



Calendar of Prayer December 2022

Our calendar of prayer includes roads in our parish to pray for.
Please pray for the homes, shops and businesses in each street.

1	Th	<i>World Aids Day</i> Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916	Allandale Gardens Ashbrook Street
2	F	<i>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</i>	Salisbury Road Stanley Place
3	Sa	<i>UN International Day of persons with disabilities</i> Francis Xavier, Apostle of the Indies, 1552	Beech Street Meadow Street

4 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

5	M	<i>feria</i> - Shop assistants during especially busy times	Chestnut Grove Sycamore Grove
6	Tu	Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 326	Maple Grove Holly Walk

Almighty Father, lover of souls, who chose your servant Nicholas to be a bishop in the Church, that he might give freely out of the treasures of your grace: make us mindful of the needs of others and, as we have received, so teach us also to give; 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.

7	W	Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397	Laburnum Grove Alder Grove
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God of hosts, who called Ambrose from the governor's throne to be a bishop in your Church and an intrepid champion of your faithful people: mercifully grant that, as he did not fear to rebuke rulers, so we, with like courage, may contend for the faith we have received; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

- 8 Th The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Alder Court Cedar Road

Almighty and everlasting God, who stooped to raise fallen humanity through the child-bearing of blessed Mary: grant that we, who have seen your glory revealed in our human nature and your love made perfect in our weakness, may daily be renewed in your image and conformed to the pattern of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 9 F *Ember Day* Rowan Place
Ordinands Birch Grove

- 10 Sa *United Nations Human Rights Day* Larch Grove
Ember Day Hazel Grove

11 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

- 12 M *feria -* Lime Grove
Police Community Support Officers St George's Quay

- 13 Tu Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304 Lune Square
River Street

God our redeemer, who gave light to the world that was in darkness by the healing power of the Saviour's cross: shed that light on us, we pray, that with your martyr Lucy we may, by the purity of our lives, reflect the light of Christ and, by the merits of his passion, come to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

- 14 W John of the Cross, Poet, teacher d. 1591 Reynolds Street
Elm Street

O God, the judge of all, who gave your servant John of the Cross a warmth of nature, a strength of purpose and a mystical faith that sustained him even in the darkness: shed your light on all who love you and grant them union of body and soul in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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| 15 | Th | <i>feria -</i>
Homeless people | Duke Street
Pine Street |
| 16 | F | <i>feria -</i>
The Olive Branch | Cowdrey Mews
Atherton Road |
| 17 | Sa | <i>O Sapientia</i> God of wisdom, help us to be wise in the decisions we make day-by-day. | Warne Place
Hadlee Terrace |

18 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

O Adonai - We acknowledge you to be the Lord.

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| 19 | M | <i>O Radix Jesse</i> Root of Jesse, the same yesterday, today and forever. | Lloyd Close
Richards Walk |
| 20 | Tu | <i>O Clavis David</i> Key of David, you open and none can shut; you shut and none can open. | Border Court
Hutton Way |
| 21 | W | <i>O Oriens</i> Dayspring, shed your light on those in darkness. | Lune Road
Charnley Street |
| 22 | Th | <i>O Rex Gentium</i> King of the Nations, may your kingship be acknowledged by all. | Furness Street
Briery Street |
| 23 | F | <i>O Emmanuel</i> We thank you that you are God With Us. | Ford Street
Marsh Street |

24 Sa CHRISTMAS EVE

Almighty God, you make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**26 M STEPHEN, DEACON,
FIRST MARTYR**

Hubert Place
West Road

Gracious Father, who gave the first martyr Stephen grace to pray for those who took up stones against him: grant that in all our sufferings for the truth we may learn to love even our enemies and to seek forgiveness for those who desire our hurt, looking up to heaven to him who was crucified for us, Jesus Christ, our mediator and advocate.

27 Tu JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

Storey Avenue
Ley Court

Merciful Lord, cast your bright beams of light upon the Church: that, being enlightened by the teaching of your blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John, we may so walk in the light of your truth that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord.

28 W THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Haig Avenue
Peel Crescent

Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong: by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace; 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.

**29 Th Thomas Becket, Archbishop of
Canterbury, Martyr, 1170**

Porrit Avenue
Castle Court

Lord God, who gave grace to your servant Thomas Becket to put aside all earthly fear and be faithful even to death: grant that we, disregarding worldly esteem, may fight all wrong, uphold your rule, and serve you to our life's end; 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.

**30 F feria -
Families in need**

Fairfield Road
Fairfield Close

31 Sa John Wyclif, Reformer, 1384

St Luke's Court
Kellet Court

