

# Tyne Valley Parish Church

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Short daily prayers for people and situations, our Church, our local Community and further afield.



### Friday 1st - All Saints Day

Watching for a new heaven, waiting for a new earth, we come to you Lord God, praying for the church. Transform this broken body into a communion of saints, a company of the faithful, working for good in your world. O Lord our God, have mercy, and wipe away our tears.

### Saturday 2nd - Heavenly Father we worship and adore You

"Adoration is a bone and gut event; it clutches you, so the knee has to bend. It grabs you by the throat; you cannot speak. All that is left to you is worship." Heavenly Father, in our own way we bend the knee and worship You today.

### Sunday 3rd - Messy Church @ Pathhead Village Hall

Please pray for Louise and the team as they prepare for Messy Church today. Pray for families to respond to the invitation, that they will feel closer to you Jesus, through the Bible stories, songs, activities, fellowship and food. Give thanks to the Lord for the team who are prepared to meet each month.



### Monday 4th - The Seasons

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot." Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Lord God, thank you for the seasons we can count on, find routine in, and that will never cease while the earth remains. As we enter into autumn, when the cooler winds drift in and the days grow shorter, draw us closer to You. Let us feel Your warm and loving presence.



### Tuesday 5th - The future of Tyne Valley Parish

We ask you Lord to be with those who are making decisions that they may be open to a wide range of ideas from various sources and that you provide them with the wisdom to make the decisions that will bring local people to a new relationship with You. May there be New Life and New Hope in TVP.

### Wednesday 6th - Mourning the loss of loved ones

Jesus wept when He learnt of the death of Lazarus (John 11:35). Heavenly Father, we mourn the passing of any of our friends and family, both personal and from the church, and ask you to be with all for whom this is a difficult time. Hold them in Your loving hands. May they know Your presence and the peace only you can bring.



### Thursday 7th November - The Poor

"Feed my sheep." John 21:17 Heavenly Father today we pray for the poor in this country. There are too many families having to make choice between eating or heating. We live in a first world country with third world poverty. Lord, what can I do? I ask for guidance on how I can make a difference.

### Friday 8th - Living God we pray today for all followers of Jesus, the true Christ

"A Thursday - no - a Friday someone said. What year was it? Just after the previous age ended, it began. And although scientists still studied the heavens and the stars blazed - if the evening wasn't cloudy - what happened did not occur in public view. Some said it simply didn't happen, although others insisted they knew all about it and made many intricate plans". We pray for all Christians throughout the world.

### Saturday 9th - We pray for an end to war

Lord God, we hold up to you the conflicts in Gaza, Lebanon and the wider Middle East, and in Ukraine. We pray for peace and for all people to accept and love their neighbours and live in harmony, no matter how long-standing grievances and hatred have marred relationships. Today and every day we pray for an end to war.



### Sunday 10th - Remembrance Sunday

I am for peace; but when I speak, they are for war. Psalm 120:7  
On this day we remember all those who went to war but did not return. All those who were wounded, physically, mentally and emotionally. So much pain and suffering. Lord God we pray for peace and an end to conflict and war.



### Monday 11th - We pray for children caught up in war

"In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish" Matthew 18:14

We ask you Lord to protect young children who are caught up in conflict. We pray for children and young people trapped in terror and violence that is beyond their understanding. Jesus, we ask that you hold them all in your loving arms.



### Tuesday 12th - Pray for the world

"The earth is the Lord's, we gabbled, and the fullness thereof - while we looted and pillaged, claiming indemnity; the fullness thereof given over to us, to our use - while we preened ourselves, sure of our power, wilful or ignorant, through the centuries". Lord God, it is not too late and we pray for Your world.

### Wednesday 13th - We turn our gaze to the horizon

Dear God, our horizons are often too small, too limited, and our thoughts so often tuned only to ourselves and our fellowship. Please help us to extend ourselves, and guide us to fresh vision, hope, service and witness. We pray that we may soar on wings of eagles and see beyond the horizon.



### Thursday 14th - Youth Work

Lord today we pray for the work being undertaken through Impact in Pathhead and North Middleton and PYP in Pathhead. Guide the youth leaders and give them wisdom in their work as they get alongside the young people and make a difference in their lives and in the wider community. Continue to pray for the work in the schools and that the church would be seen as being a vital support tool for the school.



### Friday 15th - The world-wide church

Loving Father, we pray today for Christians who feel threatened by contrasting patterns of worship and diverging expressions of faith. Gather us up into meaningful and genuine discussions, enabling our Church, Your Church, to move forward with love and respect for one another.

### Saturday 16th - Autumn

From amber, to green, to russet, to red, to gold, the colours of autumn are yours Lord God and they declare Your beauty. Yet such are the diversity of colours that we cannot find the words to tell the whole story. It is so with you, creator God. We cannot describe You. Words fail us. We can never know all of You, but You know each one of us, fully, and You love us.



### Sunday 17th - Remember today all those who work in the NHS

In the New Testament (Luke 4:40) Luke tells us Jesus laid His hands on the sick and healed them. Father, we give thanks for our NHS and for the skill and dedication of surgeons, doctors, anaesthetists and nurses and all others on the front line, and also for chemists who work tirelessly in laboratories seeking cures for current and anticipated illnesses.

### Monday 18th - Saints known to us

Heavenly Father we remember those family and friends loved by us but have now gone. 'We remember them in the rising moon. We remember them in the mourning dove when the waters rush upon the shore. We remember them, singing ever more and they, too, shall live as they are woven into us.' Gone but never forgotten. Lord, I will not forget them.

### Tuesday 19th - Walking with Jesus

Jesus, walk with me today. Sometimes my days are easy, and some days are very difficult. So many expectations of myself. Lord, I need You by my side, to walk with me, to guide me and support me. And when the going gets too hard and I stumble and fall, I know you will carry me. Thank you for being my constant companion.



### Wednesday 20th - We pray for Tyne Valley Parish

Loving Father, we come today rejoicing in our unity and our diversity, celebrating the variety of talents, personalities and experiences that you have given us. Take all that we are, all that we have, and fashion us into your people, dedicated to your service, and your kingdom here in Tyne Valley Parish.

### Thursday 21st - Discipline

Father, you said in your Word, "the Lord disciplines those he loves" (Hebrews 12:6). Help me not to misunderstand your corrections as rejections. Help me oh Lord to endure through the times of discipline. Let my love for you not be questionable. Give me the grace to be confident to proclaim you are my God, my personal saviour and loving Lord.

### Friday 22nd - Thank you for Jesus

Heavenly Father we give thanks for Jesus Your Son and our Saviour. We thank you for His life here in earth, for what he said and did. We thank you for his death on the cross that on that day He took all our sins upon himself and washed us clean. We thank for His glorious resurrection and ascension. Father, your love has no boundaries and we thank you for Your love shown to us in Jesus.



### Saturday 23rd - Children with special needs

Lord, we pray for children with additional support needs that they will have access to services to help them cope and receive an effective education to equip them for later life. We further pray for their families worried about their futures. Lord, you alone can carry all these burdens.

### Sunday 24th - Geese

Lord, we hear the cry and we look up, and we marvel at the v-formed geese - step up, labour, fall back, rest - and we stop to be amazed. All around is Your glorious creation. Today I will stop, look around, absorb Your world into my very being. Father we give You thanks for Your wonderful world.

### Monday 25th - International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

Loving Father, we pray for women living in the shadow of violence around the world. Let them know Your love and their immense value in Your sight. Please use us to help free the oppressed and create a more just world.

### Tuesday 26th - Those with chronic illnesses

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7 We pray for all those suffering from chronic illness and for the people we may or may not know who are waiting for treatment for cancer. Waiting can be a time of stress and we pray for the comfort and peace of knowledge that God is with them. May we as friends and neighbours be open to support where we can. Please hold them in Your loving hands and bless them with Your loving care.

### Wednesday 27th - 4 weeks until Christmas

Heavenly Father, today we pray that this year the true spirit of Christmas cuts through present day commercialism, the tattered tinsel, the tacky carols and the mounds of presents. We remember when Jesus, Your Son, was born on earth. This was, and is, Your gift, Your present of love to all the world.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.



### Thursday 28th - Social Justice

"I know that the Lord secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy." Psalm 140:12 Lord, we pray for everyone who is struggling to make ends meet, and for those who are helping out by supporting Food Banks around the country. We pray that you will guide those in government to implement policies that will lead to a fairer society.



### Friday 29th - What can we do?

"If the war goes on and the daily bread is terror, and the voiceless poor take to the road as refugees; when a nation's pride destines millions to be homeless, who will heed their pleas?" Heavenly Father we raise to you in prayer the suffering peoples in your Holy Land. To those who are wounded, bring healing, to those who hunger, the nourishment they need; to those bewildered, give boundaries, a sense of direction, deep meaning.

### Saturday 30th - St Andrews Day

Andrew was the first to recognise and follow Jesus and one of the first to spread the good news, "the first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, we have found the Messiah." John 1:41. Lord God may we be like Andrew, to recognise Jesus, and not to hesitate but leave all and follow Him, to follow Him wherever He may go.



The November Prayer Diary has been written by Iain Luke's Home Group