



# Thameshead Benefice

## Prayer Diary

July 2026

**Bringing the light and joy of Christ into our communities;  
that all may flourish**

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Wednesday 1	Gracious God, As we step into the month of July, we thank You for Your endless grace. Let Your peace settle deep within us and Your wisdom steady every step we take. Grant us the strength to release the burdens we no longer need to carry—our past worries, our anxieties, our hidden fears. Bless our families, our health, and the work of our hands. Open our eyes to the quiet blessings woven through each day. Grow in us a deeper faith, a patient spirit, and a love that reflects Your own. Lead us through this month with hope, courage, and joy
Thursday 2	Lord God, we pray for the Kingdom growth of love, joy and peace. Bless our efforts and actions through your Holy Spirit.
Friday 3	Loving Lord, we lift before you today the villages of Frampton Mansell and Sapperton. Pour out your blessing upon every person and every household. May each one be filled with your peace, and may they experience the fullness of life that comes from you. Where there is goodness, abundance, and joy, nurture in them a spirit of gratitude and delight. Where there is pain, uncertainty, or challenge, may your presence be deeply known— a quiet strength, a steady comfort, a reminder that you walk with them in all things. Hold this community in your love, and let your light rest gently upon Frampton Mansell and Sapperton today and in the days to come.
Saturday 4	We give thanks for all who work in the NHS and the emergency services. Grant them strength and resilience in their work.
Sunday 5	Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday 6	Loving Lord, we lift before you today the village of Coates. Pour out your blessing upon every person and every household. May each one be filled with your peace, and may they experience the fullness of life that comes from you. Where there is goodness, abundance, and joy, nurture in them a spirit of gratitude and delight. Where there is pain, uncertainty, or challenge, may your presence be deeply known— a quiet strength, a steady comfort, a reminder that you walk with them in all things. Hold this community in your love, and let your light rest gently upon Coates today and in the days to come.
Tuesday 7	Gracious God, bless all churchwardens, treasurers, secretaries, safeguarding officers, and PCC members. Strengthen them as they carry out practical burdens that make ministry possible. Grant them wisdom in their decisions, clarity in their conversations, and unity in their shared purpose. Bless their partnership with the ministry team, that together they may joyfully carry out your mission. Renew their energy, protect their wellbeing, and surround them with your peace. May their service bear fruit that brings hope, healing, and blessing to the whole community.
Wednesday 8	Lord, thank you for the fellowship of our community coffee mornings. Bless the conversations, the laughter, and the connections. May we feel your presence among us and our bonds be strengthened as we are reminded of your love.
Thursday 9	Let us pray for an end to the waste and desecration of God's creation; for access to the fruits of creation to be shared equally among all people and for communities and nations to find sustenance in the fruits of the earth and water God has given us.
Friday 10	Loving Lord, we lift before you today the village of Poole Keynes. Pour out your blessing upon every person

	and every household. May each one be filled with your peace, and may they experience the fullness of life that comes from you. Where there is goodness, abundance, and joy, nurture in them a spirit of gratitude and delight. Where there is pain, uncertainty, or challenge, may your presence be deeply known— a quiet strength, a steady comfort, a reminder that you walk with them in all things. Hold this community in your love, and let your light rest gently upon Poole Keynes today and in the days to come.
Saturday 11	Heavenly Father, thank you for our church volunteers and their willingness to serve you.. Bless and strengthen them in their service and fill them with your joy and peace. May their work be a reflection of your love and grace.
Sunday 12	Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Monday 13	God of hope and transformation, who in our Lord Jesus Christ offers the gift of life in all its fullness, send your Holy Spirit and grant us joy in our following and vision in our leadership. May we be rich in imagination, confident in faith, and courageous in our engagement with the people and places of this diocese. As we share your life with the world, keep us rooted and grounded in love as we bear witness to your glory and pray for your Kingdom to come.
Tuesday 14	Lord, we lift before you every home group, Bible study group, prayer gathering, and the TLC community. Knit them together in genuine fellowship. Let trust deepen, friendships strengthen, and support flow freely among them. Grow them in love, unity, and purpose, so they become a blessing to one another and to the wider church

<p>Wednesday 15</p>	<p>God of compassion and grace, look down upon those who are fearful or unable to leave their homes or who are struck by sickness and ill health. Be with them, their families, carers and friends. Grant them peace and comfort that they are not alone, and that the hearts of their community hold them close.</p>
<p>Thursday 16</p>	<p>Bless our Ministry Team (Pepita, Steve, Karen, Liz) , our worship leaders and all those who lead worship in our churches. Fill them with fresh inspiration as they preach, teach, and lead. Let your Spirit stir their hearts so that their words carry life, hope, and truth.</p>
<p>Friday 17</p>	<p>Lord God, thank you for the dedication and hard work of all teachers, teaching assistants, and school staff over this past year. We lift them up to you as they begin their well-earned summer break. We pray for the children and their families and especially for those changing schools and for those who find holiday times difficult.</p>
<p>Saturday 18</p>	<p>We pray for all who work the land: for favourable weather, healthy crops, and strength for the seasons ahead and we give thanks for the food we receive as we remember those facing hunger or food poverty. We pray for our local food banks and for volunteers who serve with compassion. Inspire your Church to work for justice, challenging systems that leave people in need and building a future where all have enough.</p>
<p>Sunday 19</p>	<p>Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.</p>
<p>Monday 20</p>	<p>Loving Lord, we lift before you today the villages of Rodmarton and Tarlton. Pour out your blessing upon every person and every household. May each one be filled with your peace, and may they experience the fullness of life that comes from you. Where there is</p>

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Tuesday 21	<p>We pray for peace in the world, an end to conflicts, and places where people can live in peace with their neighbour. We pray for all those living in war torn countries and unable to escape. Lord, help them find a safe place to go, and we give thanks for all those trying to help and bring hope</p>
Wednesday 22	<p>Gracious God, every good thing comes from you. Teach us to give with generosity and joy, trusting that you are the one who multiplies every seed we sow. May these offerings become a blessing to those in need, a source of hope to the weary, and a testimony of your goodness</p>
Thursday 23	<p>We pray for our children and young people and their families; that they may feel a sense of family and belonging through the groups they attend. We pray for the work of Sportily and the youth club, for Cadie and Little Fishes and Source Seekers, for Juliette and Liz and Wild and Messy Church and the Open the Book team. Lord, bless and guide the leaders and inspire more people to step forward and teach the next generation how to lead and love others in Your name. Strengthen and equip them to show Your love to the precious children in their communities.</p>
Friday 24	<p>Merciful God, We ask that you give our leaders the wisdom to guide our nation and the world. Help us to protect the poor and all those who are struggling during this difficult time. Provide for their needs and give them hope. Open new opportunities for them and</p>

	furnish the resources they need to live with dignity. Encourage those who have enough to share essential resources with those who lack the necessities of life, and to do so with humble, grateful and loving hearts.
Saturday 25	Loving Lord, we lift before you today the village of Kemble. Pour out your blessing upon every person and every household. May each one be filled with your peace, and may they experience the fullness of life that comes from you. Where there is goodness, abundance, and joy, nurture in them a spirit of gratitude and delight. Where there is pain, uncertainty, or challenge, may your presence be deeply known— a quiet strength, a steady comfort, a reminder that you walk with them in all things. Hold this community in your love, and let your light rest gently upon Kemble today and in the days to come.
Sunday 26	Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Monday 27	Lord Jesus, You came to bring good news to the poor and freedom to those in need. We pray for The Grace Network, and all organisations who serve others. Lift those who feel burdened. Bring hope where life feels hard.
Tuesday 28	Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for all those who have given us encouragement over the years. For parents, guardians, godparents and teachers who have enabled us to grow in faith. Show us who we can share our faith with today.
Wednesday 29	Loving Lord, we lift before you today the villages of Somerford Keynes and Shorncote. Pour out your blessing upon every person and every household. May

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Thursday 30	<p>Father God, We pray for The Thameshead Benefice; that we may be truly united as we come together, whatever our background or culture, to worship you sharing our common belief and trust in You. We pray for peace, respect and unity as we seek to see Christ in each other, inspiring and encouraging each individual to express their love for You. May our churches be places of peace and safety, joy and love and full of your glory. Help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers and visitors. Fill us with vision and joy and keep us faithful in prayer, word and worship and help us to know and share how much each of us are loved by You. May we see your kingdom come here in the Thameshead Benefice, to the glory of your name.</p>
Friday 31	<p>Loving Lord, during this holiday season, thank You for opportunities to step away from our daily routines and responsibilities. Grant our minds and bodies rejuvenating rest. Help us to let go of workaday stresses, so we can recharge, enjoy the simple pleasures of life, and return refreshed.</p>

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