



Diocese of Sodor and Man - Prayer Diary January 2026



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| <p>Thu 1st</p> <p>THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS</p> | Rushen | <p>Clergy: Joe Heaton, John Gulland, Roger Harper and Ginny Viner</p> <p>Readers: Wendy Heaton and Harry Dawson</p> | The Diocese of Seychelles – The Church of the Province of Indian Ocean | In this new year we pray for peace and less poverty for our fellow brothers and sisters in our world and that leaders can work more closely together. |
| <p>Fri 2nd</p> <p>Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, bishops and teachers of the faith, 379 and 389</p> <p>Seraphim, monk, spiritual guide, 1833</p> <p>Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, bishop, evangelist, 1945</p> | SUMT (Scripture Union Mission Trust) | Staff Team: Kristina Reeves, Panda Dooley, Hannah Grove, Sarah Rotchell, Sue Yardy, Ben Pitt and Katryna Baptist | The Diocese of Sheffield – The Church of England | Pray for the Scripture Union Mission Trust Team at the start of a new year. |
| <p>Sat 3rd</p> | The retired clergy of the diocese | All retired clergy in the diocese | The Diocese of Shinyanga – The Anglican Church of Tanzania | Please give thanks for the ministry of retired clergy, past, present, and on-going. Pray for God's blessing as they continue to support the diocese. |
| <p>SUN 4th</p> <p>THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS</p> | The Diocese | <p>Bishop: Patricia Hillas</p> <p>Archdeacon: Irene Cowell</p> <p>Bishop's Missioner: Andrew Coleman</p> <p>Bishop's Chaplain: Michael Brydon</p> <p>Bishop's Secretary: Lorna Cook</p> <p>Synod Secretary: Colin Kelsey</p> <p>Diocesan Secretary: Tony Connell</p> <p>Registrar, Treasurer & Diocesan Officers.</p> | The Church of the Province of Central Africa | <p>Pray for the collective work being undertaken on the future vision for the diocese.</p> <p>Pray also for those who are testing the vocation to ordained ministry within the diocese.</p> |
| <p>Mon 5th</p> | St Thomas' School | Head of St Thomas': Denise Lyons | The Diocese of Upper Shire – The Church of the Province of Central Africa | Bless the school at the start of a new term. |
| <p>Tues 6th</p> <p>EPIPHANY</p> | Braddan | Clergy: Daniel Richards | The Diocese of Shiya – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda | Please pray for our Sunday School, for the teachers and young people as well as <i>Open the Book</i> , as they go into primary schools in the Braddan area. |
| <p>Wed 7th</p> | St Ninian's | Clergy: Steven Herron and Alex Brown | The Diocese of Shyogwe – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda | Pray that God's vision for the parish is realised through teamwork and channelled through the clergy leading St Ninian's, so all grow in our faith together. |
| <p>Thu 8th</p> | Lonan and Laxey | Clergy: Alessandra di Chiara | The Diocese of Sialkot – The Church of Pakistan (United) | We pray for the work of Bubble Church. |

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| Fri 9 th | Onchan | Clergy: Alessandra Di Chiara Reader: Carole Bairstow | The Diocese of Singapore – Church of the Province of South East Asia | Bless all our endeavours as we plan for the future and seek to serve our parish to the best of our ability. |
| Sat 10 th William Laud, archbishop, 1645 | King William's College | Principal of King William's College: Damian Henderson | The Diocese of Sittwe – The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) | Pray for all those involved in education. Help us to find true wisdom in God. |
| SUN 11th THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST | The Eastern Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Alessandra di Chiara The Commissioners of Garff, Onchan, Braddan and Councillors of Douglas | Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America | Bless our hopes and aspirations for the projects we are working on as a Mission Partnership. |
| Mon 12 th Aelred, abbot, 1167 Benedict Biscop, scholar, 689 | The Isle of Man Prison | Chaplain to the Prison: Brian Evans-Smith | The Diocese of Sodor and Man – The Church of England | We remember all who lead worship in the prison and who support the prison community pastorally. |
| Tues 13 th Kentigern, Bishop , 603 Hilary, bishop, teacher of the faith, 367 George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers), 1691 | Care for the Family | Paula Pridham, (Executive Director) Jody Jones (Executive Support) | The Diocese of Sokoto – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) | Pray for all families throughout this coming year. |
| Wed 14 th | The Western Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Nigel Godfrey Diocesan Spirituality Adviser: Karen Garrett | The Diocese of Central Solomons – The Anglican Church of Melanesia | For the engagement of our churches with the year of the Manx language. |
| Thu 15 th | St George and All Saints, Douglas | Clergy: Irene Cowell, Andrew Coleman, Ian Quayle Reader: Charles Flynn Licensed Assistant: Ray Platt | The Diocese of Soroti – The Church of the Province of Uganda | Pray for our work with children and for those who lead it. |
| Fri 16 th | Marown, Foxdale and Baldwin | Clergy: Janice Ward Readers: Nancy Clague, Heather Paisley | The Diocese of Southwark – The Church of England | 'Lord bless and guide the plans for our new heating system, that this will lead to new vision and opportunities for mission.' |
| Sat 17 th Anthony of Egypt, hermit, abbot, 356 Charles Gore, bishop, founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932 | Chaplains | Prison and Ramsey Hospital: Brian Evans-Smith; Noble's Hospital: Iaen Skidmore; FE College: Daniel Richards; Army Cadets: Steven Herron; Police: Jo Dudley; Deaf Community: Jeanette Hamer; Rural Community: Irene Cowell; Sea Cadets: Michael Brydon; Order of St John: Liz Hull | The Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham – The Church of England | Pray for all the chaplains who provide ministry across the Island. May they use the privilege of their chaplaincy role both to support and to inspire. |

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| SUN 18th THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY | Church in the Pub, Sunday at 10 The Cat with no Tail. | Reader- Chris Wildman | Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo | The Cat began on 14th January 1996 and marks its 30th Anniversary Service today. Please pray that as we celebrate the past that this 30th year will also be a year of joyously moving forward. |
| Mon 19 th Wulfstan, bishop, 1095 | St Matthew's, Douglas | Clergy: Michael Brydon, Andrew Coleman, Roger Harper, Duncan Whitworth | The Reformed Episcopal Church of the Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain – (Extra Provincial) | We give thanks for the establishment of our <i>Pray and Play</i> area and rejoice in the new members joining our congregation. |
| Tues 20 th Machona of Inis Patrick, 648 Richard Rolle, spiritual writer, 1349 | Parish of the West Coast | Clergy: Nigel Godfrey, Malcolm Convery, Margaret Burrow, Joanna Fisher, Jeanette Hamer, Mark Radcliffe Local Ministers: Cheryl Cousins, Graham McAll, Robert Quayle. Readers: Rosemary Clarke, Stephen Hamer, Peter Ling | The Diocese of Spokane – The Episcopal Church | For churches preparing their Annual Reports. May they celebrate all that is good and learn from their mistakes. |
| Wed 21 st Agnes, child martyr, 304 | Tynwald and Local Government Across the Isle of Man | Dean: Nigel Godfrey Central Services: Val Garrett Hospitality & Pastoral: Helen Parry Education & Training: Rosemary Clarke Mission: Mark Radcliffe Music: Peter Litman | The Diocese of Springfield – The Episcopal Church | We pray for all those entrusted with leading government on the Island. Grant them both wisdom and vision in their work. |
| Thu 22 nd Vincent of Saragossa, deacon, martyr, 304 | Ramsey and the North- East | Clergy: Jo Dudley and Ian Faulds Readers: Jo Hartley & Tim Grass | The Diocese of Port Sudan – Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan | We pray for the Revd Daniel Norris as he prepares to move to the Island to take charge of our parish. |
| Fri 23 rd | Malew and Santan | Clergy: Ruth Walker Readers: Howard Connell and Ellen Halliwell | The Diocese of Sul Occidental – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil | Pray for young people in the parish and wisdom in how we reach out. |
| Sat 24 th Frances de Sales, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1622 | The Southern Mission Partnership | Team Leader: Joe Heaton The Commissioners of Arbory, Castletown, Malew, Port Erin, Port St. Mary, Rushen and Santon | The Diocese of Sunyani – The Church of the West Province of West Africa | Bless the members of the Southern Mission Partnership in their work for the Kingdom of God. |
| SUN 25th THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL | The Parish of the Northern Plain | Clergy: Brian Evans- Smith Readers: Peter Shimmin, Gill Poole Liturgical Assistants: Elaine Aulton & Judith Ley | Iglesia Anglicana de Chile | That the Lord will bless our worshipping life and that some lost sheep will be found. |
| Mon 26 th Timothy and Titus, companions of Pauo Conan of Man, Bishop, 648 | The Mothers' Union | President: Ann Corlett Chaplain: Ian Faulds | The Diocese of Sur – Iglesia Anglicana de Chile | Pray for the work of the Mothers' Union as it seeks to support family life and the wider work of the diocese. |

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| Tues 27 th | The Anglican Communion | All leaders of the church across the Anglican Communion | The Diocese of Del Sureste – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico | Pray for St German's Cathedral as mother church of this diocese and for Canterbury Cathedral as mother church of the Anglican Communion. |
| Wed 28 th Thomas Aquinas, priest, philosopher, teacher of the faith, 1274 | The Northern Mission Partnership | Clergy: Brian Evans-Smith, Jo Dudley and Ian Faulds The Commissioners of Ramsey, Andreas, Ballaugh, Bride, Jurby, Lezayre, Garff. | The Diocese of Swansea and Brecon – The Church in Wales | Pray for God's faithfulness to be known in our world. In a world of change let us find hope. |
| Thu 29 th | Arbory and Castletown | Clergy: Simon Archer, Colin Barry, Sue Watterson Reader: Hilary Flynn | The Diocese of Sydney – The Anglican Church of Australia | For the launch of the Renew on the Harbour wellbeing café. Bless its beginning as part of The Upper Room project. Pray for our confirmation candidates. |
| Fri 30 th Charles, king and martyr, 1649 | St Thomas', Douglas | Clergy: Liz Hull Reader: Steve Hull | The Diocese of Tabora – The Anglican Church of Tanzania | Pray for St Thomas' as it welcomes those seeking faith that they might encounter Jesus. Pray for the PCC and all those who hold responsibility as they care for the mission of God in this church and the community that surrounds it. |
| Sat 31 st John Bosco, priest, founder of the Salesian Teaching Order. 1888 | The Cathedral | Charles our King, Lord of Mann The Lieutenant Governor The President of Tynwald The Speaker of the House of Keys The Chief Minister | Te Pihopatanga o Te Tai Tokerau – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia | For the Quiet Day at the Cathedral. For space, fellowship and prayer. |