Fiona Crawford, Petko Marinov, Alsion Mathew, Audrey O'Brien Stewart)
- All Saints, Jordanhill (Sydney Maitland).

### 19th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Diocesan Property Committee (Reuben Preston).
- St Aidan's, Clarkston (Nicholas Taylor).
- St Margaret of Scotland, Newlands (Gordon Fyfe, David Jasper, Charlotte Methuen, Mary Bowden).

### 20th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Lusitanian Church of Portugal.
- Diocesan Centre Staff (Christine Hughes, Iolanthe Stack, Janet Chalmers, Kim Schmulian).
- St Oswald's, King's Park (Alison Mathew).

- St Ninian's, Pollokshields (Verity Brown, Kenneth Roach, Eamonn Rodgers).

## **In the SEI**

**14. Laura Symon**, Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness, stipendiary ordinand

**15. Stuart Thomson**, Diocese of St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, ordinand

**16. Margaret Williams**, Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway, ordinand

**17. Lana Woolford**, Diocese of Edinburgh, ordinand

**18. Revd Canon Graham Taylor**, Chaplain to SEI

**19. Revd Ian Barcroft**, Provincial Director of Ordinands

**20. Diocesan Advisors**

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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