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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; EVN Evangelist; 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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Chelmsford Diocese Prayer Diary

Sun 1 World Aids Day**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

“Keep us, O Lord, while we tarry on this earth, in a serious seeking after thee, and in an affectionate walking with thee, every day of our lives; that when thou comest, we may be found not hiding our talent, nor serving the flesh, nor yet asleep with our lamp unfurnished, but waiting and longing for our Lord, our glorious King, for ever and ever.” Richard Baxter (1615-91)

Pray for: Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Mon 2 Pray for: The Deanery of Dunmow & Stansted

Area Dean: Thomas Warmington. Lay Chair: Allison Ward.

Pray for: The Diocese of Kitale – The Anglican Church of Kenya

Tue 3 Calendar of Saints: Francis Xavier, Missionary, Apostle of the Indies, 1552

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

Clergy: Colin Taylor (V), Licensed Lay Minister: Joanna Pratt.

Felsted School: Nigel Little (CHP)

Pray for: The Diocese of Kiteto – The Anglican Church of Tanzania

**Wed 4 Calendar of Saints: John of Damascus, Monk, Teacher of the Faith, c. 749
Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, Founder of the Little Gidding Community, 1637**

Pray for: Broxton w Chickney (St Mary Vn) and Tilty (St Mary Vn) and Great Easton (St John & St Giles) and Little Easton

Clergy: Susan Hurley (PIC), Josephine Wood (A).

Great Easton School: Claire Jackman (HT).

Pray for: The Diocese of Kitgum – The Church of the Province of Uganda

Thu 5 Pray for: Great Dunmow (St Mary Vn) w Barnston (St Andrew)

Clergy: Thomas Warmington (PIC), Elsie Bouffler (AC).

Dunmow St Mary's CE Primary School: Clare Charter (HT).

Pray for: The Diocese of Kitui – The Anglican Church of Kenya

Mon 24 Pray for: Canning Town (St Matthias)
Clergy Amy Stott (PIC), Raquel Moreira (A).

Plaistow (St Martin) Clergy: Saulo de Barros (Lead Minister)

Pray for: The Diocese of Madras – The Church of South India (United)

Tue 25 Pray for: Plaistow (St Philip, St James, St Mary)
Clergy: Emma Wylie (V), Christopher Oladuji (AC).

Pray for: The Diocese of Madurai-Ramnad – The Church of South India (United)

Wed 26 Pray for: Crossway Stratford (BMO)
Clergy: James Child (Minister in Charge), Andrew Holt (AC)

Pray for: The Diocese of Magwi – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Thu 27 Calendar of Saints: George Herbert, Priest, Poet, 1633

Pray for: Christchurch Three Mills (BMO)

Clergy: Daniel Scott (Lead Minister)

Please pray for the lay leadership Team at Church E20

Pray for: The Diocese of Mahajanga – The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Fri 28 Pray for: The Retired clergy, Readers and lay ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Newham.

Pray for: The Diocese of Maiduguri – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Tue 18 **Pray for:** West Ham (St Matthew) Clergy: James Child (V), Andrew Holt (AC).
Pray for: Missionary Area of Macau – Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

Wed 19 **Pray for:** Stratford (St John w Christ Church) Clergy: Young Lee (V).
Licensed Lay Minister: Ayodele Olunoyo.
Stratford (St Paul) and (St James) Clergy: Ivo Anderson (V).
St James' Junior School: Rose Boland-Bourne (HT)
Pray for: The Diocese of Machakos – The Anglican Church of Kenya

Thu 20 **Pray for:** Pray for: Victoria Docks (The Ascension)
Clergy: Dave Chesney (V), Rebecca Rogers (AC).
Victoria Docks (St Luke) Clergy: Amy Stott (V), Kat Bennett (A).
Licensed Lay Minister: Carole Davison.
St Luke's School: Matt Hipperson (HT)
Pray for: The Diocese of Maciene – Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Fri 21 **Pray for:** West Ham (All Saints) Clergy: Al Gordon (V), Robin Talbot (A).
West Ham Church Primary School: Nicola James (HT).
Beckton (St Mark) Clergy: Peter Ngugi (PIC)
Pray for: The Diocese of Madhya Kerala – The Church of South India (United)

Sat 22 **Pray for:** *The Diocese of Madi and West Nile – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

Sun 23 **SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
Please pray for the **Spiritual Direction Co-ordinating Group** and all who minister as **Spiritual Directors**.
Pray for: Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Fri 6 **Calendar of Saints: Nicolas, Bishop of Myra, c.326**

Pray for: Benefice of the Rodings, Easters & Great Canfield: The South Rodings - Abbess Roding (St Edmund), Beauchamp Roding (St Botolph), White Roding (St Martin), Leaden Roding (St Michael); Great Canfield (St Mary Vn), High Roding (All Saints), Aythorpe Roding (St Mary Vn), High Easter (St Mary Vn), Good Easter (St Andrew) and Margaret Roding (St Margaret of Antioch) Clergy: Robert Stone (PIC), Tim Goodbody (AC).
Pray for: The Diocese of Kivu – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Sat 7 **Calendar of Saints: Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397**
Pray for: The Diocese of North Kivu – Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Sun 8 **THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Pray for all who work in radio or television and the work of all local and regional media outlets within our Diocese.
Pray for: Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

Mon 9 **Pray for:** Stebbing (St Mary Vn) & Lindsell (St Mary Vn) w Great Saling (St James) and Little (Bardfield) Saling (St Peter & St Paul)
Clergy: Susan Hurley (PIC), Ian Elliott (AC), Josephine Wood (A).
Licensed Lay Ministers: Catherine Elliott, Kate Green, Paul Green.
Stansted Mountfitchet (St John) w Birchanger (St Mary Virgin) & Farnham (St Mary Virgin), Takeley (Holy Trinity) w Little Canfield (All Saints) Clergy: Colin Fairweather (PIC), Helen Flack (AC). Licensed Lay Minister: Hugh Mascetti.
St Mary's School, Stansted: Matthew Curzon (HT).
The Retired clergy, Readers and Lay Ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Dunmow and Stansted.
Pray for: The Diocese of Kobe – The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

Tue 10 **Pray for: The Deanery of Harwich**
Area Dean: Philip Ritchie. Lay Chair: David Druitt
Pray for: The Diocese of Koforidua – The Church of the Province of West Africa

- Wed 11** **Pray for:** Dedham (St Mary Virgin) and Ardleigh (St Mary the Virgin)
Clergy: John Saxon (Rural Missioner, A), Phillip Young (Rural Missioner, A).
Dedham School: Gemma Chester (HT).
St Mary's School, Ardleigh: Chris Benson (HT).
Pray for: The Diocese of Kolhapur – The Church of North India (United)
- Thu 12** **Pray for:** Harwich Peninsula Team Ministry: Dovercourt (All Saints) & Parkeston (St Paul), Harwich (St Nicholas), Ramsey (St Michael) w Little Oakley (St Mary Vn) Clergy: Ian Smith (TR), Kirsty Emerson (TV).
Licensed Lay Ministers: John Shaw, John Wallace.
All Saints School, Dovercourt: Samantha Moseley (HT).
Two Village School, Ramsey/Little Oakley: Sarah Bryson/ (Interim HTs).
Great Oakley (All Saints) w Wix (St Mary) & Wrabness (All Saints), Tendring (St Edmund), and Beaumont-cum-Moze (St Leonard) Clergy: John Saxon (Rural Missioner, A), Laura Garnham (AC), Phil Ritchie (AC), Phillip Young (Rural Missioner, A).
All Saints School, Great Oakley: Aaron Battersby (HT).
Pray for: The Diocese of Kollam – Kottarakkara – The Church of South India (United)
- Fri 13** **Calendar of Saints: Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304**
Samuel Johnson, Moralist, 1784
Pray for: Lawford (St Mary) w Little Bentley (St Mary Vn) and The Bromleys (St George, St Mary Virgin) Clergy: John Saxon (Rural Missioner, A), Phillip Young (Rural Missioner, A) Dominic Turner (A), Nicky Young (A).
Lawford School: Abbie Fairbairn (HT).
St George's School, Great Bromley: Rebecca Keitch (HT).
Mistley w Manningtree (St Mary and St Michael) w Bradfield (St Lawrence) Clergy: Dominic Turner (R), John Brien (AC), Sam Winney (AC), Nicky Young (A). Licensed Lay Minister: Julie Tittley
Mistley Norman School: Mark Carter-Tufnell (HT).
The Retired Clergy, Readers and Lay Ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Harwich.
Pray for: The Diocese of Kondoa – The Anglican Church of Tanzania

- Wed 12** **Pray for:** Forest Gate (All Saints) Clergy: Jeremy Fraser (PIC), Fred Ashford-Okai (AC). Forest Gate (Emmanuel w St Peter Upton Cross) Clergy: Vacancy (V), Ajennie Subaran (AC).
Pray for: The Diocese of Lusaka – The Church of the Province of Central Africa
- Thu 13** **Pray for:** Forest Gate (St Mark) Clergy: Ben King (V).
Forest Gate (St Saviour and St James) Clergy: Cornelius Henry (R)
Pray for: The Lusitanian Church – (Extra Provincial)
- Fri 14** **Calendar of Saints: Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885**
Valentine, Martyr at Rome, c.269
Pray for: Little Ilford (St Barnabas) Clergy: Vacancy (V).
Manor Park [Little Ilford] (St Michael and All Angels, St Mary the Virgin) Clergy: Lee Taylor (R)
Pray for: The Diocese of Luwero – The Church of the Province of Uganda
- Sat 15** **Calendar of Saints: Sigfrid, Bishop, Apostle of Sweden, 1045**
Thomas Bray, Priest, Founder of SPCK and SPG, 1730
Pray for: The Diocese of Northern Luzon – The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- Sun 16** **THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
Thank God for Our Diocesan links with other parts of the world.
Pray for understanding and love between all people of faith.
Pray for: The Church of Bangladesh
- Mon 17** **Calendar of Saints: Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977**
Pray for: North Woolwich (St John w Silvertown)
Clergy: Emeka Ejinkonye (Lead Minister, AC)
Pray for: The Diocese of Lweru – The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Thu 6 **Calendar of Saints: Martyrs of Japan, 1597**

Pray for: The retired Clergy, Readers, and Lay Ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Havering.

Pray for: The Diocese of Louisiana – The Episcopal Church

Fri 7 **Pray for: The Deanery of Newham**

Area Dean: Dave Chesney. Lay Chair: Shirley Biro.

Assistant Area Deans: Cornelius Henry, Merrin Playle.

Chaplain: Stephen Chandler (East London NHS Foundation Trust).

Pray for: The Diocese of Western Louisiana – The Episcopal Church

Sat 8 **Pray for: The Diocese of Luapula – The Church of the Province of Central Africa****Sun 9** **FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

Racial Justice Sunday: Today is an opportunity to reflect on the importance of racial justice, to give thanks for human diversity, and pray for an end to misunderstanding, racism and injustice.

Pray for: The Anglican Church of Australia

Mon 10 **Calendar of Saints: Scholastica, sister of Benedict, Abbess of Plombariola, c.543**

Pray for: East Ham Holy Trinity Team Ministry (St Mary, St Bartholomew, St Alban Upton Park, St Edmund) Clergy: Susan Lucas (TR), Paul Gurnham (TV), Katherine Ward (AC), Saulo de Barros (AC), John King (A).

East Ham (St George and St Ethelbert) Clergy: David Haokip (V).

Pray for: The Diocese of Lucknow – The Church of North India (United)

Tue 11 **Pray for: East Ham (St Paul)**

Clergy: Merrin Playle (V). Licensed Lay Minister: Keith Bone.

Pray for: The Diocese of Lui – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Sat 14 **Calendar of Saints: John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591**

Pray for: The Diocese of Kongor – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Sun 15 **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.

Pray for: The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Mon 16 **Pray for: The Deanery of Saffron Walden**

Area Dean: Jeremy Trew. Lay Chair: Graham Cook.

Pray for: The Diocese of Kongor – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Tue 17 **Calendar of Saints: O Sapientia****Eglantyne Jebb, Social Reformer, Founder of ‘Save the Children’, 1928**

Pray for: Icknield Way Villages: Great Chishill (St Swithun), Little Chishill (St Nicholas), Chrishall (Holy Trinity), Elmdon (St Nicholas), Strehall (St Mary Vn), Heydon (Holy Trinity), Duddenhoe End (The Hamlet Church)
Clergy: James Webster (R).

Chrishall School: Tracey Bratley (Executive HT).

Pray for: The Diocese of Kontagora – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Wed 18 **Ember Day**

Pray for: 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) and Little Chesterford (St Mary Vn)
Clergy: Jeremy Trew (AD, TR), Vacancy (TV), Ella Harris (A), Hilary Walker (A).
Licensed Lay Ministers: Marisa Baltrock, Tracey Nicholls.

St Mary’s School, Saffron Walden: Mr Chris Jarman (HT).

Debden School: Matthew Hawley (HT).

Great Chesterford Primary Academy: Sarah Mitchell/Amy Sargeant (HTs).

Pray for: The Diocese of Kootenay – The Anglican Church of Canada

December

Thu 19 **Pray for:** Thaxted (St John and St Laurence); The Sampfords (St Mary Virgin, St Michael) and Radwinter (St Mary Virgin) with Hempstead (St Andrew)
Clergy: Vacancy (R). Licensed Lay Minister: Adrian Wright.

Radwinter School: Emily Bartram (HT).

Clavering (St Mary & St Clement) and Langley (St John Evangelist) w
Arkesden (St Mary Virgin) and Wicken Bonhunt (St Margaret); Manuden (St
Mary Virgin) and Berden (St Nicholas). Clergy: Gary Fleming (V).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Eastern Kowloon – Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

Fri 20 Ember Day

Pray for: Henham (St Mary Virgin) and Elsenham (St Mary Virgin)
w Ugley (St Peter). Clergy: Louis Wilson (V).

Elsenham School: Linda Todd (HT).

Newport (St Mary Virgin) w Widdington (St Mary Virgin), Quendon
(St Simon & St Jude) w Rickling (All Saints) Clergy: Peter Allen (PIC,
Chaplain of Stansted Airport), Gavin Sunshine (A).

Rickling CE Primary School: Tracey Bratley (HT).

The Retired Clergy, Readers and Lay Ministers who live and work in the
Deanery of Saffron Walden.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Western Kowloon – Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

Sat 21 Ember Day

Pray for: *The Diocese of Krishna-Godavari – The Church of South India (United)*

Sun 22 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.

Pray for: *The Church of the Province of Uganda*

February

Sat 1 Calendar of Saints: **Brigid, Abbess of Kildare, c.525**

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lomega – Province of the Episcopal Church
of South Sudan*

Sun 2 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY [OR PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)]

Let the flame of your love never be quenched in our hearts, O Lord. Waking
or sleeping, living or dying, let us delight in your presence. Let the flame
of your love brighten our souls and illumine our path, and let the majesty
of your glory be our joy, our life and our strength now and for ever. Amen
(Johann Arndt, 1555-1621)

Pray for: *The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia*

Mon 3 Calendar of Saints: **Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark & Sweden, 865**

Pray for: Romford (St Andrew [& St Agnes])

Clergy: Beth Joss-Pothen (PIC). Licensed Lay Minister: Pennie Ley

Pray for: *The Diocese of London – The Church of England*

Tue 4 Calendar of Saints: **Gilbert of Sempringham, Founder of the Gilbertine Order, 1189**

Pray for: Romford (St Edward the Confessor) Clergy: Vacancy (Vicar),
David Perry (AC).

St Edward's CE Academy: Jodie Hassan (HT).

St Edward's CE Primary School: Mr Chris Speller (HT)

Pray for: *The Diocese of Long Island – The Episcopal Church*

Wed 5 **Pray for:** Upminster (St Laurence) Clergy: Susannah Brasier (R), Catherine Towner (A). Noak Hill (St Thomas) Clergy: David Anderton (PIC)

Pray for: *The Diocese of Los Angeles – The Episcopal Church*

January

December

Wed 29 **Pray for:** Pray for: Collier Row (The Good Shepherd)
Clergy: Vacancy (V), Keith Turner (AC)
Pray for: *The Diocese of Llandaff – The Church in Wales*

Thu 30 **Calendar of Saints: Charles, King and Martyr, 1649**
Pray for: Collier Row (St James) w Havering-atte-Bower (St John the Evangelist) Clergy: David Anderton (V), Geoff Clarke (AC), Naomi Snelling (A).
Dame Tipping School: Alice Larkman (Exec HT), Stella McCarthy (HoS)
Pray for: *Missionary Area of Lodwar – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

Fri 31 **Calendar of Saints: John Bosco, Priest, Founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888**
Pray for: Romford (St Alban) Clergy: Roderick Hingley (V).
Romford (St Augustine of Canterbury) Clergy: Martin Howse (V)
Pray for: *The Diocese of Lokoja – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Mon 23 **Pray for: The Deanery of St Osyth**
Area Dean: Vacancy. Lay Chair: Vacancy

Ten Penny Villages: Alresford (St Andrew) and Frating w Thorrington (St Mary), Elmstead (St Anne and St Laurence).
Clergy: Andrew Fordyce (R), Pauline Hart (AC), Janine Wilde (A).
Pray for: *The Diocese of Kubwa – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Tue 24 **Christmas Eve**
Pray for: Brightlingsea (All Saints w St James). Clergy: Caroline Beckett (V), Judith Gibbons (A). Licensed Lay Minister: Catherine Graham.

Clacton (St James). Clergy: Vacancy (V).
Pray for: *The Diocese of Kuching – Church of the Province of South East Asia*

Wed 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY - NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**
“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)
Pray for: *The Diocese of Kumasi – The Church of the Province of West Africa*

Thu 26 **Calendar of Saints: STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR**
Pray for: Clacton (St Paul). Clergy: David Lower (PIC).

Frinton (St Mary Magdalene). Clergy: Funmilayo Vaughan (R).
Licensed Lay Minister: Maggie Wilson & Malcolm Bryden
Pray for: *The Diocese of Kumi – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

Fri 27 **Calendar of Saints: JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST**
Pray for: Great Clacton (St John the Baptist)
Clergy: Mark Mulryne (V), Ti Chase (A).

Great Clacton C of E Junior School: Karen Jones (Exec. HT).
Holland-on-Sea (St Bartholomew) Clergy: Vacancy (PIC), David Lower (AC).
Pray for: *The Diocese of Kurunegala – The Church of Ceylon (Extra Provincial)*

Sat 28 Calendar of Saints: **THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

Pray for: The Diocese of Kushtia – The Church of Bangladesh

Sun 29 **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 Episcopal Church

Mon 30 **Pray for:** Kirby-Le-Soken (St Michael), Great Holland (All Saints)
Clergy: Mark Holdaway (R)

St Osyth (St Peter & St Paul) w Great Bentley (St Mary Vn)
Clergy: Sharon Guest (V) (to be licensed in January).

Pray for: The Diocese of Kutgi – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Tue 31 Calendar of Saints: **John Wyclif, Reformer, 1384**

Pray for: Thorpe-le-Soken (St Michael) Clergy: Vacancy (V).

Thorpe-le-Soken Rolph School: Karen Jones (Executive HT), Nicola Emrich (HoS).

Walton-le-Soken (All Saints) Clergy: Peter Edwards (R).

Weeley (St Andrew) w Little Clacton (St James)
Clergy: Sharon Guest (PIC) (to be licensed in January).

St Andrew's School: Diane Fawcett (HT).

The Retired Clergy, Readers and Lay Ministers who live and work in the Deanery of St Osyth.

Pray for: The Diocese of Kwara – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Thu 23 **Pray for:** Hornchurch (Holy Cross) Clergy: Ken Wylie (PIC), Julian Patching (AC),
Hornchurch (St Nicholas) [Elm Park] Clergy: Amanda Keighley (V),
Penny Brooks (AC), Julie Quintin (A).

Pray for: The Diocese of Lichfield – The Church of England

Fri 24 Calendar of Saints: **Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1274**

Pray for: Squirrels Heath (All Saints) [Ardleigh Green] Clergy: Vacancy(V).

North Ockenden (St Mary Magdalene) Clergy: Marion Williams (PIC)

Pray for: The Diocese of Lincoln – The Church of England

Sat 25 Calendar of Saints: **THE CONVERSION OF PAUL**

Pray for: The Diocese of Litoral Ecuador – The Episcopal Church

Sun 26 **THE THIRD 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.

Pray for: The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

Mon 27 **Pray for:** Rainham (St Helen & St Giles) w Wennington (St Mary & St Peter)
Clergy: Elise Peterson (V), David Stainer (AC).

Pray for: The Diocese of Liverpool – The Church of England

Tue 28 Calendar of Saints: **Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Philosopher, Teacher of the Faith, 1274**

Pray for: South Hornchurch (St John & St Matthew)
Clergy: Kevin Browning (V).

Collier Row (The Ascension) Clergy: Alexandra Joseph (PIC)

Pray for: The Diocese of Liwolo – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

January

Fri 17 **Calendar of Saints: Antony of Egypt, Hermit, Abbot, 356**
Charles Gore, Bishop, Founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932

Pray for: Cranham Park (St Luke) Clergy: James Rigby (V), Ken Perkins (AC), Neil Barrett (A). Licensed Lay Minister: Christine Rose.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Leeds – The Church of England*

Sat 18 **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins: 18-25 January**

Calendar of Saints: Amy Carmichael, Founder of the Dohnavur Fellowship, Spiritual Writer, 1951

Pray for: *The Diocese of Leicester – The Church of England*

Sun 19 **THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**

In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity all Christians must remember the words of Jesus: “A new command I give you: “Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” (John 13:34-35).

Pray for: *The Church in the Province of the West Indies*

Mon 20 **Calendar of Saints: Richard Rolle, Spiritual Writer, 1349**

Pray for: Gidea Park (St Michael) Clergy: Daniel Kirk (V).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lesotho – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*

Tue 21 **Calendar of Saints: Agnes, Child Martyr at Rome, 304**

Pray for: Harold Hill (St George) Clergy: Nathan Joss-Pothen (V).

Harold Hill (St Paul) Clergy: Richard Power (V).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lexington – The Episcopal Church*

Wed 22 **Calendar of Saints: Vincent of Saragossa, Deacon, Martyr, 304**

Pray for: Harold Wood (St Peter)

Clergy: Robert Hudson (V), Andrew Bellis (AC). Hornchurch (St Andrew)

Clergy: Ken Wylie (AD, V), Lisa Bewick (AC), Marianne Hayward (AC), Mark Smeed (A). Licensed Lay Minister: Carole Sherratt.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Liberia – The Church of the Province of West Africa*

January

Wed 1 **Calendar of Saints: THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS**

Pray for: Our Bishops - Guli Francis Dehqani, Lynne Cullens, Adam Atkinson and Roger Morris; for the Assistant Bishops and PEV – Adrian Newman, Saulo Mauricio de Barros and Rob Munro; and for their families.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Kwoi – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Thu 2 **Calendar of Saints: 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

Pray for: BARKING EPISCOPAL AREA

Please pray for our Archdeacons: Mike Power (West Ham) and Chris Burke (Barking); and all the members of the Barking Area Team.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Kyoto – The Nippon Sei Ko Kai*

Fri 3 **Pray for: The Deanery of Barking and Dagenham**

Area Dean: Martin Court. Lay Chair: Andrew Weston.

Assistant Area Deans: Unesu Chindabata and Kathryn Miller.

Chaplain: Tania Payne (North East London Foundation NHS Trust)

Pray for: *The Diocese of Kyushu – The Nippon Sei Ko Kai*

Sat 4 **Pray for: The Diocese of Lafia – The Church of Nigeria**

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Sun 5 **THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS (OR EPIPHANY)**

Father God, the star that led the Magi to the stable announced to the world that its Saviour was born. Today we live in a world that is still covered by darkness, and still needing to make that journey to the stable door. May our lives reflect your light day by day, as we seek to serve where you have placed us; that we might be the means through which others can encounter Jesus Christ. Amen

Pray for: *The Church in Wales*

Mon 6 THE EPIPHANY

Pray for: Barking (St Erkenwald) Clergy: Urbain Matsalou-Yombe (PIC).

Becontree South TM (St Alban, St Martin, St John the Divine) Clergy: Faye Bailey (TR), Liz Brown (AC), Raymond Descombes (AC), Leigh Daynes (A).

Becontree St Cedd Clergy: Unesu Chindabata (PIC).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lagos – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Tue 7 **Pray for:** Becontree (St Elisabeth) Clergy: Trevor Golding (V).

Becontree (St Thomas) Clergy: Gemma Stock (V).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lagos Mainland – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Wed 8 **Pray for:** Becontree (St Mary, Hartley Brook Church) Clergy: Kathryn Miller (V), Cliff McLeod (A), Cecilia Morkeh-Yamson Pelligrin (A).

Chadwell Heath (St Chad) Clergy: Martin Court (AD, V).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lagos West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Thu 9 **Pray for:** Dagenham (St Peter and St Paul) Clergy: Joel Edwards (V).

William Ford Junior School: David Huntingford (HT).

Dagenham Park CE School: Chris Ash (HT).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lahore – The Church of Pakistan (United)*

Fri 10 **Calendar of Saints: William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645**

Pray for: Becontree (St George) Clergy: Simon Berry (PIC).

Marks Gate (St Mark) Clergy: Alexandra Joseph (PIC).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lainya – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan*

Sat 11 **Calendar of Saints: Mary Slessor, Missionary in West Africa, 1915**

Pray for: *The Diocese on the Lake – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Sun 12 **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 worthy of our calling.

Pray for: *The Church of the Province of West Africa*

Mon 13 **Calendar of Saints: Hilary, Bishop, Teacher of the Faith, 367**
Kentigern (Mungo), Missionary bishop, 603
George Fox, Founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers)

Pray for: Barking (St Margaret) Clergy: Mark Adams (V); Elwon John (AC).

St Margaret's School: Sophie Bannon (HOS) and Amir Lemouchi (Exec HT).

George Carey Primary School: Christopher Harrison (HT).

Pray for: *The Church of the Province of West Africa*

Tue 14 **Pray for:** Barking (St Patrick)

Clergy: Vacancy (V). Licensed Lay Minister: Matthew Harding.

Thames View (Christ Church) Clergy: Unesu Chindabata (V), Shade Barnes (A).

Barking Riverside Clergy: Sam Pollard (Lead Minister),

The Retired Clergy, Readers and Lay Ministers who live and work in the Deanery of Barking.

Pray for: *The Diocese of West Lango – The Church of the Province of Uganda*

Wed 15 **Pray for: The Deanery of Havering**

Area Dean: Ken Wylie. Lay Chair: Johanna Hardy-Van Den Beld. Assistant Area Deans: David Anderton, Marion Williams.

Pray for: *The Diocese of Langtang – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)*

Thu 16 **Pray for:** Cranham (All Saints) Clergy: Marion Williams (R).

Pray for: *The Diocese of Lebombo – Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola*