

**Diocese of Sodor and Man- Prayer Diary December 2021**

Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> <b>Charles de Foucauld, Hermit, 1916</b>	<b>Rushen</b>	Clergy: Joe Heaton, John Gulland, Roger Harper  Readers: Harry Dawson, Margaret Galloway, Wendy Heaton	The Diocese of Ife East – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Ibadan Province</i> )	Please pray for all struggling families, the homeless and all charity workers. We especially remember the southern hub of the Food Bank. May Our Lord be close to all of them.
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Parish of the Northern Plain</b>	Clergy: Iain Skidmore  Readers: Peter Ling, Peter Shimmin, Gill Poole	The Diocese of Ifo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Lagos Province</i> )	For those who find this time of year difficult. For the Northern Mission Partnership and their congregations. For the special services this season.
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> <b>Francis Xavier, 1552</b>	<b>Maughold, Dhoon and South Ramsey</b>	Local Minister (Dhoon): Nigel Cretney	The Diocese of Igbomina – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Kwara Province</i> )	‘Lord, we have stepped into Advent; we pray that we may tread hopefully, faithfully, expectantly and joyfully to arrive with wonder and worship at our journey’s end.’
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> <b>John of Damascus, Teacher, c. 749 Nicholas Ferrar, 1637</b>	<b>SUMT (Scripture Union Ministries Trust)</b>	Team Leader: Ruth Walker Schools Workers: Sue Yardy, Hannah Grove, Linda Wildman, Hannah Elpick, Hannah Grove and Kelly Taylor	The Diocese of Igbomina – West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Kwara Province</i> )	That through our school work with Christian Unions, Open the Book, Assemblies and Lessons each student will hear the true story of Christmas and understand the importance of it in their lives.
<b>SUN 5<sup>th</sup> THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>St Thomas’ (Douglas)</b>	Clergy: Liz Hull	The Anglican Church of Burundi	Pray for the outreach of St Thomas’ as it seeks to serve the local community. Give thanks for the commitment of the congregation.
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> <b>Nicholas, Bishop, c.326</b>	<b>Bride, Lezayre and North Ramsey</b>	Readers: Tim Grass, Joan Watson (emeritus)	The Diocese of Ihiala – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Niger Province</i> )	Pray for the churchwardens and for all who lead our worship.
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> <b>Ambrose, Bishop, Teacher, 397</b>	<b>The Parish of the West Coast</b>	Clergy: Nigel Godfrey, Ruth Walker, Colin Fleetney, Jeanette Hamer, Malcolm Convery, Margaret Burrow, Brian Kelly Local Ministers: Cheryl Cousins, Graham McAll, Robert Quayle. Readers: Rosemary Clarke, Denise Gelder, Stephen Hamer and Karen Garrett	The Diocese of Ijebu – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Lagos Province</i> )	‘Pray for our Primary Schools as they anticipate Christmas and embrace the season with excitement, carols and well-wishing.’
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> <b>The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	<b>Mothers’ Union</b>	President: Gail Eagles President Elect: Jeanette Hamer Chaplain: Ruth K Walker Secretary: Mary Hobdell	The Diocese of Ijebu – North – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Lagos Province</i> )	Pray for Gail Eagles as she comes to the end of her time as Mothers’ Union President and for the Rev’d Jeanette Hamer, President Elect.

Thu 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Jurby BMO</b>	Clergy: William Mackay	The Diocese of Ijebu South West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Lagos Province</i> )	Please pray for the Rev'd William Mackay and the BMO Steering Group; may their plans for outreach into the Jurby community be blessed.
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Matthew (Douglas)</b>	Clergy: Robert Ferguson, Roger Harper, Duncan Whitworth	The Diocese of Ijesa North East – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Ibadan Province</i> )	Parish charities: USPG, Graih and Isle of Man Foodbank.
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Arbory and Castletown</b>	Clergy: Irene Cowell, Jon Barwood, Colin Barry, Sue Watterson  Reader: Hilary Flynn	The Missionary Diocese of Ijesha North – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Ibadan Province</i> )	Pray for all the planned Christmas services in Arbory and Castletown and for today's Christmas Family Fun Day.
<b>SUN 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>The Cathedral</b>	Dean: Nigel Godfrey  Campaign Manager: Val Garrett	The Anglican Church of Canada	Pray for those attending and taking part in the Cathedral Carol Service to be held at 3pm; that in their worshipping, they will become aware of the presence of God.
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> <b>Lucy, Martyr, 304</b> <b>Samuel Johnson, 1784</b>	<b>Tynwald</b>	Lieutenant Governor: Lt Gen Sir John Lorimer The President of Tynwald The Speaker of the House of Keys The Chief Minister	The Diocese of Ijumu – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Lokoja Province</i> )	Pray for those who exercise ministerial office and for all members of the Legislative Council.
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> <b>John of the Cross, Teacher, 1591</b>	<b>Lonan and Laxey</b>	Clergy: Jo Dudley	The Diocese of Ikara – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Kaduna Province</i> )	'Please pray for all who will be alone this Christmas, help them to be strengthened by memories of Christmases past and in particular share the joy of Mary at the birth of her first-born – the Saviour of the world.'
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Care for the Family</b>	Lesley Payne	The Diocese of Ikeduru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Oswerri Province</i> )	Please pray for families across the Isle of Man and the UK that this festive period will strengthen relationships and build traditions and memories.
Thu 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Onchan</b>	Clergy: Alessandra Di Chiara  Readers: Carole Bairstow	The Diocese of Ikka – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Bendel Province</i> )	Please pray for the team running the group for parents and toddlers.
Fri 17 <b>Eglantine Jebb, 1928</b>	<b>The Diocese</b>	Bishop: Peter Eagles  Bishop's Chaplain: Michael Brydon  Secretaries: Lorna Cook, Michelle Barwood Registrar, Treasurer & Diocesan Officers.	The Diocese of Ikwerre – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Niger Delta Province</i> )	Within the diocese we pray for all Church Wardens, PCC officers and members, all church volunteers and Liturgical Assistants. We pray also for all attending the QE2 Carol Service, at the cathedral, that they may be inspired to seek God through the readings of scripture and through Christmas music.

Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St George and All Saints (Douglas)</b>	Clergy: Vacant Readers: Charles Flynn Licensed Assistant: Ray Platt	The Diocese of Ikwo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Enugu Province)	For the churchwardens and the Parochial Church Council. Give thanks for those who lead our worship.
<b>SUN 19<sup>th</sup> THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory</b>	Kilkenny College : The Rev'd Alex Morahan Enniscorthy: The Rev'd Nicola Halford	The Church of the Province of Central Africa	Pray for those across the Island who are being confirmed in Kirk Michael Church; that they may grow in the likeness of Christ. Praying also for those preparing for the Big Table Christmas Lunch, at the cathedral, and for all who serve the community this way.
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Chaplains on the Island</b>	Noble's Hospital: Philip Frear; Prison and Ramsey Hospital: Brian Evans-Smith; KWC: Erica Scott; FE College: Daniel Richards; Police: Jo Dudley; Deaf Community: Jeanette Hamer; Rural Community: Irene Cowell	The Diocese of Ikwuano – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Aba Province)	Please pray for all the chaplains who provide ministry across the Island. We pray for all who will be on duty in the emergency services over this busy festive time; be with their families as they look forward to spending time together.
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Marown, Foxdale and Baldwin</b>	Clergy: Janice Ward, Steven Herron Readers: Nancy Clague, Doug Chalk, Heather Paisley	The Diocese of Ilaje – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ondo Province)	'We give you thanks for those people who have inspired us and led us in faith closer to you. May we be such an inspiration to others.'
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Eastern Mission Partnership</b>	Team Leader: Alessandra di Chiara The Commissioners of Garff, Onchan, Braddan and Councillors of Douglas	The Diocese of Ile – Oluji -The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ondo Province)	Pray for fellowship and joy within the Mission Partnership.
Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Church in the Pub, Sundays at 10 The Cat with no Tail.</b>	Clergy- John Guilford	The Diocese of Ilesa – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ibadan Province)	'Relight the fire of love in our hearts Lord as we approach, once more, the time of Jesus' birth.'
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>Braddan</b>	Clergy: Daniel Richards, Margaret Fourie	The Diocese of Ilesa South West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ibadan Province)	'Please pray for the message of Christmas to be more real than the glitter and hype; especially for young people.' Bless all crib, christingle and carol services.
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	<b>St Ninian (Douglas)</b>	Clergy: John Coldwell, John Guilford, Les Lawrinson	The Diocese of North East India – The (united) Church of North India	With unity and great joy, give thanks for the birth of the Christ Child this morning.

SUN 26 <sup>th</sup> <b>ST STEPHEN, DEACON AND FIRST MARTYR</b>	<b>Western Mission Partnership</b>	Team Leader: Nigel Godfrey  The Commissioners of Marown, Michael, German, Patrick, Peel.  Diocesan Spirituality Adviser: Karen Garrett	Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America	Pray for those who are unable to attend church; that they may receive the blessing of Home Communion. Pray for those who are struggling to live because of fuel poverty this winter. Pray for the work of the Credit Union helping people to manage spending.
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> <b>St John Apostle and Evangelist</b>	<b>Isle of Man Prison</b>	Chaplain to the Prison: Brian Evans-Smith	The Diocese of Northern Indiana – The Episcopal Church ( <i>V (5) Province</i> )	Pray for those being held in prison away from their families and those held without trial.
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> <b>The Holy Innocents</b>	<b>Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory  Arbory and Castletown</b>	Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory: The Rt Rev'd Michael Burrows Baltinglass: The Rev'd Mairt Hanley	The Diocese of Indianapolis – The Episcopal Church ( <i>V (5) Province</i> )	Pray for all clergy, readers and worship leaders. Give thanks for the faithful lay ministry of all.
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> <b>Thomas Becket, Archbishop, Martyr, 1170</b>	<b>Northern Mission Partnership</b>	Team Leader: Vacant  Clergy: David Greenwood, Malcolm Convery, Brian Evans- Smith and Iain Skidmore.  The Commissioners of Ramsey, Andreas, Ballaugh, Bride, Jurby, Lezayre, Garff.	The Diocese of Iowa – The Episcopal Church ( <i>VI (6) Province</i> )	For the Holy Spirit to guide, strengthen and renew all people.
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Douglas Bishop's Mission Order: Pioneer Church Church in the Pub, Sundays at 10 The Cat with no Tail.</b>	Clergy: Alex Brown	The Diocese of Iran – The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East	Pray that we continue to reach out to groups the church struggles to reach and that we sense God's direction and timing.
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> <b>Silvester, Bishop John Wyclif, 1384</b>	<b>Southern Mission Partnership</b>	Team Leader: Joe Heaton The Commissioners of Arbory, Castletown, Malew, Port Erin, Port St. Mary, Rushen, Santon	The Diocese of Irele – Eseodo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) ( <i>Ondo Province</i> )	Pray for the Island Spirituality Network and its ecumenical outreach.