



# Weekly Intercessions



in the Scottish Episcopal Church  
in the Charges of St Margaret, Renfrew & St John, Johnstone  
Weeks beginning Sunday 21 July 2024

## Pentecost 9

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 21 July 2024** *8th Sunday after Trinity*

**The Nippon Sei Ko Kai**

**Monday 22 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Harare – The Church of the Province of Central Africa**

**Tuesday 23 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Hawaii – The Episcopal Church**

**Wednesday 24 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Hereford – The Church of England**

**Thursday 25 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Southern Highlands – The Anglican Church of Tanzania**

**Friday 26 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Highveld – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa**

**Saturday 27 July 2024**

**The Diocese of Eastern Himalayas –**

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

### [21st Day of Each Month](#)

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: Moray, Ross and Caithness (Bishop Mark Strange).
- Good Shepherd & Ascension, Hillington; Holy Trinity & St Barnabas, Paisley (Deborah Davison).

### [22nd Day of Each Month](#)

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Spanish Episcopal Reformed Church.
- Pastoral Supervisors in the Diocese (Liz Crumlish, Lisa Curtice, Keith Thomasson, Martyn Trembath)
- St John's, Johnstone; St Margaret's, Renfrew (Reuben Preston, Robert Chambers).

### [23rd Day of Each Month](#)

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

- Diocesan Protection of Vulnerable Groups Co-ordinator (Anne Jones).
- St John the Evangelist, Greenock (Wilhelmina Nesbitt).

### 24th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Denmark.
- Heartland Group: St Mary's, Bridge of Weir; St Fillan's, Kilmacolm; St Mary the Virgin, Port Glasgow (Vacant).

### 25th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Scottish Episcopal Church: St Andrew's, Dunkeld and Dunblane (Bishop Ian Paton).
- Canon Missioner (Audrey O'Brien Stewart); Digital Engagement Officer (Petko Marinov).
- Holy Trinity, Motherwell; St Andrew's, Wishaw (Vacant).

### 26th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad.
- Mothers' Union.
- St Cuthbert's, Cambuslang; St Mark's, East Kilbride (Vacant).

### 27th Day of Each Month

- Bishop Kevin Pearson, Bishop of the United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway.
- Porvoo Link: The Lutheran Church in Great Britain.
- St Mary the Virgin, Hamilton; St Andrew's, Uddingston (Matthew Little).
- Episcopalians in isolated parts of the country.

## In the SEI

### 21. Mixed Mode Training Supervisors

**22. Placement Supervisors**

**23. Associate Tutors**

**24. Bishop Andrew, Acting Convenor of Institute Council**

**25. Institute Council members**

**26. Members of the Management Committee**

**27. Dr Alistair Mason, Chair of the Board of Examiners**

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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