

# Partners Praying Together

## August 2024



ABM's *Partners Praying Together* is designed to link our supporters with our partners. Each month we present the prayer requests we receive from our Overseas Partners. Together with that we have the feasts and commemorations from the lectionary, the Australian Cycle of Prayer (which allows you to pray for ABM's Australian Partners), and commemorations from the United Nations calendar. All of these are designed not to tell you *how* to pray, but to prompt you to pray in whatever way you prefer.

*Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you.* – Psalm 32.6a

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## Who are ABM's Partners?

**W**E ARE ASKING YOU to remember our each of our Australian dioceses, our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partners (such as NATSIAC, Wontulp-Bi-Buya College and Nungalinga College), as well as our Overseas Partners. They consist of Activity Partners (with whom we currently have joint activities), Relational Partners (with whom we have historical relationships) and Networking Partners (with whom we work overseas, or with whom we share information). We have, as the well-used Anglican phrase describes it, strong *bonds of affection* for all of them. Because our overseas work involves both the Church, through our Church-to-Church Unit, and communities, though Anglicans in Development, we often relate to our partners both through the Church itself and through a particular Church's community development arm.

### Activity Partners

1. The Anglican Church of Kenya (*ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services*)
2. The Anglican Church of Melanesia (*The Anglican Church of Melanesia's Board of Mission*)
3. The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea (*Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea*)
4. The Church of Ceylon
5. The Church of the Province of Central Africa (*the Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program*)
6. The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) (*the CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks*)
7. The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (*E-CARE, a community development organization of the ECP*)
8. The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East (*the Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk*)
9. The Philippine Independent Church – *Iglesia Filipina Independiente, IFI (VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI)*

### Relational Partners

10. The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China
11. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia (*Anglican Missions Board, AMB*)
12. The Anglican Church of Hong Kong, the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui* 香港聖公會
13. The Anglican Church of Japan, the *Nippon Sei Ko Kai* 日本聖公会
14. The Anglican Church of Korea
15. The Church of Bangladesh

16. The Church of North India
17. The Church of Pakistan
18. The Church of South India
19. The Church of the Province of South East Asia
20. The Episcopal Church of South Sudan (*the Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA*)
21. The Episcopal Church of Sudan

### **Networking Partners**

22. Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)
23. The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (Canada)
24. USPG (UK and Ireland)
25. Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy
26. Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life
27. CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
28. The Mothers' Union

Please remember all our partners in your prayers. Whether they are in Vancouver, Honiara or Lahore, they need our prayers.

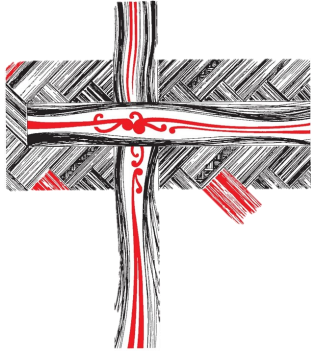
### **EACH DAY THIS MONTH**

- ✠ Lord Jesus Christ, Bread of life, we thank You for giving us our daily bread. Help us to attune our minds to those around the world who do not have enough to eat, so that we may help them in sustainable ways.
- ✠ Give thanks for all those who work to make our environment clean and healthy, holding polluters to account.
- ✠ Pray for all those living with mental health issues, that suitable care may be provided to them whenever it is needed.
- ✠ Pray for all those whose loved ones have been murdered, that they may find solace.
- ✠ Pray for all those in war zones, and those displaced by war, especially the people of the occupied Palestinian Territories and Israel, as well as Yemen and the Ukraine.
- ✠ Pray for the increasing number of people becoming jobless in Australia.
- ✠ Heavenly Father, we thank You for giving us the Eucharist to commemorate Christ's death and resurrection, to feed us on our pilgrimage back to You, and to empower us to join in with Your mission to save the world.

# Prayer Points

from our

## Overseas Partners



The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand  
and Polynesia

*Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tireni, ki Nga Moutere  
o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa*

- ✚ Please pray for those who are sleeping rough right now. It's the middle of winter and it's dark, wet and cold. We pray for churches and agencies that offer a listening ear; a hot mug of tea and companionship. Matthew 25:40 "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me".
- ✚ With the outcomes of the Abuse in Care Royal Commission of Inquiry about to be made publicly available, we pray for everyone who has been impacted either directly or indirectly by Anglican institutions and organisations in the past. We pray for the restoration and of hearts, minds and bodies.
- ✚ We give thanks for the strong support and level of partnership seen across the Anglican communion in responding to the tragedy that is Gaza and for the extraordinary work of the Al Ahli Anglican Arab Hospital.
- ✚ We pray for the three Archbishops of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia who have recently called on the New Zealand Government to retain Treaty-guaranteed rights that enable iwi, hapu and whānau to lead in the care of Māori children.
- ✚ We are thankful for the way congregations continue to look out and care for the last, the lost and the least.

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Anglican Cycle of Prayer 2023–2026, go to

[anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx](https://anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer/download-the-acp.aspx)

## 香港聖公會

### *The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*

#### **The Anglican Church of Hong Kong**

- ✠ Pray for the students on their summer break, for their curiosity in knowing more about this wonderful Creation, and their path towards Christ who is the Truth, the Way, and the Life.
- ✠ As summer temperature records get broken every other week, we pray especially for those people who cannot afford shelter, for their well-being in this heat, and for the wider world's healing.
- ✠ For Minghua Theological College, and its new foray into offering doctorate degrees in the near future; may the path of education open more to the wisdom of God.
- ✠ For the sailors, fishers, and all those who spend months away from the Fragrant Harbour of Hong Kong, in this typhoon season, may they safely return to their loved ones.



## 日本聖公会

### *The Nippon Sei Ko Kai*

#### **The Anglican Communion in Japan**

- ✠ As we come to the remembrance of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, give thanks for all who work for peace and the eradication of all nuclear weapons; especially we pray for the meeting this month of World Religions for Peace
- ✠ Please also pray for those who live with the legacy of the atomic bombings, in Japan and overseas, and ask God to comfort all who join the memorial events this year
- ✠ As schools take a break over the summer; give thanks for all Christian educational institutions in Japan and ask God to inspire the meeting this month of Anglican-affiliated schools
- ✠ Please pray for all those who will be traveling during the summer period and that they may return refreshed and renewed
- ✠ With the increasing in-bound tourism to Japan, give thanks for all who work in hospitality and the tourism sector in this country
- ✠ With more and more foreign workers being employed by mainstream Japanese companies, pray that they may all be treated fairly and respectfully by their employers





## The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

### الكنيسة الأسقفية في القدس والشرق الأوسط

- ✙ Pray for a lasting ceasefire in the Gaza war
- ✙ Pray for release of all captives
- ✙ Pray for increased humanitarian aid to those in Gaza in desperate need
- ✙ Pray for additional medical supplies, fuel, and staffing for our Ahli Hospital in Gaza City and clinic in Khan Younis



## The Anglican Church of Melanesia

- ✙ For the mission and ministry of the women on the frontline - their mission to bring justice and equality in the society.
- ✙ Our focus for this month is for the ministry of seafarers.
- ✙ For the mission of the Sisters at Christian Care Centre, a refuge for women and their children.
- ✙ For the nations of Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands who bath recently celebrated their Independence Days

## Angliken Sios bilong Papua Niu Gini

### The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea



- ✙ Some parts of our Highlands Region are currently facing draught for almost three months now, Pray that God will send rain.
- ✙ Politicians making broken promises like free education and yet parents are asked to pay project fees etc....
- ✙ Government to provide and carry out basic Health and Education services to the most remotest part of the country
- ✙ Culture and traditional customs are no longer practiced because of Western world influence of Facebook, TikTok etc.
- ✙ Regardless of our 800 plus languages, pray that we will stand together as one people and one nation in unity.

## The Episcopal Church in the Philippines



- ✠ Give thanks for the successful consecration and installation of the Rt. Rev. James Boliget as Bishop of Central Philippines and pray for Prime Bishop-elect Nestor Poltic as he prepares for his installation as Primate of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines. Pray also for the Episcopal Diocese of North Central Philippines as it prepares for the election of their next bishop. May they faithfully proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom by representing Christ and his Church; guarding the faith, unity, and discipline of the whole Church; proclaiming the Word of God; acting in Christ's name for the reconciliation of the world and the building up of the Church; and ordaining others to continue Christ's ministry.
- ✠ Give thanks for the fruitful visit to the Philippines of Archbishop Don Tamihere and his delegation from Tikanga Māori in the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, and pray that the developing relationship between the indigenous peoples of these two churches and the sharing of indigenous spirituality may continue to be mutually inspiring, especially for the enhancement of teaching, baptising and nurturing new believers.
- ✠ In solidarity with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem during this time of war in the Holy Land, we continue to unite in prayer with the Archbishop of Canterbury to call for a ceasefire, the release of hostages, and for unfettered aid for the people of Gaza as the Anglican Communion strives to challenge violence of every kind and pursues peace and reconciliation. Pray for Archbishop Hosam Naoum as he leads his diocese during this difficult time and for the ministry of Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza as its staff continue to dedicate themselves to responding to human need by loving service.
- ✠ Give thanks for the success of the National Youth Assembly (NYA) at the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John in Quezon City and especially for the enthusiasm shown by participants for the tree planting activity led by the National SKEP youth organization contributing to the ecological health and beauty of the ECP Mission Center. Pray that this enthusiasm will continue in to the future as the ECP strives to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustains and renews the life of the earth.



**The Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa**  
**Prayer Focus this month:**  
**The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)**

**WEEK 1**

**A Prayer for the Leadership of the Church and the Nations**

*Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.* – Hebrews 13.7

God has guided us into the second half of the year 2024 and CAPA, with gratitude invites you to join us to pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion). Join us to give thanks for the ministry and mission of the Church under the leadership of the Most Rev Henry Ndukuba, the Metropolitan and Primate of All Nigeria, with his College of Bishops and Archbishops and all others who share in the leadership of the church in Nigeria. Join us to pray for the national, community, faith and sectional leaders in Nigeria who together with the church work towards the peace of the nation and to provide accountable leadership and stewardship of God's people. We pray for wisdom for these leaders as they shepherd the people of faith and none that they may be enlightened by the Holy Spirit to pursue justice, peace and respect for each other in their various faith and sectional communities, and clans.

**WEEK 2**

**A Prayer for Mercy, Healing and Fruitfulness**

*Therefore, the Lord waits to be gracious to you; therefore, he will rise up to show mercy to you. For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him.*

– Isaiah 30.18

In the second week of the month of August, we pray that God will make his people in the Anglican Church and in the nation of Nigeria fruitful, to increase and multiply in all their endeavours and to be healed of all their infirmities and diseases. We pray for God's continued healing of the trauma suffered by the many families and communities affected by the recurrent insurgent attacks and suicide bombings, especially the most recent one in Bono and other states and their devastating effects on lives and properties. Join us to pray for the safety of the girls who have been abducted from schools and communities and for comfort for their families even as we pray for the Lord's justice to speak in their favour. We remember and pray for the many people who have migrated from their communities



to seek protection from the ravages of the times and seasons in the country including those fleeing from the activities of bandits and insurgents in the northern part of Nigeria and those facing the impacts of various environmental distastes especially in the Niger Delta region. Let us pray for the various health and healing ministries of the Church and for all whose work and ministries bring healing and restoration to the sick, the traumatized and those challenged emotionally and psychologically within the province and the country of Nigeria.

### **WEEK 3**

#### **A Prayer for Peace**

*Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.* – John 14,27

In the third week of August, we invite you to join us to pray for the peace of the nation and dioceses of the Church of Nigeria. We pray for peaceful co-existence of the various tribal and faith groups in the nation of Nigeria and between Nigeria and her neighbours. We pray for God's peace to undergird and rule the church and in the nation and for the pursuit of justice and godly actions in governance, commerce and trade, education and life molding actions and within the various institutions of the nations. We pray that the nation and her people will know and experience the peace of Christ during the current challenging socio-economic circumstances which has resulted in various uprising and protests. We pray for peaceful social and political relations between various ethnic groups and peoples in the country of Nigeria for the betterment of the nation and her people.

### **WEEK 4**

#### **A Prayer for Love**

*This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you* – John 15.12

In the fourth week of the month, we pray for endearing love among the various faiths, tribes, communities and the members of the various dioceses in Nigeria and the nation. We pray for love among people of differing faith, tribe, and political and economic affiliations in the constituent parishes and dioceses of the Church and of the country, Nigeria. Let us pray that all people will bear the burden of loving one another and experience same in their personal and communal lives even as they undertake their various missions and ministries in love and in service to each other. Let us pray that policies, programmes, actions and thoughts of leaders and members of the church and faith, tribal and social communities will be directed by love for one another regardless of gender, ethnicity, creed, and nationality; that the mission of the church will be motivated and undergirded by genuine love for all people of faith and none, acknowledging that all are created in the image and likeness of our Sovereign God. Pray for all who are socially disconnected, lonely and without any social connection or support.

## Additional Prayers

### Thanksgiving and Celebration

- ✠ Join the Diocese of Onitsha in the Church of Nigeria to give thanks to God for the ministry of the late Rt Rev Ajayi Crowther, the pioneer missionary to the Niger and the first African Anglican Bishop. The 160th Anniversary of the episcopal ordination of Bishop Crowther was marked by the Church of Nigeria and by the Onitsha diocese with the unveiling of a human-sized statue in his honour and to celebrate his ministry of working towards the end of slave trade, the adoption of cash crop plantations as substitute to income from slave trade and for his pioneering work of translating the bible into the Yoruba language. It can be said that Bishop Crowther ministry laid the solid foundation for the expansion and growth of the Anglican Church in Nigeria.
- ✠ We join the Church of the Province of Central Africa to give thanks to God for the success of the Electoral synod that elected the Rev Canon Dennis George Milanzi as the new Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Eastern Zambia on Saturday, June 29 (Feast of Saints Peter and Paul). By his election, Canon Milanzi will be the successor to Bishop William Joseph Mchombo who was translated to the Diocese of Upper Shire in Malawi. The Rev. Canon Dennis Milanzi is currently the Director of Theological Education by Extension, Zambia (TEEZ), an ecumenical institution that supports and provides capacity enhancement initiatives to various member churches in Zambia and in recent times has expanded into DR Congo and other countries within the Central Africa region. Canon Milanzi is a very active member and an Eco-Theologian with the Green Anglicans Movement, Africa (an initiative of CAPA)
- ✠ We join the Anglican Church of Kenya and the Diocese of Nyahururu to give thanks to God for the success of the election, episcopal ordination and enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Major (Rtd) Samson Mburu Gachathi as the new Bishop of the Diocese in succession to the Rt. Rev. Stephen Mwaura Kabora who retired from office on December 31, 2023, after serving in office for ten years. Bishop Samson is the third bishop of the Diocese which was formed by the subdivision of the Diocese of Nakuru on January 1, 1998.
- ✠ In the Diocese of Nakuru in the Anglican Church of Kenya, Ven. Anthony Mambo has been elected, consecrated and enthroned as the 6th Bishop of the diocese in succession to the Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Muchai. Prior to his election, consecration and enthronement, Bishop Mambo served in various roles in the Diocese for over 20 years and held governance roles in various organizations and Departments within the Diocese. Bishop Mambo holds a master's degree in development studies, an undergraduate degree in Psychology from Egerton University, a Higher Diploma in Psychological Counselling from the Kenya Institute of Professional Counselling (Kenya Methodist University) and a Diploma in Theology from St. Paul's University. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Development Studies from Kisii University.

- ✠ In the Diocese of Nambale in the Anglican Church of Kenya, Ven. Canon Isaiah Obuya has been elected, consecrated and enthroned as the 4th Diocesan Bishop in succession to the Rt Rev Dr Robert Magina who served the diocese as Bishop from 2015 to 2023. Bishop Obuya holds a Master's degree in Biblical Studies from the Africa International University, an undergraduate degree in Theology from Scott Christian University (Machakos), and a Diploma in Bible and Theology from the Moffat College of the Bible, Kijabe. He is currently pursuing his Doctoral studies in Religion at Kisii University.
- ✠ We join the Anglican Diocese of Koforidua (Internal Province of Ghana, Church of the Province of West Africa) to give thanks to God for the success of the Third Session of the Fourteenth Synod of the Diocese held in the parish of St Augustine of Canterbury, Larteh. Join us to pray for the leadership of the Rt Rev Felix Annancy, the College of Chancellor and Registrars, the Houses of Clergy and Laity who are taking forward the significant decisions taken at the synod. The synod was under the theme "Doing God's work God's way"

### **New Ministries**

- ✠ Pray for CAPA and her ecumenical partners in their advocacy work on ending femicide and other forms of Gender-based Violence in Kenya and other African countries. The increasing incidence of femicide in Kenya caught the attention of the ecumenical partners as the statistics kept rising from the beginning of the year 2024. At a joint multistakeholder forum of ecumenical and inter-faith partners, an action plan with the slogan "Silence is violence; say NO to Femicide" was adopted and it included various actions at various levels to help address the problem. In Kenya and other countries with strong cultural underlying factors underpinning femicide, some of the actions include using traditional and cultural leaders to raise awareness that will help discontinue cultural practices that regard women and girls as "properties" of men.
- ✠ Join us and the Zambia Anglican Council to give thanks for the appointment of the Ven Jackson Jones Katete as the new General Secretary of the Council. As General Secretary, Ven. Katete will be facilitating and coordinating the activities of the Council as the central point for the ministries of the Anglican Church in Zambia. Archdeacon. Katete takes over from the Rev. Canon Rogers Banda who was Secretary for many years

### **Rest in Peace**

- ✠ We join the ACK Diocese of Kapsabet and the family to celebrate the life of our brother and Father in God, the Rev. Kemei Wasike, who until his demise was the Vicar of the Eisero Parish in the Diocese of Kapsabet. Join us to pray for his wife and children, the parish and the circle of friends and relations. May Lord grant him rest eternal and let light perpetual shine upon him.

## Prayer Requests from Various Provinces

### Kenya

- ✠ After the devastation of the floods, Kenya has slipped into another cycle of political and economic unrest with civil society groups and some political parties calling for the stepping down of the president. A youth group called Gen Z has led a number of peaceful demonstrations over the last couple of weeks, but they have been met with police high-handedness and the unleashing of terror and police brutality leading to the abduction of some influence youth leaders, arrest of some demonstrators and the gunning down and killing of 23 persons. While there are various under currents to instability in the country (following the post-elections political demonstrations) the straw that broke the camel's back and brought the youth onto the streets was the 2024 Finance Bill which raised taxes, levies and tariffs including VAT charges on bread and sanitary towels among others. While the President has rescinded from signing the Bill into law, the young people are calling for a national dialogue, a commitment to deal with corruption, financial mismanagement and the prosecution of all persons who have been found culpable in the latest Auditor General's report.

### The Democratic Republic of Congo

- ✠ Join us to pray for the restoration of peace and calm in Eastern Goma following the outbreak of attacks on communities by alleged members of the M23 group. This group is one of the over 146 rebel groups fighting for control of various parts of the Democratic Republic of Congo, a situation that has led to death, maiming of innocent people, violent displacement of entire communities, brutalities, abduction and sexual enslavement of women and girls by the rebels.
- ✠ *Diocese of Katanga:* Let us join the Diocese of Katanga to give thanks for the success of their 10th Diocesan synod which voted for the creation of the new Diocese of Kalemie which borders the Diocese of Tanganyika in Tanzania. Pray for the Provincial Synod of the Anglican Church in Congo that will receive and adopt the synod resolution and approve of the election of the person elected to be the bishop of the new diocese.

### ABMAID Partners' Conference

- ✠ We invite you to join us to give thanks for the ABM/AID Asia and Africa Partners' conference which took place on July 16, 24 and 25, 2024. Pray for all the participating partners and for the leadership of the Australian Board of Mission (ABM) and the related agencies in cooperation with ABM and the Asia and Africa partners.

### CAPA/CTEAC Training Workshop

We invite you to join us to give thanks for the successful CAPA/CTEAC training workshop for heads of Theological Education institutions in Africa which took place at the St Julian Retreat Centre, Limuru, Kenya from 15 to 19 July 15 to 19.

## CAPA

- ✦ Join us to give thanks for the success of the Standing Committee meeting held on June 25, 2024, to receive, discuss and approve the 2023 Audited accounts and to consider matters that were remitted to the Primate's and Spouses' retreat held from 10-15 July in Abuja, Nigeria. Please join us in giving thanks for the success of the arrangements towards the retreat and especially for the Church of Nigeria who hosted it.
- ✦ Join us to continue praying for the work of the Planning Committee of the CAPA Triple Event – 13th CAPA Assembly, CAPA@45 and the Third All Africa Bishops' Conference (AABC III) all to be held in 2025. Please continue to pray for the leaders of the various action Committees as they commence the uptake of their various tasks towards the planning, implementation and accounting for successful events.

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20 August.**

## Pray for CAPA's Ministry

We invite you to pray for CAPA's work in the year 2024 and for our role expressed as in the acronym SPAACER

- ✦ **Sustainability** – of the Church's presence and ministry on the continent
- ✦ **Public Image** – shaping and upholding a positive image of the Anglican Church within Africa and in the global space.
- ✦ **Accompanying** – Provinces in various processes and initiatives, including peace building
- ✦ **Advocacy** – Shaping, coordinating, and participating in advocacy initiatives with Provinces and other organizations.
- ✦ **Coordinating** – creating safe space for Provinces to interact and engage on relevant pastoral issues with some sense of coherence.
- ✦ **Equipping** – the Church leadership at various levels with appropriate skills for effective functioning as transformational leaders
- ✦ **Renewing** – Church life and fellowship between the provinces as well as their commitment to the Africa transforming agenda

### For resource support and commitment to ...

- ✦ 2024 Core Budget funding and Programmes
- ✦ Church and Community Mobilization Process (CCMP) Envisioning and Facilitators' training in Eswatini
- ✦ Sustainable Theological Education in Africa in 2024

## National Days

Join us to remember and pray this month for the Independence Anniversaries and/or National Days of –

- 1 August      The Republic of Benin: National Day
- 7 August      La République de Côte d'Ivoire : National Day
- 11 August     The Republic of Chad: National Day
- 15 August     The Republic of the Congo: Independence Day
- 17 August     The Gabonese Republic : National Day



Aug	Lectionary and ABM Commemorations and the Australian Cycle of Prayer	ABM Partner + <i>development arm</i> – where appropriate	UN Days see <a href="http://www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks">www.un.org/en/observances/international-days-and-weeks</a> for more information about each
Thu 1	<p>Holy Men and Women of the Old Testament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoff Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Kenya</li> <li><i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Breastfeeding Week begins (till 7 August)</li> </ul>
Fri 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoff Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Denise Ferguson and Tim Harris, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Melanesia</li> <li><i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i></li> <li><i>See p. 6</i></li> </ul>	
Sat 3	<p>Stephen, deacon and first martyr – if not observed on 26 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</li> <li><i>Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</i></li> <li><i>See p. 6</i></li> </ul>	



Sun 4	<p>Pentecost 11 [OS 18]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Ballarat – Bishop Garry Weatherill, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Central Africa</li> <li><i>The Zambia Anglican Council's Outreach Program</i></li> </ul>	
Mon 5	<p>Oswald, king and martyr († 642)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bathurst – Bishop Mark Calder, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of Myanmar</li> <li><i>CPM's Development Desk, and the diocesan Development Desks</i></li> </ul>	
Tue 6	<p>The Transfiguration of our Lord Hiroshima Day, 1945</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bendigo – Bishop Matt Brain, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church in the Philippines</li> <li><i>E-CARE, a community development organisation of the ECP</i></li> <li><i>See p. 7</i></li> </ul>	
Wed 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Brisbane – Archbishop Jeremy Greaves, Bishops Cameron Venables and John Roundhill, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East</li> <li><i>The Diocese of Jerusalem's Development Desk</i></li> <li><i>See p. 6</i></li> </ul>	

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Thu 8	<p>Dominic, priest and friar († 1221)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Philippine Independent Church – (<i>Iglesia Filipina Independiente</i>, IFI)</li> <li>VIMROD – the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Office for Development of the IFI)</li> </ul>	
Fri 9	<p>Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union († 1921)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short; Bishops Carol Wagner and Stephen Pickard, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Armitage Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples</li> </ul>
Sat 10	<p>Lawrence, deacon and martyr at Rome († 258)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia</li> <li>The Anglican Missions Board, AMB</li> <li>See p. 4</li> </ul>	

<b>Sun 11</b>	<b>Pentecost 12</b> [OS 19] • The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people	• The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – <i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> – 香港聖公會 <i>See p. 5</i>	• World Steelpan Day
<b>Mon 12</b>	• The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people	• The Anglican Church of Japan – <i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> – 日本聖公会) <i>See p. 5</i>	• International Youth Day
<b>Tue 13</b>	Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer († 1667) • Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people	• The Anglican Church of Korea	
<b>Wed 14</b>	Twentieth-century martyrs, including Grand Duchess Elizabeth of Russia († 1918), Maximilian Kolbe († 1940), Maria Skobtsova († 1945), and Martin Luther King Jr († 1968) • Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people	• The Church of Bangladesh	
<b>Thu 15</b>	<b>Mary, Mother of our Lord</b> • The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people	• The Church of Ceylon	

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Fri 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Newcastle – Bishop Peter Stuart; Bishops Charlie Murry and Sonia Roulston, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of North India</li> </ul>	
Sat 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of North Queensland – Bishop Keith Joseph, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Pakistan</li> </ul>	
Sun 18	<p>Pentecost 13 [OS 20]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of North West Australia – Bishop Darrell Parker, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of South India</li> </ul>	
Mon 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishops Kate Wilmot, Hans Christiansen and David Bassett, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of the Province of South-East Asia (covers Malaysia and Singapore, with missionary congregations in Nepal, Indonesia, Thailand and some parts of Indo-China)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Humanitarian Day</li> </ul>

<b>Tue</b> <b>20</b>	<p>Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot and teacher († 1153)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Riverina – Bishop Donald Kirk, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of South Sudan</li> <li><i>The Church's Health Commission, the Education Commission, and the Development and Relief Agency, SUDRA</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b> <b>21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Rockhampton – Bishop Peter Grice, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Episcopal Church of Sudan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism</li> </ul>
<b>Thu</b> <b>22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Sydney – Archbishop Kanishka Raffel; Bishops Peter Lin, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Gary Koo, Peter Hayward, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief</li> </ul>
<b>Fri</b> <b>23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Tasmania – Bishop Richard Conde, Bishop Chris Jones, clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nungalinga College, Darwin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition</li> </ul>
<b>Sat</b> <b>24</b>	<p><b>Bartholomew, apostle and martyr</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Murray – the Ven Simon Waters (Administrator), the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pray for the staff and students of Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns, as they grieve the college's closure.</li> </ul>	

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Sun 25	Pentecost 14 [OS 21] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of the Northern Territory – Bishop Greg Anderson, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Episcopal Relief and Development (USA)</li> </ul>	
Mon 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Wangaratta – Bishop Clarence Bester, the clergy and people.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (Canada)</li> </ul>	
Tue 27	Monica, mother of Augustine († 387) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Willochra – Bishop Jeremy James TSSF, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>USPG (UK and Ireland)</li> </ul>	
Wed 28	Augustine of Hippo, bishop and teacher († 430) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy</li> </ul>	

<p><b>Thu</b> <b>29</b></p>	<p>The Beheading of John the Baptist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Theological Colleges and Church Schools of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anglican Discipleship – Jesus-Shaped Life</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day against Nuclear Tests</li> </ul>
<p><b>Fri</b> <b>30</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mission Agencies of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CAPA, the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa <i>See p. 8</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances</li> </ul>
<p><b>Sat</b> <b>31</b></p>	<p>Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary († 651)</p> <p>John Bunyan, preacher and spiritual writer († 1688)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Religious Orders of the Anglican Church of Australia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Mothers' Union</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day for People of African Descent</li> </ul>
<p><b>Displacements and/or Omissions this month</b></p> <p>4 Aug: John Baptist Vianney, parish priest at Ars, France († 1895)</p> <p>11 Aug: Claire of Assisi, abbess († 1252)</p> <p>11 Aug: John Henry Newman, cardinal and theologian († 1890)</p>			

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<p><i><b>Pray for ABM</b></i></p>	<p>God of all, bless the Anglican Board of Mission as it serves the Church in Australia and our partner churches overseas. Inspire its work and its vision that all may come to know your justice, your peace and your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>
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