

St. Michael and All Angels, Colehill
MONTHLY PRAYER DIARY FOR JULY 2026

Wednesday 1st – Saturday 4th

This week we mark **National Bereaved Parents' Day (3rd June)**. We pray for all those who have lost children. Lord, we thank you that you are near to those who are in pain, that you yourself are 'acquainted with grief', and that one day you will wipe away every tear. Help us weep with those who weep and point them towards your love.

- Wed.1st** Remind me, God, of the lightness of love as well as its depths. Help me to keep a sense of humour and an openness to the wonders around us that shine in the darkness of our world.
- Thu.2nd** **Pray for those who are ministering to us in our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for those who enrich our worship through music - Jo our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit. Guide and inspire them all, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.3rd** On the **Feast Day of Thomas the Apostle**, we remember his doubt upon hearing of Jesus' resurrection. We pray that we would be filled with faith and confidence to proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, believing even when we haven't seen.
- Sat.4th** Father God, open our hearts and minds so that we may see and understand the struggles that others face. Help us to know how to bring healing into troubled lives.

Sunday 5th – Saturday 11th

- Sun.5th** **We pray for the work of our Diocese of Salisbury**, remembering Acting Bishop Karen, with the extra work load she is carrying at the moment, and Andrew, as he and his family prepare to move to St. Albans as its Bishop. Lord, bless them in their ministry and grant unto them energy and vision in the responsibilities they undertake.
- Mon.6th** Loving Father, we uphold before you all our **local Medical Practices**. Bless doctors, nurses, receptionists and other ancillary staff as they continue your healing work on earth.
- Tue.7th** Lord God, we uphold before you all those who are **sick and infirm, the sad, lonely and those who are housebound**, especially those who are mentioned on our Weekly Prayer List. May they experience your presence, and so find strength and grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- Wed.8th** Lord God, we pray for **all who contribute to our common life together at St. Michael's**. We give special thanks for Suzanne our Vicar, Martin our Assistant Priest and our Ministry Team, Hilary G, Graham, John and Jenny, and for the varied and imaginative liturgy we enjoy in our worship each Sunday.
- Thu.9th** **Pray for those who are ministering to us in our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for those who enrich our worship through music - Jo our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit. Guide and inspire them all, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.10th** We pray for **Cherubs**, our mums and carers toddlers' group and for all who contribute to its management and activity.
- Sat.11th** On **World Population Day**, we give thanks that you know and love each of the 8 billion people on this planet. We pray that all would know their creator. As we recognise the great need in the world, empower us to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth.
- Sunday 12th – Saturday 18th**
- Sun.12th** On **Rural Mission Sunday**, we give thanks for our rural churches across the Salisbury Diocese. We give thanks for their mission and ministry, and pray that you would help it to grow and flourish.
- Mon.13th** God of healing and compassion, we thank you for the **National Health Service**, and for the dedication of all who work in it. Give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who care for the sick, and your wisdom to those engaged in medical research.
- Tue.14th** Father, we give thanks for our **Lay Pastoral Assistants**, Barbara, Liz and Richard and ask your blessing on their ministry of care.
- Wed.15th** Lord, we pray for our **PCC** and ask that each member may exercise their responsibilities wisely and prayerfully so that decisions they make may be in accordance with your will for the extension of Christ's kingdom at St. Michael's.
- Thu.16th** **Pray for those who are ministering to us in our worship on Sunday.** Pray too for those who enrich our worship through music - Jo our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit. Guide and inspire them all, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.
- Fri.17th** Lord, we ask for your blessing on our **Church School, St. Michael's Middle**, for Darren Ayling, its Headteacher, children, staff and Academy Committee.

Sat.18th Lord Jesus, we remember **our local community**, remembering with gratitude all who serve on Colehill Parish Council, and those who work in Colehill and provide a service for its inhabitants and further afield.

Sunday 19th – Saturday 25th

Sun.19th Dear Lord, **thank You for sharing our life in this world**. Help us to see how our joys and sorrows, hopes and fears unite with the story of your love. Show us how to share our faith with You.

Mon.20th **As schools break up for the Summer Holidays**, we pray for rest and relaxation for children and teachers. May time spent with family, friends, and with you Lord, bring restoration. We give thanks for churches running summer groups, camps and activities in our Diocese, and pray that you would help them to share the love of Christ with young people.

Tue.21st Pray for **someone or something** that may be in your thoughts at this present time.

Wed.22nd On the **Feast Day of Mary Magdalene**, we remember her devotion to Jesus, remaining by the cross during his crucifixion, and being the first to see him after his resurrection. May we all live lives devoted to you, giving thanks for all you've done for us.

Thu.23rd **Pray for those who are ministering to us in our worship on Sunday**. Pray too for those who enrich our worship through music - Jo our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit. Guide and inspire them all, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.

Fri.24th ***'Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little' (Edmund Burke)***. Help us Lord to see where we can add the drops of water that can create an ocean of compassion.

Sat.25th On the **Feast Day of James the Apostle**, one of the first disciples called by Jesus, and the first Apostle to be martyred, we remember his life and death. May we follow you with the same faith and count the cost of being your disciples.

Sunday 26th – Friday 31st

Sun.26th **Today's Collect**. 'O almighty Lord and everlasting God, vouchsafe we beseech you, to direct, sanctify both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul'.

- Mon.27th** We uphold all those **who wander our streets and who have no home of their own**. Father God, help them to find their home in you, and help us to serve the needs of those whom our society forgets.
- Tue.28th** Give thanks for **Alan, our church treasurer and his team**. Give thank also for our **Fund Raising Committee** who do so much to help to keep out church finances in healthy order.
- Wed.29th** **We pray for world peace**, that ways of aggression and violence against fellow-humans and against God's creation may be renounced. We remember especially the situation in the Middle East, Ukraine and Russia and Sudan and South Sudan.
- Thu.30th** On **International Day of Friendship**, we give thanks our friends around us. We thank you for the joy they bring to our lives, and we pray that we may show the fruits of the spirit in our friendships.
- Fri.31st** **Pray for those who are ministering to us in our worship on Sunday**. Pray too for those who enrich our worship through music - Jo our Choir Leader, our choir and our organist. Holy Spirit. Guide and inspire them all, that through our worship those present may be brought ever closer to you.