

St Gabriel's Parish Prayer List

Autumn 2011

A continuing focus on the community in this season, I have included each day one or two of the roads in our community to particularly pray for. Pray the love of Christ will reach into each heart and home and that they may feel drawn to the love of God in Christ. Arthur.

- 1st For our Bishops and Archdeacons:**
Vacancy in See (Winchester), Peter (Basingstoke) Jonathan (Southampton), Archdeacons: (South Vacant) Michael (North).
For our Area Dean Arthur Botham.
Special Focus: Abbey Road and Glastonbury Close.
- 2nd For our Team Churches and their ministry.** Team Rector, Jo Stoker (St Michael's), Rosalind Rutherford (All Saints), Sally Heather (Christ the King), Mary Phillips (St Peter's), Pray for Christ the King as they enter a period of interregnum.
Special Focus: Buckfast Close and Romsey Close.
- 3rd For those anxious or uncertain of the future** due to the recession. Especially those facing redundancy and loss of income. *Special Focus: Melrose Walk and Tintern Close.*
- 4th For St Gabriel's** for Arthur and Marilyn as they minister among us. For Shelagh Kavanagh our Reader (licensed 1st Oct), For Nicky Gleeson our Youth and Community Worker and for Ian Coster our visiting Reader.
Special Focus: Fountains Close and Selby Walk.
- 5th For our DCC and for our Churchwarden Mary Herbert**
Special Focus: Tewkesbury Close and Pershore Road.
- 6th For our weekly meetings and those who attend:** for our Homegroups. *Special Focus: Popley Way, Shakespeare Road*

- 7th** For our worship on Sundays: to be always welcoming and open to all. For those who prepare and lead. For Jonathan and Rebecca our worship leaders.
Special Focus: Lawrence and Chaucer Close.
- 8th** For our fellowship in the community for Abbey Court and Magnolia Court. *Special Focus: Dryden and Browning Close.*
- 9th** For our fellowship in Christ with the other churches that meet on Popley: Phil Keeble (Melrose CF); Graham Owen (NT Church of God) for St Bede's, Fr. Dominic Golding, for families and congregations, for their daily witness. For the Alliance of Basingstoke Churches (ABC) and the Basingstoke Network of Churches: *Special Focus: Wordsworth and Marlowe Close.*
- 10th** **Marnell Infant and Junior** Head teachers Bernadette Cole, and Alison Baron and for their team of staff and the children.
Special Focus: Burns and Shelley Close.
- 11th** **Merton Infant and Junior:** Head teachers Larissa James and Helen Palmer; for their team of staff and for the children.
Special Focus: Chineham Lane and Hathaway Gardens
- 12th** For Everest Community Academy: Julie Rose, Head teacher, for her team of staff and the students. *Special Focus: Byron Close and Chineham Park Court.*
- 13th** For St Bede's Primary: Tony Murray, Head teacher, for his team of staff and the students.
Special Focus: Carpenters Down and Shetland Road
- 14th** For the Mothers' Union: For their work with families in the UK and worldwide and for setting up a new branch in St Gabriel's *Special Focus: Milton and Keats Close*
- 15th** For our Community policemen and Community Wardens
Special Focus: Cayman and Lundy Close.
- 16th** For our community leaders and councillors.

Jane Frankum, Shelley Phelps & Paul Frankum. For Maria Miller our MP: *Special Focus: Faroe Close and Maldive Road.*

- 17th **For Doctors and Nurses at the Health centres in Shakespeare House.** For Parklands, St Michael's Hospice and The North Hampshire Hospital and all those who care for the sick.
Special Focus: Orkney and Pitcairn Close.
- 18th **For those who clean the church and our flower arrangers** who work to keep St Gabriel's looking so spruce every week.
Special Focus: Ascension and Madeira Close.
- 19th **For groups that use the church hall:** Zingtastic, Golden Club and Kumon. *Special Focus: Falkland Road, Anglesey Close, Montserrat Road and Place.*
- 20th **For those on coffee rota each week** and who provide much welcome refreshment after services.
Special Focus: Bermuda and Dominica Close.
- 21st **For our sidespeople,** communion assistants, servers, intercessors and readers. *Special Focus: Tasmania Close, Malta Close, Jersey and Guernsey Close, Timor Close.*
- 22nd **Children's Church:** for leaders and team. Pray for more leaders to come forward to help. *Special Focus: John Hunt Drive, Tenzing Gardens, Edmund Court*
- 23rd **Finance:**
For Marion our Treasurer and who has special responsibility for our finances, for Jonathan as he prepares to take over. For an increase in giving as we strive to meet our commitments.
Special Focus: Irvine Crescent, Messner St., Mallory Road
- 24th **Christian teachers in schools on Popley:**
Special Focus: Hargreaves Ct., Wylie Gdns, Lowe Gdns.
- 25th **For the Housebound, Sick and Bereaved** in our parish and those visiting them. *Special Focus: Trinidad and Tobago Close.*

- 26th** **For all those who worship with us.** We pray for them in their weekday place of work. For consistent Christian witness.
Special Focus: Limes Park and Rooksdown estates.
- 27th** **For Mission and Outreach:** As we seek as a church to reach to our community and beyond. for vision and inspiration.
Special Focus: New housing developments and residents of Merton Rise, Marnel Park.
- 28th** **For the uniformed organisations:** Boys Brigade, Scouts, Cubs, Beavers and Cubs, For the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides. For the Air Cadets and RAFA for leaders and helpers.
- 29th** **Occasional Offices:** For those coming for baptism or marriage that we touch them with love of God. Especially those coming to Baptism Preparation.
- 30th** **Buildings & Grounds:** For Jeremy Jackman and the blessing of our buildings and grounds and their upkeep.
- 31st** **Community Events:** For the Christmas Fair in December; and all other events we'll be involved in. That we may witness to Christ through them.

A Prayer for daily use

*Heavenly Father, we come to you in the greatness of your love
and lift our hearts in prayer and praise.*

*We thank you that the way to your presence is always open
through Jesus Christ and that you invite us to draw near
in full assurance of faith.*

*Help us to pray simply and sincerely, unselfishly and gratefully,
remembering the needs of others as well as our own,
and giving thanks always for all things in the name of
Christ our Lord. AMEN.*