



Diocesan Prayer Calendar

October 2026

People in Zimbabwe pray daily for us. Let us also pray for them daily. Pray for the people suffering hardship and hunger in Zimbabwe, and for our Link Dioceses: Bishop Ignatios in Central Zimbabwe, Bishop Erick in Manicaland, Bishop Cleophas in Matabeleland and Bishop Osiward in Masvingo; their clergy and people.

God Bless Zimbabwe, protect her children, transform her leaders, heal her communities and grant her peace, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

Black History Month

1 - 13 October

Southwark & Newington Deanery

Southwark & Newington Deanery serves one of the most vibrant and diverse areas of inner London. Its historic churches stand amid rapidly changing communities, bringing together long-established Black British families, recent migrants from across the world, young professionals drawn by our proximity to the City, a large international student population, and a nationally high proportion of LGBTQ+ residents. Our parishes reflect this rich mix as they share the gospel, nurture communities of prayer, and offer care and hope amid the opportunities and challenges of urban life.

1 October

Southwark & Newington Deanery

John Carruthers (Area Dean)

Akin Akinwunmi (Lay Chair)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bujumbura:
The Anglican Church of Burundi

2 October

St Michael & All Angels and All Souls w Emmanuel, Camberwell

Levi Santana (Vicar)

Desrene Swaby (PTO)

Keziah Ajero (Reader) (PTO)

ARK All Saints Academy

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bukavu:
Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

3 October

St Agnes, Kennington Park

Robert Wright (Vicar)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bukedi:
The Church of the Province of Uganda

4 October

18th Sunday after Trinity or Dedication

Feast of St Francis of Assisi

Animal Welfare Sunday

Season of Creation Ends

St Mary, Newington

Stuart Labran (Rector)
Ailsa Newby (PTO) (Canon)

Mothers' Union in Zimbabwe

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

5 October

St Paul, Newington

John Carruthers (Vicar) (Area Dean)
Wayne Barron (Assistant Curate)

St Paul's CoE (JM&I) school

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bukuru: The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

6 October

Christ Church, Southwark

Lee Chantler (Rector)
David JJ Evans (Assistant Curate) (Canon)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bunbury: The Anglican Church of Australia

7 October

Holy Trinity with St Matthew, Southwark

Hugo Adán Fernández (Rector)

St Saviour and St Olave's School (Girls)
London South Bank University

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bungoma: The Anglican Church of Kenya

8 October

St George the Martyr with St Alphege and St Jude, Southwark

Ben Bell (Rector)
Marieke Sybrandi (Assistant Curate)

St Jude's Primary School

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Bunyoro-Kitara: The Church of the Province of Uganda

9 October

Southwark Cathedral, Church of St Saviour and St Mary Overie

O Lord, giver of all grace, have mercy on the work of our Cathedral. Inspire its ministers, renew its life; sanctify its life; empower its witness and make it a fit instrument for the furtherance of your kingdom, to the glory of your great name. Amen

Mark Oakley (Dean)
Michael Rawson (Sub Dean & Canon Pastor)
Kathryn Fleming (Precentor)
Shannon Preston (Succentor)
Jeremy Clark-King (Canon Treasure & Director for Clergy Formation and DDO)
Wendy Robins (Canon Chancellor)
Will Cookson (Canon Missioner & Director of Mission & Dean of Pioneering Ministry & Fresh Expressions)
Roxanne Eversley (Dean of Cultural Diversity)
Caroline Clifford (Reader)(PTO)
Heather Boothe (SPA)

Pray for the team of volunteers who serve the Cathedral daily as chaplains, stewards and welcomers

Cathedral School of St Saviour and St Mary Overie (JM&I&N)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Busan:
The Anglican Church of Korea

10 October

St Hugh, Bermondsey (Con Dis)

Mary O'Neill (Reader)
Iris Tomlins (Reader) (PTO)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Busoga:
The Church of the Province of Uganda

11 October

19th Sunday after Trinity

Prison Week Begins

St Christopher, Walworth (Pembroke College Mission)

Ellen Eames (Vicar) (Warden)
Alex Garziglia (Assistant Curate)
Charles Turner (Reader) (PTO)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Anglican Church of Burundi

12 October

St Peter, Walworth

Andrew Mumby (Rector)
Doris Barrera (Assistant Curate)
Alan Wild (PTO) (Canon)
Beryl Anstee (SPA)
Donna Grant (SPA)

Pray for all to be Admitted, Licensed and Commissioned to Lay Ministries
InSpire
St Peter's CoE Primary School

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Central Busoga:
The Church of the Province of Uganda

13 October

St John, Walworth

Ben Vertannes (Priest in Charge)
Gillian Manock (CPLM)
Ola Crown (PTO)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Butare: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

14 October

Pray for those responsible for the education and moral welfare of young people

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Butere:
The Anglican Church of Kenya

15 - 26 October

Croydon North Deanery

Our Deanery of Croydon North is a richly diverse, densely populated and fast-changing place to live, full of opportunities as well as challenges.

15 October

Croydon North Deanery

Joyce Forbes (Area Dean)
Tomos Reed (Assistant Area Dean)
John Stevens (Lay Chair)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Buye:
The Anglican Church of Burundi

16 October

St Luke, Woodside

Samuel Dennis (Vicar)

Pray for St Luke's Healthcare for the Clergy

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Byumba: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

17 October

Holy Saviour, Croydon

Tomos Reed (Vicar) (Asst. Area Dean)
James Lewis (Reader)
Mitzi Isaacs (CPLM)
Marie Williams (CPLM)

Croydon University Hospital:
Andy Dovey (Lead Chaplain)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Calabar - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

18 October

20th Sunday after Trinity

St Luke the Evangelist

St Oswald, Norbury

Vacancy (Vicar)
Leonora Davies (Reader) (PTO)
Marcia Grant-Che (Reader)
Indra Christ (CPLM)
Bevon West (CPLM)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of The Anglican Church of Canada

19 October

St Philip, Norbury

Cordella Dawson (Vicar)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Calcutta: The Church of North India (United)

20 October

St Stephen, Norbury and Thornton Heath

Daniel Burton (Vicar)
Joyce Forbes (PTO) (Canon)
Aileen Ross (CPML)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Caledonia: The Anglican Church of Canada

21 October

St Alban The Martyr, South Norwood

Sean Gilbert (Vicar)
Dayo Olomu (Reader)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Calgary: The Anglican Church of Canada

22 October

Holy Innocents and St Mark, South Norwood

Jessie Daniels White (Vicar)
Susan Wheeler-Kiley (PTO)

St Mark

Cicelyn Hindes (Reader) (PTO)

St Mark's School

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of California: The Episcopal Church

23 October

St Jude with St Aidan, Thornton Heath

Vacancy (Vicar)

Pray for the Bishops, priests and people of the Diocese of Northern California: The Episcopal Church

24 October

St Paul, Thornton Heath

Solomon Ekiyor (Priest in Charge)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Cameroon - The Church of the Province of West Africa

25 October

The Last Sunday after Trinity or Dedication

Bible Sunday

All Saints with St Margaret, Upper Norwood

Antonio Garcia Fuerte (Vicar)

Jonathan Fox (Assistant Curate)

Miguel Angel Pino Moyano (Asst. Curate)

Alice Hole (PTO)

All Saints CofE Primary School Croydon

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of The Church of the Province of Central Africa

26 October

St John the Evangelist, Upper Norwood

John Pritchard (Vicar)

Rachel Gledhill (Assistant Curate)

Archie Warsap (Assistant Curate)

Robert Barber (Reader)

Danny Simpson (CPLM)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of El Camino Real: The Episcopal Church

27 October

Pray for Ministry amongst Deaf People

Penelope Beschizza

(Diocesan contact for Sign Church)

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Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn:

The Anglican Church of Australia

28 October

Simon and Jude Apostles

Pray for Ministry in Prisons

Tim Bryan (Bishop's Adviser for Prison Chaplaincy) (Canon)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Canterbury: The Church of England

29 October

Pray for the Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation Team

Natalie Walters (Head of JPIC)

Reg Amoah (Racial Justice Training and Resources Officer)

Weisi Dennis (Racial Justice Development Officer)

Magdalena Staron (Mission and JPIC Team Administrator)

Jonathan Macy, Beth Lewis and Cécile Schnyder (Diocesan Disability Advisers)

Sophie Roberts (Diocesan Environment Officer)

Joanna Cox (Chair of SAGE)

Chris Elliott and Jennifer Hyde (Modern Day Slavery Advisers)

Jason O'Shea (Serious Youth Violence Engagement Officer)

Nicole McKeever (Development Officer - Social Action)

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Cape Coast: The Church of the Province of West Africa

30 October

Pray for the silent majority ever seeking peace in an unruly world

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of Cape Town:
The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

31 October

Pray for all who have been recently or are preparing to be baptised or confirmed

Pray for the Bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba: The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Notes on the Prayer Calendar

We do our best to make sure that all the information in this Prayer Calendar is accurate - however, we sometimes make mistakes, and we're really sorry for that.

For questions about the design of the Calendar, please email the Communications Team via communications@southwark.anglican.org