

Welcome to **S+LUKE'S** CROSBY

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- share - serve
- love - worship*

John 15.8 "My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples".

Prayer Diary November 2023

Please pray for ... Frances Hargreaves, Shirley Sutcliffe 's dad, Judith Page, Agnes Terry, Amanda, Pauline & Bob Lea, Peter Dobson, Lyndsey Moore, Glenys Linford, Alejandro and Doris Mesco, Dave Rogers, Peter Wilson (Jan's husband), Lisa (friend of Bev Seel), Peter Gilroy, Karen Boyd, Paul, Joe, Robert, Kenneth Harrison (Chris Parson's Brother in Law), Vicky Sutton, Mike, Owen, Ann Causer, June (Angelina's mum), Jackie (friend of Margaret Quayle), Dave Markham, Daniel Watson McCabe, Viv Pierce, Stan Roberts, Marg Houghton.

*Please pray for ...*the people of Ukraine as the conflict continues, pray for a de-escalation of the conflict between both sides and for peace.

A Prayer for the Middle East

O God of all

Of Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Isaac, and Ishmael:

Our hearts are broken in pieces at the suffering and murder of your people.

Our voices cry for peace and for justice.

Comfort those who grieve,

Console and heal the injured,

Be close to those in fear,

Restrain with your mighty hand those who perpetrate violence.

Send us your wisdom in all that we say and do,

That our voice may always seek justice, peace and security for all.

Amen.

(Revd Peter Colwell, Deputy General Secretary, Churches Together in Britain and Ireland)

Wed 1st All Saints Day "Lord God, as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Thurs 2nd... Keystone meeting this morning, and the Way Youth Club meeting this evening.

Fri 3rd... Knifty Knitters & Sewing Group meeting today.

Sat 4th... GroundForce meeting today. For God's protection on all who work and volunteer at the premises of St Luke's. Pray also for God's protection for the grounds and buildings at St Luke's.

Sun 5th... all who work for the Emergency services: Police, Fire Brigade, Paramedics in the Ambulance service.

Mon 6th... those needing to use Foodbanks, that each person would feel valued and cared for as well as receiving the food and support they need. Pray for the volunteers; that God would strengthen them, protect them, energise them, and use them to impact lives with love, kindness, and compassion.

Tues 7th...Living with Loss group, Pram Club, Uniformed organisations meeting at St Luke's premises today. Lakeside meeting this evening.

Weds 8th...Holy Communion Service at St Luke's this morning. Hot Chocolate Youth group meeting this afternoon at St Luke's.

Thurs 9th... all who are serving in our armed forces, RAF, Royal Navy & Army. For those on active service, for all those who face danger so that others might live in safety.

Fri 10th... those Charities who support Service Personnel and Veterans including those who are sick and injured. Pray for all involved in "Help the Heroes" "Combat stress" "SSAFA" and other organisations, pray for those who along with their loved ones receive loving practical support, Pray also for those suffering with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. For renewal and restoration, for healing of mind, body, and spirit

Sat 11th... **Armistice Day** "O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know. Grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen" *C of E prayer.*

Sun 12th... Remembrance Sunday “as we reflect today on the horrors of the past, Lord, where pain still overwhelms, bring healing. Where hearts are still breaking, bring comfort. Where peoples are still oppressed, and lives are crushed bring liberation and hope. Where war still devastates, bring peace; in the name of Jesus Christ the peace of the world, today, tomorrow, and forever.” Amen

Mon 13th ... Crafty Ladies meeting today.

Tues 14th... Church small groups; members and leaders; that meetings would be environments of encouragement, and that God will reveal small-group members' spiritual gifts and create opportunities for those gifts to be used to honour him and serve the groups.

Weds 15th ... groups meeting at St Luke’s premises today; Falls Prevention, St Luke’s players. Pray also for the PCC meeting this evening.

Thurs 16th... Ecumenical Prayer meeting at St Luke’s this morning.

Fri 17th... for all at our local schools, including St Luke’s Halsall school; pray for the children, staff, and volunteers, parents, and School Governors.

Sat 18th ...for those who are victims of human trafficking, pray for those who have been rescued that they feel safe, and are protected from harm, pray for those investigate and prosecute human traffickers; pray for courage and perseverance.

Sun 19th ... Archbishops Justin Welby and Stephen Cottrell. Clergy and ministers in Liverpool Diocese for Bishop John, Bishop Bev, for Dean Sue, the Archdeacons, and all Cathedral clergy, for Anne Taylor our Area Dean, for Amanda and all local clergy, chaplains, and lay minsters and all in training.

Mon 20th... **World Children’s Day** pray for the 250 million children around the world living in places directly affected by conflict, that they might find safety and security. Pray for the end of violence, war, and conflict and for God to protect children from harm, pain and discouragement and instead fill them with hope, joy and love.

Tues 21st... those living with long term illnesses. For those suffering with chronic pain, pray for God’s healing touch on their lives.

Weds 22nd... all scientists and doctors involved in medical research; for those involved in cancer research.

Thurs 23rd... our local Councillors and MPs, for the PM and government and all in positions of responsibility; that they make wise decisions for the good of their local constituents and the country.

Fri 24th... Thornton & Crosby Gardeners Club meeting this evening. Pray for all who dig and plant, cultivate and care for gardens, pray that we would be faithful stewards, creating places of beauty and peace.

Sat 25th... all who find themselves without a home. Pray for those charities working to support them and provide friendship, food, and shelter. For those who sell the Big Issue to help make a living

Sun 26th all involved in our Sunday services each week; for those who lead and preach, for our musicians, Church wardens, sidespeople, and all who help with the AV, Live-streaming, refreshments, and many other tasks.

Mon 27th.... those who are displaced, for all who have fled for their lives and are far from their homes, for those who are escaping persecution and conflict, having fled death, torture or ruthless exploitation and longing for a place to call home, pray for peace in the homeland of refugees fleeing conflict.

Tue 28th ... for Crossroads Trustees, the managers and team of volunteers. Pray for Storyhouse café and team. For all local business owners where you live and shop, for all who are self-employed. For the people and places where you live, work, and spend your leisure time.

Weds 29th... people around the world who are persecuted for their Christian faith and are currently in prison or under house-arrest, may God's love surround them.

Thurs 30th... Prayers from A Rocha for COP 28 (30/11/23-12/12/23)- As world leaders come together to tackle the climate crisis at COP28, pray for courageous leadership and renewed collaboration. Pray for bold commitments and new financial ones that will fast track a just transition to a greener future for all. Please pray for the countries who are experiencing the worst effects of climate breakdown. Pray for those living through wildfires, flooding, earthquakes, and other extreme weather events.