

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

Wednesday 1st – Saturday 4th

- Wed.1st** During **Black History Month**, we give thanks for the resilience, strength, and unwavering commitment to progress that defines Black communities across the globe and which also brings diversity to the church.
- Thur.2nd** **Pray for Martin 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.
- Fri.3rd** God of compassion, bless our endeavours to help **those whose lives have met with adversity.** Enable us to fulfil our mission as we express our faith in action.
- Sat.4th** On the **Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi**, we pray his words: ***'Most High, Glorious God, enlighten the darkness of our minds. Give us a right faith, a firm hope and a perfect charity, so that we may always and in all things act according to Your Holy Will.'***

Sunday 5th – Saturday 11th

- Sun.5th** As today we celebrate **Harvest**, we thank you Father for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health our food.
- Mon.6th** During **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, we pray for all those living with breast cancer, their families and friends, and for all those who have lost loved ones to breast cancer. We give thanks for organisations working to prevent and treat breast cancer. We pray for those who are currently fighting this disease.
- Tue.7th** Heavenly Father, we lift up **the persecuted church** to you. Grant them strength, courage and unwavering faith. Surround them with your protection and love and bless their steadfast witness in the midst of unimaginable pain and suffering.
- Wed.8th** Lord, we pray for our **PCC** and ask that each member may exercise their responsibilities wisely and prayerfully so that decisions they make may be in accordance with your will for the extension of Christ's kingdom in at St. Michael's.

Thur.9th **Pray for Suzanne, Lorraine and Garth 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.10th On **World Mental Health Day**, we pray for all those struggling with their mental health, help us to support, encourage and pray for one another when we become overwhelmed. Lord, thank you that you call all people to come to you and receive your peace, and that you are 'a very present help in times of trouble.' (Psalm 46:1)

Sat.11th Pray for **someone or something** that may be on your mind at the present time.

Sunday 12th – Saturday18th

Sun.12th Blessed Redeemer, **as we gather in church for worship this morning**, bless us with renewal and vitality. Refresh our spirits and grant us youthful energy to embrace your mission with passion and joy. May we grow in faith and strength reflecting your grace to all.

Mon.13th 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 our Ministry Team, Hilary G, Graham, John and Jenny, and for our Lay Pastoral Assistants Barbara, Liz and Richard. We give thanks for the varied and imaginative liturgy we enjoy in our worship each Sunday. We pray that St. Michael's may ever be a beacon of truth and light to our community. Empower all our church family to act in ways that align with your will for justice and peace.

Tue.14th We pray for our **Church School, St. Michael's Middle**, for Darren Ayling, its Headteacher, children, staff and Academy Committee.

Wed.15th Lord God, we uphold before you all those who are **sick and infirm, the sad, lonely and those who are housebound and for others in need**, 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.

Thu.16th **Pray for Suzanne and Eileen 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.17th We pray for **Cherubs**, our mums and carers toddlers' group and for all who contribute to its management and activity.

Sat.18th On **Anti-Slavery Day**, we lament the millions of people currently trapped in slavery around the world, including in the UK. Lord have mercy as we pray for freedom, Make us diligent to see exploitation around us, and give us boldness to give, act and pray about these issues.

Sunday 19th – Saturday 25th

Sun.19th We pray for the work and mission of **our Diocese of Salisbury**, remembering especially our **Bishops Stephen, Karen and Andrew**. Lord, bless them in their ministry. Grant unto them energy and vision. Guide them in their teaching and in the decisions they have to make.

Mon.20th During this **National Adoption Week**, we pray for all children who do not have parents, and we give thanks for those who adopt children. We pray you would stir those who are able to consider welcoming a child into their families, just as you have adopted us as sons and daughters into your family through Jesus Christ.

Tue.21st Please uphold in prayer Year 5 children from **St. Michael's Middle School** who are coming to church today to '**Experience Church**'. Pray for both children and staff, that this time may touch their hearts and minds.

Wed.22nd Lord, we give you thanks for those **unsung heroes** in our church family at St. Michael's who do so much in contributing to our common life together. Without any fanfare of trumpets, they quietly and unassumingly get on with their jobs, often unseen by others. Lord, bless each one of them.

Thu.23rd **Pray for Martin, Hilary G and Mac 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.24th **Colehill First School**– Executive Headteacher Sharon Staddon, children, staff, Academy committee & trustees.

Sat.25th Pray for a cause **dear to your heart** not mentioned elsewhere.

Sunday 26th – Friday 31st

- Sun.26th** Remember the **Diocese of Yambio in South Sudan** and for its **Bishop Edward Hiiboro Kussala** and for those in our link deanery Karika. In South Sudan nearly 2,000 civilians have been killed so far in 2025 due to rising political tensions and violence resulting from civil war. 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.27th** We pray for **children and young people in our local schools who are on half-term holiday this week, and for headteachers and staff.** We pray for rest, refreshment and renewal for them.
- Tue.28th** We pray for **world peace**, that ways of aggression and violence against fellow-humans may be renounced. **We call to mind the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and South Sudan and other areas of conflict and pray that wars may cease.**
- Wed.29th** Lord Jesus, on the **Feast day of Simon and Jude the Apostles**, whom you chose as your disciples, we remember their faith, their willingness to follow, and their courageous witness of your truth. We pray that you would give us boldness in our own witness, and help us to trust in you.
- Thu.30th** **Pray for Suzanne and John 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.31st** 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.