

Diocese of Sodor and Man-Prayer Diary December 2022



| Thu 1 st | Jurby BMO | | The Diocese of Nyang – | Isaiah spoke of how |
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| Charles de Foucauld, Hermit, 1916 | | | The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Bahr el Ghazal Province) | the people who walked in darkness had seen a great light. May the light of Christ illuminate us. |
| Fri 2 nd | Lonan and Laxey | Clergy: Alessandra di Chiara | The Diocese of Southern Nyanza – The Anglican Church of Kenya | We pray for outreach into our community as we prepare for and celebrate Christmas. |
| Sat 3 rd Francis Xavier, 1552 | Parish of the West Coast | 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 | The Diocese of Nzara – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Western Equatoria Province) | Pray for the various Christmas coffee mornings and events, which will take place throughout the month, that they will be opportunities to share the love, hope and peace of the season. Pray for all schools in the parish and that families may experience something of God's love and hope during the festivities. |
| SUN 4 th THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT | SUMT (Scripture Union Ministries Trust) | Team Leader: Sue Yardy Schools Workers: Hannah Grove, Linda Wildman, Panda Dooley, Hannah Elphick and Kelly Taylor | The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East | Please pray for the assemblies we have throughout December in both primary and secondary schools. Pray for engagement with Christian Unions and for the young people of the Isle of Man to hear the true meaning of Christmas. |
| Mon 5 th | Braddan | Clergy: Daniel Richards, Margaret Fourie | The Diocese of el-Obeid – Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan | 'Please pray for our Christmas activities that people feel included and yet get the message of Christmas.' |
| Tues 6 th Nicholas, Bishop c.326 | Malew and Santan | Clergy: Mark Radcliffe Readers: Howard Connell and Ellen Halliwell | The Diocese of Offa – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Kwara Province) | Pray for growth in faith, hope and love. |
| Wed 7 th Ambrose, Bishop, Teacher, 397 | St Thomas' (Douglas) | Clergy: Liz Hull | The Diocese of Ogbaru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Province) | For all Christmas services, as we reach out to the wider community, that we might share the light and hope of Christ with them. May we bring the joy of Christmas to families in our community. |
| Thu 8 th The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary | Parish of the Northern Plain | Clergy: Iaen Skidmore Readers: Peter Ling, Peter Shimmin, Gill Poole | The Diocese of Ogbia – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Delta Province) | 'For the Northern Plain to be filled with the hope that is in the infant Jesus.' |

| Fri 9 th | The Mothers' Union | President: Jeanette Hamer Chaplain: Ruth K Walker Secretary: Ann Corlett | The Diocese of Ogbomoso – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ibadan Province) | 'We pray for opportunities, wisdom and words, to share the joy and wonder of "God with us" through Christ Jesus.' |
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| Sat 10 th | Care for the Family | Paula Pridham, (Executive Director) Lesley Payne, (Personal Assistant to the Executive Director) | The Diocese of Ogoni – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Delta Province) | Please pray for families, this Christmas, as they deal with different types of pressure. Pray that they have a peaceful and joyful Christmas. |
| SUN 11 th THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | The Cathedral | Dean: Nigel Godfrey Central Services: Val Garrett Hospitality & Pastoral: Helen Parry Liturgy & Worship: Ruth Walker Mission, Education & Training: Rosemary Clarke Music: Peter Litman | The Anglican Church of Kenya | Pray for the Cathedral's Festival of Carols and give thanks for the music which inspires the joy of God's presence. We pray that we may bring love and respect into the small and hidden places, to those who feel unvalued and unseen. |
| Mon 12 th | Maughold, Dhoon and South Ramsey | Clergy: Lynn Davidson Local Minister (Dhoon): Nigel Cretney | The Missionary Diocese of Ogori-Magongo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lokoja Province) | 'Lord, we pray at this time of Advent, fire our imagination, and let your Spirit move among us as we journey towards the Child in the manger, God amongst us, born as one of us.' |
| Tues 13 th Lucy, Martyr, 304 Samuel Johnson, 1784 | Rushen | Clergy: Joe Heaton, John Gulland, Roger Harper and Ginny Viner Readers: Wendy Heaton, Harry Dawson and Margaret Galloway | The Diocese of Ohaji/Egbema – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Owerri Province) | 'For all musicians and choirs bringing music to our services at this Christmas season.' |
| Wed 14 th John of the Cross, Teacher, 1591 | Tynwald | Charles our King, Lord of Mann Lieutenant Governor: Lt Gen Sir John Lorimer The President of Tynwald The Speaker of the House of Keys The Chief Minister | The Diocese of Ohio – The Episcopal Church (V (5) Province) | Pray for those who exercise ministerial office, for all members of the House of Keys and the Legislative Council. |
| Thu 15 th | The Diocese | Bishop: Peter Eagles Archdeacon: Irene Cowell Bishop's Missioner: Andrew Coleman Bishop's Chaplain: Michael Brydon Bishop's Secretary: Lorna Cook Synod Secretary: Colin Kelsey Diocesan Secretary: Tony Connell Registrar, Treasurer & Diocesan Officers. | The Diocese of Southern Ohio – The Episcopal Church (V (5) Province) | Within the diocese we pray for all Church Wardens, Parochial Church Council officers and members, all church volunteers and Liturgical Assistants. |

| Fri 16 th | The Western Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Nigel Godfrey Diocesan Spirituality Adviser: Karen Garrett The Commissioners of Marown, Michael, German, Patrick and Peel. | The Diocese of Oji River - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Enugu Province) | Pray for engaging and deepening discussion in our Advent study/prayer groups in the cathedral and across the partnership. We pray for all offering warm spaces that the warmth of God's love and care will also be felt. |
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| Sat 17 th | Chaplains on the Island | 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 Travelling Community: laen Skidmore | The Diocese of Okene – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lokoja Province) | Please pray for all the chaplains who provide ministry across the Island. May they minister effectively to their communities and witness faithfully. |
| SUN 18 th THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT | St Ninian's (Douglas) | Clergy: John Coldwell, John Guilford | The Anglican Church of Korea | 'We pray for safe travel for all seeing family and friends over the Christmas and New Year period. For those who are struggling, or lonely, we pray for peace and serenity and company and comfort. Above all we pray that everyone may know the peace of Christ in their hearts and minds this Christmastide.' |
| Mon 19 th | Bride, Lezayre and North Ramsey | Clergy: Lynn Davidson Readers: Tim Grass, Joan Watson (emeritus) | The Diocese of Oke- Ogun – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ibadan Province) | May those who are worrying about heating, lighting and eating find appropriate support. |
| Tues 20 th | St George and All Saints, (Douglas) | Clergy: Irene Cowell, Andrew Coleman Readers: Charles Flynn Licensed Assistant: Ray Platt | The Diocese of Oke-Osun The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Ibadan Province) | In this final week of Advent may we celebrate the coming of Christ in the past, meet with him in the present and look forward to his future coming. |
| Wed 21 st | St Matthew's (Douglas) | Clergy: Michael Brydon, Andrew Coleman, Roger Harper, Duncan Whitworth | The Diocese of Okigwe – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Owerri Province) | Bless today's visit of Manor Park School to St Matthew's. Pray for the charities supported by St Matthew's. |
| Thu 22 nd | Eastern Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Alessandra di Chiara The Commissioners of Garff, Onchan, Braddan and Councillors of Douglas | The Diocese of Okigwe North – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Owerii Province) | We pray for the young students who have attended Christmas events at University College Isle of Man and our Cathedral this week. |

| Fri 23 rd | Onchan | Clergy: Alessandra Di Chiara Reader: Carole Bairstow | The Diocese of Okigwe South – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) | Pray for Elaine Litherland and George Sinclair in their ministry as Liturgical Assistants. |
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| Sat 24 th CHRISTMAS EVE | Church in the Pub, Sundays at 10 The Cat with no Tail. | Clergy- John Guilford | The Diocese of Okinawa - The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Church in Japan) | 'Dear Lord re-energise us in heart and mind, to push on to build your kingdom here in the island. Amen' |
| SUN 25 th CHRISTMAS DAY | Northern Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Lynn Davidson Clergy: David Greenwood, Brian Evans- Smith, Jo Dudley, Ian Faulds and Iaen Skidmore. The Commissioners of Ramsey, Andreas, | The Anglican Church of Melanesia | 'Today we celebrate the reality of God's presence in our lives; may we begin to see the world now in the light of understanding that you give us.' |
| | | Ballaugh, Bride, Jurby, Lezayre, Garff. | | |
| Mon 26 th ST STEPHEN, DEACON and FIRST MARTYR | Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory | Kilkenny College: The Rev'd Alex Morahan Enniscorthy: The Rev'd Nicola Halford | The Diocese of Oklahoma – The Episcopal Church (VII (7) Province) | 'We give thanks for the life of St Stephen. Help us to imitate the devotion to God that he showed in his important work for the early Church.' |
| Tues 27 th ST JOHN APOSTLE and EVANGELIST | Marown, Foxdale and Baldwin | Clergy: Janice Ward, Steven Herron Readers: Nancy Clague, Doug Chalk, Heather Paisley | The Diocese of Okrika – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Delta Province) | 'God our Father, you have revealed the mysteries of your word through John the apostle. By prayer and reflection may we come to understand the wisdom he taught.' |
| Wed 28 th THE HOLY INNOCENTS | Arbory and Castletown | Clergy: Jon Barwood, Colin Barry, Sue Watterson Reader: Hilary Flynn | The Diocese of Oleh – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Bendel Province) | On this day we recall the murder of innocent lives and remember the violence and injustice of our world. We pray for all children that they may grow up knowing love and security. |
| Thu 29 th Thomas Becket, Archbishop, Martyr, 1170 | Isle of Man Prison | Chaplain to the Prison: Brian Evans-Smith | The Diocese of Olo – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Western Equatoria Province) | Pray for those being held in prison away from their families and those held without trial. |
| Fri 30 th | 'Pioneer Church' (Douglas Bishop's Mission Order) | Clergy: Alex Brown | The Diocese of Olympia – The Episcopal Church (VIII (8) Province) | Pray that in this coming year we reach people not connected to any church. |
| Sat 31 st Silvester, Bishop John Wyclif, 1384 | Southern Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Joe Heaton The Commissioners of Arbory, Castletown, Malew, Port Erin, Port St. Mary, Rushen and Santon | The Diocese of Omu- Aran – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Kwara Province) | 'Sylvester saw the impact of the conversion of the Roman Emperor Constantine; may our lives, in 2023 be ones of daily conversion.' |