

Prayer Calendar

February 2026

**Sunday, 1
February**

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Monday, 2
February**
The
Presentation
of Christ in the
Temple

Jesus, light of the world, we thank you for your inspiring love. Guide us, through your Holy Spirit's presence, so that we can be beacons of light and hope in our communities.

**Tuesday, 3
February**

God of all, as our Bishop's Staff meets today, help them to listen attentively to you and to the voices of all across our diocese so that their discernment and decision making may be for the good of your kingdom.

**Wednesday
, 4
February**

Merciful God, as the winter cold settles around us, we lift to you those struggling to stay warm. For families torn between heating and eating, for the elderly and vulnerable, and all feeling the harshness of this season. Inspire us to know how best to support those in such need.

**Thursday,
5 February**

God of nurture, help us to care deeply for the generations that follow us. May they discover the wisdom and beauty of your path and may we continually learn from their fresh insights.

**Friday, 6
February**

Jesus, who came to serve, we give thanks and pray for all across our diocese who have cleaned and prepared churches for worship this week so that they are places of welcome and comfort for all your people.

**Saturday, 7
February**

Father God, we pray for your Spirit's presence in all the Portishead Deanery churches and ask you to grant wisdom to the Deanery Leadership Team as they seek a new Lay Dean and the new Deanery Secretary finds her feet.

**Sunday, 8
February**

Gracious Lord, we give thanks for Bishop Fiona as she begins her ministry in our diocese. Bless her with your Spirit's grace and wisdom and surround her with your peace and love.

**Monday, 9
February**

God of healing, we know that every child is precious to you. We pray for the health and wellbeing of all children and those who care for them. Enable us to work with others to support children struggling with their mental health.

**Tuesday, 10
February**

Lord of life, be with our training curates and others joining the Go Team for a day of training in Wells today. May they be equipped for ministry to and with the generation growing up amongst us.

**Wednesday,
11 February**

Teacher God, as school leaders gather in Wells today to prepare for their next SIAMS* inspection, fill them with hope and inspiration for the children and families in their community.
*Statutory Inspection for Anglican and Methodist Schools

**Thursday,
12
February**

Father God, during this Children's Mental Health Week, we pray for children around the world who are affected by mental health issues. We remember the world's most vulnerable children who face mental health issues as well as the day-to-day battles of poverty.

**Friday, 13
February**

God of justice, help us to honour you by challenging unjust structures wherever we encounter them, and to recognise where we may be part of such structures. Give us the grace to see injustice and the courage to be part of changing it.

**Saturday,
14 February**

Creator God, we pray for repair and renewal of the parts of your world we have damaged. We ask for wisdom for decision makers who have the power to prevent pollution, degradation and harm to your world, and pray for compassion towards your world, entrusted to our care.

**Sunday, 15
February**

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday,
16
February

Loving God, renew churches in Locking Deanery with a vision of your kingdom, where all things are made anew. Through your Holy Spirit, give vision to their planning, wisdom to their actions, and power to their witness. Help your church serve the community, growing in leadership, numbers and spiritual commitment.

Tuesday, 17
February

Lord, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Let peace fill our hearts, our world and our universe, to build one world of peace and justice for all.

Wednesday,
18 February
Ash
Wednesday

God of grace, as Lent begins, we pray for churches, schools, families and individuals across our diocese using the Praying Through Lent resource. From the oldest to the youngest, may we grow together in our faith and deepen our understanding of you.

Thursday,
19
February

Loving God, during this season of Lent we pray for those leading Lent groups across our diocese, helping people to deepen their faith in you. We give thanks for their ministry and ask your blessing on it.

Friday, 20
February

Heavenly Father, in the depth of winter we look forward to the growth of spring arriving. We pray for growth in our *Magnificat Parishes, not just numbers but of discipleship, of faithfulness, of your vision, of joy and peace.

Saturday,
21 February

Loving God in this special year of prayer we pray especially for Readers across our diocese, as they pray with and for people across their communities. We give thanks for their faithfulness and pray for their continued discernment of your call, for them and for those they serve.

Sunday, 22
February
First Sunday of
Lent

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, 23
February

Visionary God, as the Education team meets with the multi-academy trusts that our church schools belong to over the next few weeks, fill their conversations with wisdom and hope for the children and young people of our diocese.

Tuesday, 24
February

Loving God, as Bishop's Council meets today, help them to rely on the guidance of your Holy Spirit in all their thinking, speaking and decision making so that their decisions will be for the common good and to your glory.

Wednesday,
25 February

God of change, as our countryside slides into spring, may we welcome the signs of the abundance that you provide each year, with the return of the warmth of the sun. Warm our hearts today to produce new growth for your kingdom.

Thursday,
26 February

Loving God, we give thanks for all those, lay and ordained, who offer ministry across our diocese. Give them joy in their ministry and a heart to serve you and work together, so that your church may be one.

Friday, 27
February

Eternal God, as we celebrate George Herbert, poet and priest today, help us to remember that your love always bids us welcome and that you draw near to us when we feel unworthy of that love. Give us courage to embrace the love you offer us.

Saturday, 28
February

Jesus, Light of the world, we pray for the places where young people and young adults gather in our communities. We pray for the Movement event taking place in Taunton tomorrow, where young people and youth leaders from the local area will gather and ask your blessing on that work.

*Our Magnificat parishes are those which are high on the Index of Multiple Deprivation.