

Calendar of Prayer - May 2021

1 **Sa PHILIP & JAMES APOSTLES** County Street
Station Road

Almighty Father, whom truly to know is eternal life: teach us to know your Son Jesus Christ as the way, the truth, and the life; that we may follow the steps of your holy apostles Philip and James, and walk steadfastly in the way the leads to your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

3 **M feria -** Long Marsh Lane
Hill Side

4 **Tu English Saints and Martyrs of the** Hasgill Court
Reformation Era. Mallard Court

Merciful God, who, when your Church on earth was torn apart by the ravages of sin, raised up men and women in this land who witnessed to their faith with courage and constancy: give to your Church that peace which is your will, and grant that those who have been divided on earth may be reconciled in heaven, and share together in the vision of your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

5 **W feria - Doctors** Castle Park
Castle Park Mews

6 **Th feria - Surgeons** Castle Hill
St Mary's Gate

7 **F feria - Nurses** St Mary's Parade
Priory Close

8 **Sa Julian of Norwich, Spiritual writer,** Vicarage Lane
c. 1417 Vicarage Terrace

Most holy God, the ground of our beseeching, who through your servant Julian revealed the wonders of your love: grant that as we are created in your nature and restored by your grace, our wills may be so made one with yours that we may come to see you face to face and gaze on you for ever; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

9 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

- 10 M *feria* - Bank employees Bridge Lane
Church Street
- 11 Tu *feria* - Hairdressers China Street
Kings Arms Close
- 12 W Gregory Dix, Priest, Monk, Scholar, Penny's Almshouses
1952 King Street
- 13 Th **ASCENSION DAY** Sir Simon's Arcade
Bashful Alley

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

- 14 F **MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE** Market Street
Market Gate

Almighty God, who in the place of the traitor Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve: preserve your Church from false apostles and, by the ministry of faithful pastors and teachers, keep us steadfast in your truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

- 15 Sa *feria* - International Day of Families Slip Inn Lane
Sun Street

16 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Sunday After Ascension Day)

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

- 17 M *feria* - Local independent shops New Street
New Road

18 Tu *feria* - Supermarket workers Calkeld Lane
Damside Street

19 W Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Wood Street
Restorer of Monastic life, 988 Butterfield Street

Almighty God, who raised up Dunstan to be a true shepherd of the flock, a restorer of monastic life and a faithful counsellor to those in authority: give to all pastors the same gifts of your Holy Spirit that they may be true servants of Christ and of all his people, through Jesus Christ our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

20 Th Alcuin of York, Deacon, Abbot of Tours, North Road
804 Cheapside

God of wisdom, eternal light, who shone in the heart of your servant Alcuin, revealing to him your power and pity: scatter the darkness of our ignorance that, with all our heart and mind and strength, we may seek your face and be brought with all your saints to your holy presence; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

21 F St Helena, Protector of the Holy Places, Dye House Lane
330. Chapel Street

22 Sa *feria* - Local cafes Penny Street
St Nicholas Arcades

23 DAY OF PENTECOST (Whit Sunday)

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

24 M John & Charles Wesley, Evangelists, James Street
Hymn Writers, 1791 & 1788 Mary Street

God of mercy, who inspired John and Charles Wesley with zeal for your gospel: grant to all people boldness to proclaim your word and a heart ever to rejoice in singing your praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

25 Tu The Venerable Bede, Monk at Jarrow, Gage Street
Scholar, Historian, 735 Dalton Square

God our Maker, whose Son Jesus Christ gave to your servant Bede grace to drink in with joy the Word that leads us to know you and to love you: in your goodness grant that we also may come at length to you, the source of all wisdom, and stand before your face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

26 W Augustine, first Archbishop of Great John Street
Canterbury, 605 Stone Well

Almighty God, whose servant Augustine was sent as the apostle of the English people: grant that as he laboured in the Spirit to preach Christ's gospel in this land so all who hear the good news may strive to make your truth known in the all the world; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

27 Th *feria* - Local take-away businesses Rosemary Lane
Nile Street

28 F Lanfranc, Prior of Le Bec, Archbishop of Pitt Street
Canterbury, Scholar, 1089 St Leonard Gate

29 Sa *feria* - Sheltered housing St Leonard Court
Lodge Street

30 TRINITY SUNDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

31 M **THE VISIT OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH** Brewery Lane
Phoenix Street

Almighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favour on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.