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ABBREVIATIONS:

A Assistant Clergy; AAD Assistant Area Dean; AC Associate Priest/Minister; AD Area Dean; AM Assistant Minister, AR Associate Rector; AV Associate Vicar; AYO Area Youth Officer, BMO Bishop's Mission Order; BP Bishop; CA Church Army; CIC Curate in Charge; CHP Chaplain; EHT Executive Head Teacher; EVN Evangelist; HoS Head of School; HT Head Teacher; LLM Licensed Lay Minister; MCD Minister of Conventional District; MIC Minister in Charge; PEV Provincial Episcopal Visitor; PIC Priest in Charge; PP Public Preacher; R Rector; RD Rural Dean; Rdes Rector designate; RDR Reader; PTO Permission to Officiate; RES Residentiary Canon; Sr Sister, TM Team Ministry; TR Team Rector; TV Team Vicar; V Vicar; Vdes Vicar designate; WDN Warden.

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Diocese of Chelmsford

Cycle of Prayer

for daily use in

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Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10

Fri 1

Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916
Today is World Aids Day

The Deanery of Dunmow & Stansted

Area Dean: Cilla Hawkes. Lay Chair: Belle Beszant.

Chaplain: Robert Burles (London Stansted Airport). Reader: Joanna Pratt.

Pray for the Chaplaincy at London Stansted Airport and all who work there.

The Diocese of Wau (Bahr El Ghazal, Sudan)

Sat 2

Advent begins tomorrow – a season of amazing overlapping themes: the coming of Christ at the end of the world; the coming of Christ in his ministry of teaching and healing; and towards the end of the season the coming of Christ at Bethlehem. Advent is very different from Lent. Lent is about penitence and prayer. Advent is about waiting in hope and expectation. One great teacher of prayer says that the great word for this season in our prayers should be “Maranatha” (1 Corinthians 16.22) and Aramaic word that means either “Come, Lord!” or “Our Lord has come” – both beautifully summing up the dynamic of this season.

The Diocese of Wellington (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia)

Sun 3

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness.

PRAY for the Diocese of West Buganda (Uganda)

Mon 4

John of Damascus, Monk, Teacher of the Faith, c. 749

Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, Founder of the Little Gidding Community, 1637

The South Rodings: Abbess Roding (St Edmund), Beauchamp Roding (St Botolph), White Roding (St Martin), Leaden Roding (St Michael)
Clergy: Vacancy (PIC).

Felsted (Holy Cross) and Little Dunmow (St Mary the Virgin)

Clergy: Colin Taylor (V). Reader: Joanna Pratt.

Felsted School: Nigel Little (CHP)

The Most Revd Ng Moon Hing, Archbishop of South East Asia and Bishop of West Malaysia

Tue 5	<p>Broxted w Chickney (St Mary Vn) and Tilty (St Mary Vn) and Great Easton (St John & St Giles) and Little Easton Clergy: Tim Goodbody (PIC), Susan Hurley (A), Janet Parker (A). Great Easton School: Claire Jackman (HT).</p> <p>Great Bardfield (St Mary Vn) and Little Bardfield (St Katharine) Clergy: Robert Beaken (PIC).</p> <p><i>The Diocese of Leeds (York)</i></p>
Wed 6	<p>Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c.326 Great Dunmow (St Mary Vn) w Barnston (St Andrew) Clergy: Ruth Patten (PIC), Lea Williams (A). LLM: Nigel Warren. St Mary's Primary School: Clare Griffiths (HT).</p> <p>Great Canfield (St Mary Vn) w High Roding (All Saints) and Aythorpe Roding (St Mary Vn): ALSO High Easter (St Mary Vn) and Good Easter (St Andrew) w Margaret Roding (St Margaret of Antioch) Clergy: Vacancy (PIC).</p> <p><i>The Diocese of Western Izon (Bendel, Nigeria)</i></p>
Thu 7	<p>Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397 Stebbing (St Mary Vn) & Lindsell (St Mary Vn) w Great Saling (St James) and Little (Bardfield) Saling (St Peter & St Paul) Clergy: Tim Goodbody (PIC), Cilla Hawkes (AD, AC), Helen Pelly (AC), Susan Hurley (A). LLM: Paul Green.</p> <p>Takeley (Holy Trinity) w Little Canfield (All Saints) Clergy: Rob Burles (PIC). LLM: Hugh Mascetti.</p> <p><i>The Diocese of Western Massachusetts (Province 1 The Episcopal Church)</i></p>
Fri 8	<p>THE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Stansted Mountfitchet (St John) w Birchanger (St Mary Vn) & Farnham (St Mary Vn) Clergy: Paul Wilkin (R). St Mary's School, Stansted: Christine Tonkins (HT).</p> <p>The Retired clergy, Readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Dunmow and Stansted.</p> <p><i>The Diocese of Western Michigan (Province V, The Episcopal Church)</i></p>
Sat 9	<p>One of today's readings tells us that "when he saw the crowds, Jesus had compassion for them, for they were harassed and helpless..." (Matthew 9.36). Mercy, compassion, loving kindness – these words are at the core of Jesus' ministry, and form a constant theme throughout the Bible: the Hebrew word "hesed"; the Greek word eleos (as in "Kyrie eleison"); the Latin word "Misericordia". Mercy is not soft pedalling the Gospel – mercy IS the mission of the church.</p> <p><i>The Diocese of Western Newfoundland (Canada)</i></p>

Fri 26	<p>Timothy and Titus, Companions of Paul Waltham Abbey TM: Waltham Abbey (Holy Cross & St Lawrence), High Beach (Holy Innocents), Upshire (St Thomas) & Ninefields (St Lawrence) Clergy: Peter Smith (TR), Trevor Scott (AC), Joyce Smith, (AD, AC), Jane Begley (A), Alexandra Guest (A). High Beech School: Sarah Roffey (HT). Hillhouse School: Jo Willcox (HT).</p>
Sat 27	<p>Holocaust Memorial Day Tomorrow – or next Tuesday – churches are celebrating Candlemas, the last day of the Christmas / Epiphany cycle. No one really knows where the candles come in – though blessing candles was traditional on the day in many church traditions. But the heart of the celebration is Jesus being presented in the temple by his parents and being welcomed by Simeon and Anna – in Simeon's great words, Jesus is a light to enlighten all the peoples of the earth, and that is God's mission through his church today.</p>
Sun 28	<p>THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY) O God, who in the work of creation commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may shine into the hearts of all your people, dispelling the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, and revealing to them the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.</p>
Mon 29	<p>Loughton (St Michael & All Angels) Clergy: Nina Coulthard (V); Lorraine Smart (A), Elizabeth Price (A).</p>
Tue 30	<p>Charles, King and Martyr, 1649 Blackmore (St Laurence) w Stondon Massey (St Peter and St Paul) Clergy: Sam Brazier-Gibbs (V), Stewart Gibbs (AC). Reader: Anthea Gray.</p>
Wed 31	<p>John Bosco, Priest, Founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888 Chipping Ongar (St Martin) w Shelley (St Peter); Greensted juxta Ongar (St Andrew); Stanford Rivers (St Margaret) Clergy: Noelle Taylor (R), Neil Taylor (AC), Jane Quinton (A).</p>

Fri 19	<p>Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095 Epping District TM: Epping (St John), Epping Upland (All Saints), Coopersale (St Alban) Clergy: Lee Batson (TR). LLM: Marjorie Austin, Diana Lowry. Reader: Bob Taylor. St John's Comprehensive School: Allan Osborne (HT). Epping Upland School: Sarah Hurwood (HT). Coopersale & Theydon Garnon School: Terena Moreton (HT).</p>
Sat 20	<p>Richard Rolle of Hampole, Spiritual Writer, 1349 Richard Rolle is one of the four great Christian writers of the 14th century in England (along with Walter Hilton, Julian of Norwich and the author of the Cloud of Knowing). In the middle of a world that was falling apart they all stressed the need for each Christian to take responsibility for their journey with God, always going deeper in silence and prayer. Richard made it quite clear that this call was for everyone, lay or ordained. But – following the teaching of Jesus – he challenged completely the idea that wealth and power could be part of the life of any Christian.</p>
Sun 21	<p>THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY Please pray for the Spiritual Direction Co-ordinating Group and all who minister within it.</p>
Mon 22	<p>Vincent of Saragossa, Deacon, Martyr, 304 Lambourne (St Mary & All Saints) w Abridge (Holy Trinity) and Stapleford Abbots (St Mary Vn) Clergy: Roger Gayler (PIC).</p>
Tue 23	<p>Loughton (St John the Baptist, St Nicholas, Trinity Church) Clergy: Christopher Davies (R), Richard Fisher (AC) Barbara Read (A).</p>
Wed 24	<p>Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622 Loughton (St Mary Vn) Clergy: Malcolm Macdonald (V), Sam Pollard (AC), Lydia Petitt (A). Readers: Pat Laker, Brenda Miller.</p>
Thu 25	<p>THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL The Theydon Parishes: Theydon Bois (St Mary Vn), Theydon Garnon (All Saints), Stapleford Tawney St Mary the Virgin w Theydon Mount St Michael Clergy: John Fry (V). LLM: Martyn Lockwood.</p>

Sun 10	<p>THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Pray for all who work in radio or television, the work of Premier Radio, and all stations relating to the Diocese. <i>PRAY for the Diocese of Western North Carolina (Province IV, The Episcopal Church)</i></p>
Mon 11	<p>The Deanery of Harwich Area Dean: Simon Heron. Lay Chair: John Baker. Gillian Moore (CHP, St Helena Hospice). <i>The Diocese of Wiawso (Ghana, West Africa)</i></p>
Tue 12	<p>Dedham (St Mary Virgin) Clergy: Antony Wilson (PIC). Dedham School: James Aylott (HT). Harwich Peninsula Team Ministry: Dovercourt (All Saints) & Parkeston (St Paul), Harwich (St Nicholas), Ramsey (St Michael) w Little Oakley (St Mary Vn) Clergy: Margaret Shaw (TR), Rosie Tallowin (TV), Sam Winney (AC). LLM: Sioux Thorpe. All Saints School, Dovercourt: Mark Millbourne (HT). Two Village School, Ramsey/Little Oakley: Natasha Bennett (HT). <i>The Diocese of Willochra (South Australia)</i></p>
Wed 13	<p>Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304 Samuel Johnson, Moralist, 1784 Ember Day Ardleigh (St Mary Vn) and The Bromleys (St George, St Mary Vn) Clergy: Vacancy (R), Simon Heron (A) Antony Wilson (A). St Mary's School, Ardleigh: Donna Parker (HT). St George's School, Great Bromley: Rebecca Keitch (HT). Great Oakley (All Saints) w Wix (St Mary) & Wrabness (All Saints) Clergy: Liz Barnes (PIC), Laura Garnham (A). All Saints School, Great Oakley: Jane Simmons (HT). <i>The Diocese of Windward Islands (West Indies)</i></p>
Thu 14	<p>John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591 Lawford (St Mary) Clergy: Simon Heron (PIC), Gillian Moore (AC), Sally Morris (AC). Lawford School: Donna Wenden (HT). Mistley w Manningtree (St Mary and St Michael) w Bradfield (St Lawrence) Clergy: Dominic Turner (PIC), John Brien (AC), Claire Scargill (A). Reader: Stacie Withers. Mistley Norman School: Karen Jones (HT). <i>The Diocese of Wondurba (Loryko, Sudan)</i></p>

Fri 15	<p>Ember Day Tendring (St Edmund) and Little Bentley (St Mary Vn) w Beaumont-cum-Moze (St Leonard) Clergy: Vacancy (PIC), Liz Barnes (A), Simon Heron (A). The retired clergy, Readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Harwich <i>The Diocese of Wyoming (Province VI, The Episcopal Church)</i></p>
Sat 16	<p>Ember Day Tomorrow – or in the Book of Common Prayer today – has an unusual name: “O Sapientia” – “O Wisdom!” It comes from a series of short songs that are sometimes sung in these coming days at Evening Prayer (you can find them in many hymn books in the hymn “O come, o come, Emmanuel”). These are songs of longing, hope and yearning as we walk the last days to Christmas – an invitation to each of us to make space in our busy preparations for the Lord of our lives to renew his presence in us. <i>The Diocese of Wusasa (Kaduna, Nigeria)</i></p>
Sun 17	<p>THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Pray for the Church of England Guild of Vergers and give thanks for the work and devotion of the men and women who carry out this important task. <i>The Diocese of Wyoming (Province VI, The Episcopal Church)</i></p>
Mon 18	<p>The Deanery of Saffron Walden Area Dean: David Tomlinson. Lay Chair: Graham Cook. Assistant Area Dean: Margaret Davis. Bishop’s Advisor on Women’s Ministry: Jenny Tomlinson. <i>The Diocese of Yambio (Minye, Sudan)</i></p>
Tue 19	<p>Icknield Way Villages: Great Chishill (St Swithun), Little Chishill (St Nicholas), Chrishall (Holy Trinity), Elmton (St Nicholas), Stretthall (St Mary Vn), Heydon (Holy Trinity), Duddenhoe End (The Hamlet Church) Clergy: Anand Sodadasi (R). Chrishall School: Tracey Bartley (HT). <i>The Most Revd Stephen than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar</i></p>
Wed 20	<p>Saffron Walden and Villages Team Ministry: Saffron Walden, Wendons Ambo (St Mary Vn), Littlebury (Holy Trinity), Ashdon (All Saints), Hadstock (St Botolph), Debden (St Mary Vn), Wimbish w Thunderley (All Saints), Great Chesterford (All Saints), Little Chesterford (St Mary Vn) Clergy: David Tomlinson (AD,TR), Richard Spencer (TV), Paula Griffiths, Tim Hardingham, Jenny Tomlinson (AC), Rachel Prior, John Saxon (A). LLM: Marisa Baltrock, Tracey Nicholls. Reader: Graham Davies. St Mary’s School, Saffron Walden: Karen Cayford (HT). Debden School: Louise Gurney (HT). Great Chesterford Primary Academy: Sarah Mitchell (HT). <i>The Diocese of Yei (Loryko, Sudan)</i></p>

Sat 13	<p>Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith, 367 Kentigern (Mungo), Missionary Bishop in Strathclyde and Cumbria, 603 George Fox, Founder of the Society of Friends, 1691 George Fox founded the Quakers – they got their name because a magistrate in Derby upbraided Fox for “quaking” in court. He was a powerful figure of the “radical” reformation stressing the need for personal commitment and regularly being imprisoned for his attacks on the Church of England. He taught a deeply contemplative way of prayer. Although many Quakers today do not want to call themselves Christian, George Fox’s faith is rooted in the Gospel and in the person of Jesus, with a message for Christians of all traditions today.</p>
Sun 14	<p>THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY Pray for the Proctors and Laity of our Diocese who are members of the General Synod, that they may be filled with the wisdom and love of the Holy Spirit.</p>
Mon 15	<p>Barking (St Patrick) Clergy: Graham Dowling (V). LLM: Matthew Harding. Reader: Marco Filipe Lopes. Thames View (Christ Church) Clergy: Vacancy. The retired clergy, Readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Barking.</p>
Tue 16	<p>The Deanery of Epping Forest and Ongar Area Dean: Joyce Smith. Lay Chair: Martyn Lockwood. Assistant Area Deans: Malcolm Macdonald, Peter Smith.</p>
Wed 17	<p>Antony of Egypt, Hermit, Abbot, 356 Charles Gore, Bishop, Founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932 Buckhurst Hill (St John, St Stephen, St Elisabeth) Clergy: Ian Farley (TR), Sarah Guinness (A). Reader: Steve Bacon. St John’s School: Peter Tidmarsh (HT).</p>
Thu 18	<p>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins Amy Carmichael, Founder of the Dohnavur Fellowship, Spiritual Writer, 1951 Chigwell and Chigwell Row TM: Chigwell (St Mary) Chigwell (St Winifred), Chigwell Row (All Saints) Clergy: Ben King (TR), Paula Preston (TV), Elise Peterson (A). Chigwell School: Simon Paul (CHP).</p>

Sat 6	<p>THE EPIPHANY The feast of the Epiphany is a kind of re-run of Christmas and in many Christian churches is seen as more important than Christmas because it is all about Jesus, the saviour of the world, being made known to the peoples of the world. Three themes dominate Epiphany: the pagan Magi coming to worship him; his baptism by John in the Jordan; his first miracle at Cana in Galilee, turning water into wine – these extraordinary signs showing that God has come among us in Jesus Christ that the world might be saved through him (John 3.17).</p>
Sun 7	<p>THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST (THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY) Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your beloved Son; grant that we who are baptised into his name may give up our lives to your service, and be found worthy of our calling.</p>
Mon 8	<p>Becontree (St Thomas) Clergy: Gemma Stock (V), Carol Newnham (A). Becontree (St Mary, Hartley Brook Church) Clergy: Vacancy (V). Reader: Cliff McLeod.</p>
Tue 9	<p>Chadwell Heath (St Chad) Clergy: Martin Court (V); Christine Harding (AC), Chika Nduku (A).</p>
Wed 10	<p>William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645 Dagenham (St Peter and St Paul) Clergy: Joel Edwards (PIC). Reader: Kathy Playle. William Ford Junior School: Richard Hopkins (HT). Dagenham Park CE School: Simon Weaver (HT).</p>
Thu 11	<p>Mary Slessor, Missionary in West Africa, 1915 Becontree (St George) Clergy: Simon Smallwood (V). Marks Gate (St Mark) Clergy: Timothy Brampton (PIC).</p>
Fri 12	<p>Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167 Benedict Biscop, Abbot of Wearmouth, Scholar, 689 Barking (St Margaret) Clergy: Rt Revd Dr Trevor Mwamba (TR) (Assistant Bishop); Elwon John (AC). St Margaret's School: Ruth Ejvet (HT). George Carey Primary School: Christopher Harrison (HT).</p>

Thu 21	<p>Thaxed (St John and St Laurence). Clergy: Philip Tarris (R), Christopher Brown (AC). Reader: Adrian Wright. The Sampfords (St Mary Virgin, St Michael) and Radwinter (St Mary Virgin) with Hempstead (St Andrew) Clergy: Philip Tarris (R), Christopher Brown (AC). Radclyffe School: Linda Todd (HT). <i>The Diocese of Yewa [form. Egbado] (Lagos, Nigeria)</i></p>
Fri 22	<p>Clavering (St Mary & St Clement) and Langley (St John Evn) w Arkesden (St Mary Vn) and Wicken Bonhunt (St Margaret); Manuden (St Mary Vn) and Berden (St Nicholas). Clergy: Margaret Davies (V). Henham (St Mary Vn) and Elsenham (St Mary Vn) w Ugley (St Peter). Clergy: Gary Townsend (V), Gary Tubbs (AC). Elsenham School: Linda Reid (HT). <i>The Diocese of Yirol (Bahr El Ghazal, Sudan)</i></p>
Sat 23	<p>We are nearly at Christmas Eve and the unfolding narrative of God becoming one of us in Christ Jesus so that we might become one with him – songs of angels calling us to the cradle to see the wonder of Christ's poverty, and the helplessness of God which turns out to be the only way God saves us, his strength in our weakness. <i>The Diocese of Yokohama (Japan)</i></p>
Sun 24	<p>THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: CHRISTMAS EVE Please pray for the members of the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary, and the Company of Servers, and all people who serve Christ at the altar. <i>PRAY for the Diocese of Yola (Jos, Nigeria)</i></p>
Mon 25	<p>CHRISTMAS DAY - NATIVITY OF OUR LORD To us a child is born, to us a son is given, and his name will be called the Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6) <i>The Diocese of York (England)</i></p>
Tue 26	<p>STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR Newport (St Mary Vn) w Widdington (St Mary Vn), Quendon (St Simon & St Jude) w Rickling (All Saints) Clergy: Neil McLeod (V). LLM: Andrea Harrison. Rickling School: Allan Gardiner (HT). The retired clergy, Readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Saffron Walden. <i>The Diocese of Ysabel (Melanesia)</i></p>

Wed 27 **ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST**
The Deanery of St Osyth
Area Dean: Pauline Scott. Lay Chair: Wendy King
Alresford (St Andrew) and Frating w Thorrington (St Mary), Elmstead (St Anne and St Laurence).
Clergy: Pauline Scott (AD, R), Pauline Hart (A). Reader: John Harper.
Brightlingsea (All Saints w St James). Clergy: Vacancy (PIC)
LLM: Catherine Graham.
Clacton (St James). Clergy: Vacancy (V).
Clacton (St Paul). Clergy: David Lower (PIC).
The Diocese of Yukon (British Columbia & the Yukon, Canada)

Thu 28 **THE HOLY INNOCENTS**
Frinton (St Mary Magdalene). Clergy: Don Smith (R). LLM: Maggie Wilson.
Great Clacton (St John the Baptist)
Clergy: Vacancy (V), Mark Mulryne (AC), Phillip Sacre (A).
Readers: Mary Grint, Sheila Neale, Robin Whitworth, Ruth Whitworth.
Great Clacton C of E Junior School: Alison Syred-Paul (HT).
Holland-on-Sea (St Bartholomew)
Clergy: Vacancy (PIC), David Lower (AC), Susan Wiggins (A).
Ti Alan Chase (Lay Missioner).
Kirby-Le-Soken (St Michael), Great Holland (All Saints)
Clergy: Mark Holdaway (R)
The Diocese of Zaki-Biam (Abuja, Nigeria)

Fri 29 St Osyth (St Peter & St Paul), Great Bentley (St Mary Vn)
Sharon Miles (V). Reader: Wendy King.
Thorpe-le-Soken (St Michael) Clergy: Jeremy Dowding (PIC).
Rolph School: Stephanie Newland/Lorraine Ratcliffe (HT).
Walton-le-Soken (All Saints) Clergy: Peter Edwards (R).
Weeley (St Andrew) w Little Clacton (St James) Clergy: Jeremy Dowding (PIC).
St Andrew's School: Lisa Finch/Lorraine Ratcliffe (HT).
The retired clergy, readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of St Osyth.
The Diocese of Zanzibar (Tanzania)

Sat 30 **Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170**
Tomorrow – the Sunday after Christmas – often feels like an optional extra, especially after all the family celebrations, the journeys, and New Year on the horizon. But the Sunday after Christmas, with its special readings and prayers, encourages us not to stay by the crib, not to look inwards, but to get on our feet and go. God has a mission, and has shown us the shape of that in Jesus. Now it's our turn to respond.
The Dioceses of Zaria (Kaduna, Nigeria) and Zonkwa (Abuja, Nigeria)

Sun 31 **THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS**
Pray for the staff of the Cathedral, the events to be held there and for all those who will visit during the coming year. Give thanks, too, for all who generously give of their time as volunteers.
PRAY for the Diocese of Zululand (Southern Africa)

JANUARY 2018

Mon 1 **THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS**
Please pray for Bishop Stephen Cottrell; for the Area Bishops – Peter Hill and Roger Morris; the Assistant Bishop and PEV – Norman Banks; the Assistant Bishops - Trevor Mwamba and Roderick Thomas; the Honorary Assistant Bishop – Derek Bond; and for their families.

Tue 2 **Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389**
Seraphim, Monk of Sarov, Spiritual Guide, 1833
Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, Bishop in Southern India, Evangelist, 1945
BARKING EPISCOPAL AREA
Peter Hill, Area Bishop; Archdeacons Elwin Cockett (West Ham), Vanessa Herrick (Harlow) and John Perumbalath (Barking); and all the members of the Barking Area Team.

Wed 3 **The Deanery of Barking and Dagenham**
Area Dean: Martin Court.
Lay Chair: Dean Gillespie.
Assistant Area Dean: Graham Dowling.
Chaplains: Mirabai Swingler and Anthony Rablen (North East London Foundation NHS Trust).

Thu 4 Barking (St Erkenwald)
Clergy: Young Lee (PIC).
Becontree South TM (St Alban, St Martin, St John the Divine)
Clergy: Vacancy (TR), Mark Blakely (A), Raymond Descombes (A).

Fri 5 Becontree St Cedd
Clergy: Tony Rablen (V), Ruth Dowley (A).
Becontree (St Elisabeth)
Clergy: Steven Hanna (V).
