

22	As Prestwick wakes up to a host of knitted angels festooning the Main St, may the love of God make its way into the hearts and minds of folk. May it inspire a desire to hear the good news proclaimed by the Angels of God on that first Christmas.
23	Father we pray for all those taking part in our Nativity service this morning. Thank you for all who volunteer with Creators Club, helping to shape the next generation of Your Church.
24	Lord, we pray for all who attend our Christmas Eve services today. May they encounter You and feel the joy and peace that comes from receiving the best gift of all, Your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.
25	Lord of beauty and majesty, you revealed to simple shepherds the very joy of heaven in Jesus, but you were proclaiming to the whole of creation that things had changed forever. The Messiah, the anointed one, had come. Lord, we thank you that that same Jesus is the one we meet by faith today. The Jesus of new life, forgiveness and hope is with us. Hallelujah, we praise your name and join with all creation in celebration. Amen.
26	Lord we pray for those who live in constant fear of persecution and can't openly celebrate the birth of Your Son.
27	Lord, I'm sorry for fighting you when you're only trying to protect me. Today I choose the safety of Your presence. Amen.
28	Heavenly Father, I pray for our government leaders, that You will give them wisdom to make the right decisions. Amen.

29	Pray for Pastor Jorge in one of Colombia's rebel-controlled rural areas ministering to children caught up in the drug trade. Guerrillas often use the children in the coca fields.
30	"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights." James 1:17
31	Our Father and our God, as we stand at the beginning of this new year we confess our need of Your presence and Your guidance as we face the future. We each have our hopes and expectations for the year that is ahead of us—but You alone know what it holds for us, and only You can give us the strength and the wisdom we will need to meet its challenges. So help us to humbly put our hands into Your hand, and to trust You and to seek Your will for our lives during this coming year.

**"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."
Isaiah 9:6**



**December
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PRAYER CALENDAR**

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1	On World Aids Day we remember those, throughout the world, who are suffering from HIV/Aids. Many live in poverty with poor social conditions. Lord we pray that they get all the food, medicines and care they need.
2	Praise the Lord for the season of Advent as we approach Christmas and the best gift of all. Help us to focus on the birth of Christ in the coming days and to avoid getting caught up in the materialistic rituals of the 21st century.
3	“My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.” Luke 1:40
4	“I am the Lord your God who teaches what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go.” Isaiah 48:17 Thank you Lord that have a plan for us. Let us have ears to hear it.
5	Pray for all the children who know fear, hunger and hurt that your love will be shown to them through the compassion of those who come in Your name.
6	“Father God I wonder how I managed to exist without the knowledge of Your parenthood and Your loving care.” Lord may those who are struggling with the burdens of life find comfort and hope in the knowledge that You long to be their father.
7	Pray for the Christmas Film Night at Monkton this evening. May all attending see Your Love shining from the faces of Your disciples, seeking to make You known to the lost.

8	“Come to me all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest” Matt 11:28 Enjoy the peace that Jesus offers you.
9	“Prepare ye the way of the Lord” Matt 3:3 On this 2nd Sunday of Advent help us to prepare our hearts & minds for the coming of the Lord.
10	Pray for Peter and the volunteers of the Christ in Action food bank. Pray for energy, patience and strength as they provide vital practical support helping families during the festive season.
11	“Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a son and they shall call his name Immanuel” Matt 1:23 Give thanks today for God who is with us.
12	As we prepare to buy & wrap gifts for our family & friends help us to remember the greatest gift of all Jesus our saviour.
13	Pray that during school assemblies the children will come to know the true meaning of Christmas. Jesus is the light of the world.
14	May the Christians in our community shine the light of your love into the dark corners where Your truth needs to be spoken. Help us to use this time of Advent to make a special effort to minister Your love to those around us.

15	Pray for all those who feel lonely, sad and unloved. Pray that the love of Jesus will be seen in you. Ask God to equip you to share His love with others.
16	Whenever you see Christmas lights today give thanks for Jesus, the light of the world.
17	Pray for all our young people as they take part in all activities through church and school. Also all young people in our community. Pray for protection from harm.
18	“Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners— of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life.” 1 Timothy 1:15-16
19	Father God, as we enter into this month give us the courage to reach out to people of all ages and bring them the Gospel message.
20	“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.” James 1:2-3
21	Thank you Lord that, no matter what my performance is, you love and accept me. Help me draw my security always and only from you. Amen.