

St. Michael and All Angels, Colehill
MONTHLY PRAYER DIARY FOR JUNE 2025

Sunday 1st – Saturday 7th

- Sun.1st** On this **Global Day of Parents**, we pray for parents and parental figures in our families and communities. We particularly pray for new parents, that you would sustain them in the highs and lows, may they reflect your love: 'See what great love the Father has lavished upon us, that we should be called children of God!' (1 John 3:1)
- Mon.2nd** During **Volunteers Week**, we thank God for all the volunteers in our churches across Dorset. We thank you for the time, generosity and talents they share with others to bless them. We pray that we would all be inspired to serve others: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10)
- Tue.3rd** Lord God, we pray for **all who contribute to our common life together at St. Michael's**. We give special thanks for Suzanne our Vicar, Martin our Assistant Priest and our Ministry Team, Hilary G, Graham, John and Jenny, and for the varied and imaginative liturgy we enjoy in our worship each Sunday.
- Wed.4th** Today is the **International Day of Innocent Children who are Victims of Aggression**. We pray for, children living in wars across the globe who are facing unspeakable horrors and trauma every day. We remember the children of Gaza, Ukraine and other areas of conflict.
- Thu.5th** On this day, we remember **St. Boniface**, who was born in Crediton and is the Patron Saint of Devon. He brought the good news to Germany and later gave his life for the gospel. God our Redeemer, grant that we may preserve in our hearts that faith which he taught with his words and sealed with his blood.
- Fri.6th** **Pray for Suzanne, Alan and Sandra who are leading our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for Jo, our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit, guide and inspire them, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Sat.7th** Father, we give thanks for our **Lay Pastoral Assistants**, Barbara, Liz and Richard in their ministry of care.

Sunday 8th – Saturday 14th

- Sun.8th** At **Pentecost**, we remember the arrival of the Holy Spirit. Thank you, Lord, that you sent us a helper to be with us forever, who dwells with us and in us (John 14:15-17). Holy Spirit, please remind us of this and continue to guide and empower us, help us keep in step with you and bear fruit in our lives

- Mon.9th** This week is **Carers Week**. We give thanks for carers who care and support others, in either paid or voluntary roles. We pray for energy for them and that they would know the impact of their love and kindness towards those they care for.
- Tue.10th** Lord, we ask for your blessing on our **Church School, St. Michael's Middle**, for Darren Ayling, its Headteacher, children, staff and Academy Committee.
- Wed.11th** On this **Feast Day of Barnabas the Apostle**, 'the son of encouragement', we reflect on his journeys with Paul as they shared the Gospel with the Gentiles, facing many trials. We pray for the same boldness in our own witness, help us to trust in you, Holy Spirit.
- Thu.12th** **Pray for Suzanne, David and Alan who are leading our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for Jo, our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit, guide and inspire them, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.13th** We pray for **Cherubs**, our mums and carers toddlers' group and for all who contribute to its management and activity.
- Sat.14th** **God of all peace**, speak your peace to our restless souls, bring your peace to our troubled lives and, establish your peace in our broken world. We bring before you especially the dire situations in Gaza, Lebanon, Ukraine, Sudan and South Sudan.

Sunday 15th – Saturday 21st

- Sun.15th** On **Father's Day**, we give thanks for fathers and the father figures in our lives. We pray for those who find this day difficult due to loss, estrangement, or past pain. We give thanks that we can draw near to our Father in Heaven, whose love is steadfast and endures forever.
- Mon.16th** This week is **Children's Hospice Week**. We pray for children in hospice and palliative care across the UK. We give thanks for these services, providing vital support for seriously ill children and young people. We pray for your healing hand Lord, and that these children and their families would know the hope found in you.
- Tue.17th** Loving Father, we uphold before you all our **local Medical Practices**. Bless doctors, nurses, receptionists and other ancillary staff as they continue your healing work on earth.

- Wed.18th** On this **Autistic Pride Day**, we celebrate the differences and honour the unique perspectives, abilities, and voices of autistic individuals who have for too long been misunderstood and marginalized by society. We pray for all autistic people, especially children, particularly any who are known to us.
- Thu.19th** **Pray for Suzanne, Alan Fryer, Eric and Liz who are leading our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for Jo, our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit, guide and inspire them, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.20th** On this **World Refugee Day**, we pray for all those fleeing from conflict, oppression, and injustice. We lament the lives of refugees that have been lost, and we give thanks for organisations and individuals supporting those without a place to rest their head.
- Sat.21st** Today is **World Music Day**, we celebrate the universal power of music to unite people, promote peace, and inspire creativity. We give thanks for all at St. Michael's who enrich our worship through music – our choir and Jo, our choir leader, and those who so faithfully play the organ for us each Sunday.

Sunday 22nd – Monday 30th

- Sun.22nd** We pray for the **Diocese of Yambio in South Sudan** and for its Bishop, Samuel Peni, and for those in our link deanery Karika. Twelve years on from independence, South Sudan faces a growing humanitarian crisis with the country's civil war and conflict in neighbouring Sudan. Lord, bring lasting peace in this troubled area and your Spirit's guidance on those who can influence peace. Thank you for the witness of Christians in South Sudan who, in spite of the troubles, show such joy, love and passion and huge faith in you.
- Mon.23rd** Lord God, we uphold before you all those who are **sick and infirm, the sad, lonely and those who are housebound**, especially those who are mentioned on our Weekly Prayer List. May they experience your presence, and so find strength and grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Tue.24th** As we remember the **birth of John the Baptist**, who was foretold to "make ready a people prepared for the Lord" (Luke 1:17) we give thanks for John the Baptist's ministry, which ultimately cost him his life. May we be inspired by his faith.
- Wed.25th** Pray for someone or something that may be on your mind at this present time.

- Thu.26th** **Pray for our Ministry Team who are leading Café Church on Sunday.** Guide and inspire them, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.27th** Lord Jesus, we remember **our local community**, remembering with gratitude all who serve on Colehill Parish Council, and those who work in Colehill and provide a service for its inhabitants and further afield.
- Sat.28th** We pray for the work of our **Diocese of Salisbury**, remembering especially our Bishops Stephen, Karen and Andrew. Lord, bless them in their ministry. Guide them in their teaching and in the decisions they have to make. Come Holy Spirit, grant unto them energy and vision in the responsibilities they undertake.
- Sun.29th** Today, the **Feast Day of Peter and Paul**, we remember your apostles, whom you appointed as leaders of your church, who preached that you are Lord and Saviour, and who gave their lives for your gospel. May we be inspired by their devotion and listen carefully to your word spoken through them.
- We remember also, those being **ordained as Deacons today at Salisbury Cathedral**. We give thanks for their commitment to your church. As you send them out Lord, we pray they would be led by the Holy Spirit and fix their eyes on you as they serve the people of Dorset and Wiltshire with joy.
- Mon.30th** **Colehill First School and Hayeswood First School** – Executive Headteacher Sharon Staddon, children, staff, Academy Committee & Trustees.