

## **St Laurence Church**

### **Prayer Calendar – January 2023**

#### **Sunday 1**

*Christmas 2, Naming of Jesus*

Giving thanks that you know each of us by name and love each one of us as your children  
In Frodsham we pray for Ellis Lane where God is at work. Pray for Belgium that all may flourish.

#### **Monday 2**

*Basil the Great 379, Gregory of Nazianzus 389, bishops*  
As we look to the year ahead, bless each one of us and strengthen us to follow in your footsteps of kindness and love

In Frodsham we pray for Froda Avenue where God is at work. Pray for Belize that all may flourish.

#### **Tuesday 3**

For your Spirit to lead us as a church in this New Year that we may be a community of love  
In Frodsham we pray for Woodside Avenue where God is at work. Pray for Benin that all may flourish.

#### **Wednesday 4**

For all scientists, researchers and industrialists working towards a better and fairer world.  
In Frodsham we pray for Clover Avenue where God is at work. Pray for Bhutan that all may flourish.

#### **Thursday 5**

For all long-distance lorry drivers and the pressures they face, particularly in bad weather  
In Frodsham we pray for Orchard Close where God is at work. Pray for Bolivia that all may flourish.

#### **Friday 6**

*Feast of Epiphany*

Giving thanks that you are God for all nations and all peoples, regardless of our differences  
In Frodsham we pray for Buttermere Close where God is at work.  
Pray for Bosnia and Herzegovina that all may flourish.

#### **Saturday 7**

For all in Ukraine who are struggling to keep warm and safe during this time of warfare against them  
In Frodsham we pray for Rock Drive where God is at work. Pray for Botswana that all may flourish.

#### **Sunday 8**

*Baptism of Christ. Epiphany 1*

For all young families and single parent families, as they bring up their children during this recession  
In Frodsham we pray for Bracken Way where God is at work.  
Pray for Brazil that all may flourish.

#### **Monday 9**

When we are hurt or angry or dispirited, Lord, just love us and enable us to let go of all bitterness and to forgive others  
In Frodsham we pray for Penrith Close where God is at work. Pray for Brunei that all may flourish.

#### **Tuesday 10**

For our local council and all those who work there, that they may always keep in sight the greater good of society  
In Frodsham we pray for Hazlehurst Road where God is at work.  
Pray for Bulgaria that all may flourish.

#### **Wednesday 11**

For our police, prison officers and all those who work in the justice system  
In Frodsham we pray for Thirlmere Close where God is at work.  
Pray for Burkina Faso that all may flourish.

#### **Thursday 12**

*Aelred, abbot 1167*

For all working in retail and particularly for those who work in bringing food into our shops  
In Frodsham we pray for Bradley Lane where God is at work.  
Pray for Burundi that all may flourish.

#### **Friday 13**

*Hilary, bishop 367*

For our bishops and all who work for the Diocese of Chester in the many roles that are needed  
In Frodsham we pray for Saint Hilda's Drive where God is at work.  
Pray for Cabo Verde that all may flourish.

#### **Saturday 14**

For our church groups who meet and for the companionship and support they offer  
In Frodsham we pray for Saltworks Close where God is at work.  
Pray for Cambodia that all may flourish.

#### **Sunday 15**

*Epiphany 2*

With joy may we draw water from your wells of salvation to quench our thirst and open our eyes to you this day  
In Frodsham we pray for Grasmere Road where God is at work.  
Pray for Cameroon that all may flourish.

#### **Monday 16**

Loving God, help us to be generous and kind, help us to look to the needs of others and not be consumed by only our own wants  
In Frodsham we pray for Alvanley Terrace where God is at work.  
Pray for Canada that all may flourish.

**Tuesday 17**

*Antony of Egypt, abbot 356*

That we may respond to Jesus' call to follow him in all circumstances of our life - at both difficult and easy times

In Frodsham we pray for Cobal Court where God is at work.

Pray for Central African Republic (CAR) that all may flourish.

**Wednesday 18**

*Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins*

For Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and their work

In Frodsham we pray for Princeway where God is at work. Pray for Chad that all may flourish.

**Thursday 19**

*Wulfstan, bishop 1095*

For Frodsham Churches Together and unity of heart between all local Christians

In Frodsham we pray for Volunteer Street where God is at work. Pray for Chile that all may flourish.

**Friday 20**

For all Christians who live in places where it is difficult or dangerous to confess their faith, for strength and courage

In Frodsham we pray for Wayford Close where God is at work. Pray for China that all may flourish.

**Saturday 21**

*Agnes, child martyr 304*

For all children - for protection and the presence of love in their lives. Remembering particularly those children we know

In Frodsham we pray for Hillsborrow Avenue where God is at work. Pray for Colombia that all may flourish.

**Sunday 22**

*Epiphany 3*

May the fruits of your spirit be evident in our lives - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control

In Frodsham we pray for Borrowdale Close where God is at work. Pray for Comoros that all may flourish.

**Monday 23**

That believers of all faiths in every country may be able to listen to each other and live in peace

In Frodsham we pray for Meadow View Drive where God is at work.

Pray for the Democratic Republic of Congo, that all may flourish.

**Tuesday 24**

*Francis de Sales, bishop 1622*

For all Members of Parliament that they may work with integrity and honesty

In Frodsham we pray for Elm Rise where God is at work.

Pray for the Republic of Congo, that all may flourish.

**Wednesday 25**

*Conversion of Paul (end of week of prayer for Christian unity)*

Giving thanks for our scriptures, for their wisdom and for the working of the Holy Spirit in our lives as we read them

In Frodsham we pray for School Lane where God is at work. Pray for Costa Rica that all may flourish.

**Thursday 26**

*Timothy and Titus*

For our vicar, churchwarden, warden's team and our PCC, that they may seek only to bring glory to you, our God

In Frodsham we pray for Holly Bank where God is at work. Pray for Cote d'Ivoire that all may flourish.

**Friday 27**

For all those who suffer from mental distress or mental illness, praying for peace and support for them

In Frodsham we pray for Red Lane where God is at work. Pray for Croatia that all may flourish.

**Saturday 28**

*Thomas Aquinas, priest 1274*

Help us, Lord, not to hide our talents and gifts but to use them for the growth of your church and each other

In Frodsham we pray for Manor Road where God is at work. Pray for Cuba that all may flourish.

**Sunday 29**

*The Presentation of Christ*

Giving thanks that you are the Light for the whole world, bringing illumination and understanding in our hearts

In Frodsham we pray for Ennerdale Drive where God is at work. Pray for Cyprus that all may flourish.

**Monday 30**

*Charles, king, martyr 1649*

For Amnesty International and all who work for them and for other organisations working for victims of injustice

In Frodsham we pray for Simons Lane where God is at work. Pray for Czechia that all may flourish.

**Tuesday 31**

Giving thanks for our senses and holding those before you who have one or more diminished senses

In Frodsham we pray for Church Road where God is at work. Pray for Denmark that all may flourish.