

# Partners Praying Together

## March 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.

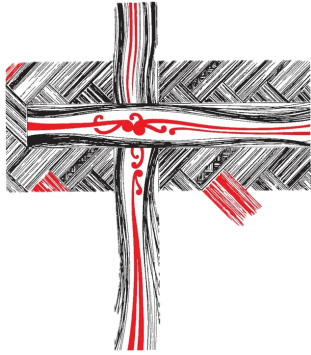
### **EACH DAY THIS MONTH**

- ✠ Lord Jesus Christ, as we journey with You through Lent and Passiontide towards Easter Day, may we always seek to bring glory to God just as you did: through fidelity, charity and integrity till our dying breath.
- ✠ Pray for all those negatively affected by unscrupulous business practices throughout Australia in various industries.
- ✠ Pray that Australia can remain a united and cohesive country and rid itself of social polarisation.
- ✠ Pray that Australia's economy can benefit all how live here, not just a select few.
- ✠ 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 the Ukraine.
- ✠ Lord Jesus Christ, may our song be always of Your lovingkindness towards us. Help us to go with you as far as You call us, taking up the cross and bearing it for Your sake so that people may be drawn to praise and serve you.

# Prayer Points

from our

## Overseas Partners



The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand  
and Polynesia

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

- ✚ Please pray for the new government as it settles in and introduces policies and activities promised during its first 100 days in office. We pray that those on the margins and the 'voiceless' – the sort of people Jesus always looked out for – are not overlooked.
- ✚ We give thanks for the Anglican church representatives who met in Cairns for the ORAC (Oceania Regional Advisory Council) meeting. Thank you for the work of the Anglican Alliance and for the Rev Dr John Deane, ORAC Chair, and for Karen Chute, ORAC Facilitator, who is based in Suva. We give thanks for safe travels for all involved and pray for long-lasting and sustainable outcomes.
- ✚ We give thanks also for the Fono that met in Cairns immediately after ORAC. The annual conference brings together primates and provincial secretaries from the four independent-yet-interdependent churches in the region: the Anglican Church of Melanesia, the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, the Anglican Church of Australia, and the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.
- ✚ We give thanks for the generosity of the Anglican Church, Tearfund and many thousands of individuals who have given so generously to the Gaza appeal coordinated by the Anglican Alliance and working with the Diocese of Jerusalem. We pray for those working on the ground who are tirelessly working to bring hope and comfort to those who are afflicted.
- ✚ We pray for communities which are still struggling with the impact of Cyclone Gabrielle that hit northern and eastern parts of the North Island a year ago. Thank you for the commitment of local marae and Anglican congregations in being such effective first-responders.

## 香港聖公會

### The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

#### The Anglican Church of Hong Kong

- ✠ For all members of the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui*, for their willingness to shun all evils, and keeping their hope in the resurrection of Christ.
- ✠ For those who have committed to the weekly retreats this Lent, may they find the inner joy of prayer amidst the urban life of the city.
- ✠ For the ecumenical talks series organised by the Focolare Movement, and in late March, the Anglican-Catholic joint Passover meal. May our bonds overcome our differences in our shared path towards Christ.



## 日本聖公会

### The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

#### The Anglican Communion in Japan

- ✠ Give thanks for those called to ordained vocations within the NSKK and pray for the current cohort of theological college students as they undertake their examinations
- ✠ This month sees the 13th anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake; pray for all those still living with its painful legacy. Remember also those rebuilding their lives following the Noto Peninsular Earthquake of New Year's Day this year.
- ✠ Give thanks for those who volunteer their time to serve on diocesan synods and in other capacities in provincial or ecumenical meetings and ask for God's inspiration for all meetings taking place this month
- ✠ With racial and other forms of discrimination becoming all too commonplace, please pray that the church might be a leader in recognizing and promoting the worth and value of each individual
- ✠ As the Diocese of Okinawa celebrates the 70th anniversary of mission starting there, give thanks for all that has taken place and those who have been part of the diocese's journey to date; pray also for the future of that troubled region
- ✠ This month marks the end of the calendar year for many organizations in Japan including the Church, so please pray for the eight clergy of the province who will be retiring; that God blesses them with rest and new challenges





## The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

### الكنيسة الأسقفية في القدس والشرق الأوسط

- ✠ Continue to pray for our staff, volunteers, and patients of al-Ahli Hospital, Gaza
- ✠ Pray for an end to the violence and bloodshed emanating from the war
- ✠ Pray for a renewed and vigorous recommitment of the world to working towards a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land.
- ✠ Give thanks for the election of the Rev Sean Semple to be the sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf.



## The Anglican Church of Kenya

- ✠ Pray for His Grace the Archbishop, the Most Rev Dr Jackson Ole Sapit as he leads the Church amidst the difficult political climate in the Country.
- ✠ Pray for the Provincial Secretary, the Rt Rev Prof Joseph Galgalo as he assists the Archbishop and lead the national secretariat.
- ✠ Pray for peaceful transition/bishops elections in three dioceses, namely Nakuru, Nyahururu and Nambale.
- ✠ Pray for peaceful coexistence between the President (Executive), Parliament (Legislature) and Judiciary that each will work in their spaces with honesty and integrity. The peace of the Church depends on the peace of the nation
- ✠ Pray for tolerance among our leaders with different political ideologies.
- ✠ Pray against the spirit of suicide among young people, especially men.



## The Anglican Church of Melanesia

- ✠ National General Election – The Solomon Islands will be having a national general election on April 2024. Prayers for peaceful Elections and Justice in the process.
- ✠ Climate Change and Sea level rise – For the work of our climate observatory team and for those communities affected by sea level rise.
- ✠ Some parts of Melanesia had been affected by cyclone and flooding. – We need prayers for the work of the work of the

Church in coordinating the recovery process on those who had been affected by natural disasters.

## **The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea**

- ✠ Pray for the stability of PNG Government and for the economic crises the country is currently undergoing.
- ✠ PNG health and education is in desperate need of rehabilitation as it is a fundamental human right. Government must take every opportunity to ensure that all facilities do not become a liability but provide vital services to the people in the communities.
- ✠ We give thanks to our Heavenly Father for igniting the spirit of evangelism and intentional discipleship in every home, cell groups, workplaces, media and the province as a whole.



## **The Episcopal Church in the Philippines**

- ✠ Give thanks for the award of Trinitian Fellow 2024 to the Most Rev Brent Harry W Alawas by the ECP's Trinity University of Asia on the occasion of its 61st Founding Anniversary, and pray that this honor will open more opportunities to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom to the wider academic community.
- ✠ Give thanks for the long-term visit to the ECP's Saint Andrew's Theological Seminary of Dr Paulo Ueti, Anglican Communion Advisor on Theological Education & Interpretation/Translation, and pray that this opportunity to teach in the Philippines will inspire new appreciation for the Bible and the good news that it brings.
- ✠ Pray for the communities affected by flooding across Mindanao, especially for the ongoing emergency relief efforts.
- ✠ Pray with the National Council of Churches in the Philippines that the Philippine government will stamp out corruption, boost local agricultural production through genuine agrarian reform, deliver basic social services, and protect national sovereignty; and that the public will refrain from signing the current petition for a Charter Change to the 1987 Philippine Constitution being promoted at the wrong time, for the wrong reasons, and through deception.
- ✠ Give thanks for the successful solarization project at St Vincent's Episcopal Church in Tabuk City established under the ECP Decarbonization Program which has already reduced its carbon footprint by 37%, and pray for the success of more projects to achieve the ECP's target of net zero Greenhouse gas emissions.





## The Episcopal Church in South Sudan

- ✠ Let us thank God for calm that returned to Yei as many returnees continued coming back from Uganda and Congo and residents continue to be engaged in trade and farming production, according to a senior yei county official.
- ✠ Let us continue to pray against violence in Unity state where Cattle raiders kill two men in Mayom, took 50 cattle and abducted two children, according to a senior state government officials.
- ✠ Let us pray for proper funding of justice institutions in the country as United Nations Human Rights Commission in

South Sudan lamented the ineffective presence of judiciary in most parts of the country due to lack of resources.

- ✠ Let us pray for justice institutions to be in a place to address the persistent human rights violations; the widespread of sexual and gender-based violence, child and women abductions and inter-communal violence.
- ✠ Let us continue to pray against cattle raiding in Lakes state as a police sergeant in Malek Payam of Rumbek Central County was killed during an attempted cattle raid by armed raiders, Let us pray for the police to identify and apprehend the perpetrators and bring them to book.
- ✠ Let us continue to pray against cattle raiding in Jonglie state where at least five people were killed, a girl child abducted, and 200 cattle raided in a separate attack by armed youth in Akobo and Uror Counties of Jonglei State, according to an official.
- ✠ Let us continue to pray against the increase of child and women abduction in Jonglie and Greater Pibor Administrative area that leads to killings, forced marriages, sexual slavery, and even trafficking by armed youth.
- ✠ Let us pray for UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) that is helping the humanitarian response by ensuring a consistent protective presence through patrols in the area and fostering harmonious relationships between host communities and new arrivals along the border between South Sudan and Sudan given that scarce resources are bound to cause friction.
- ✠ Let us continue to pray for peace in Sudan as South Sudan urge African Union (AU) intervention to restore peace and stability in Sudan.
- ✠ Let us to pray for peace in Sudan, as conflict continues unabated in Sudan, the influx of returnees and refugees continues into South Sudan. Every day, the transit camp in Renk receives between 1,000-1,500 new arrivals, according to a humanitarian worker.



**The Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa**  
**Prayer Focus this month:**  
**The Provinces of Alexandria and Burundi**



**WEEK 1**

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

*The mouths of the righteous utter wisdom, and their tongues speak what is just. The law of their God is in their hearts; their feet do not slip.* – Psalm 37.30-31

As we begin the third month of the new year, our prayers go up for the Provinces of Alexandria and Burundi and their constituent dioceses. While giving thanks to God for the new year, we commit to Him the churches in the two provinces as we pray for their leaders, members and their various communities. As we give thanks for the new year, we invite you to join us to pray for the Primate of Alexandria, the **Most Rev Dr Samy Shehata** and the Primate of Burundi, the **Most Rev Sixbert Macumi** and the Bishops of the constituent dioceses of Alexandria and Burundi. Join us to lift in prayer the community and political leaders of Egypt, Burundi and the countries of North and the Horn of Africa as we pray for wisdom, and for every virtue that these leaders and others require to rule their nations and to lead the Church of God in their countries. Let us pray for the leaders of other faith communities within the countries that enlightened by the Holy Spirit, they will pursue justice, peace and respect for each other in their various faith and clan communities.

**WEEK 2**

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

*'But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds', declares the LORD, 'because you are called an outcast, Zion for whom no one cares'.* – Jeremiah 30.17

This second week of the month, we invite you to pray that the mercies of God (which are new every morning), his compassion, healing, and restoration will find the people and communities of the constituent countries and dioceses of the Provinces of Alexandria and Burundi. In particular, let us remember those in challenging situations, especially in Ethiopia and neighbouring communities, Burundi and the standoff with Rwanda, the refugees from Sudan who have crossed over into Egypt among others. Join us to pray for

migrant workers and various categories of people from the various countries in the provinces of Alexandria and Burundi in other places across the world that they will contribute to the fruitfulness of the economies of their host nations, foster healing, and healthy relations and that they will live in harmony with the indigens and show mercy one to another. Let us pray for the various ministries of the Church that provide health and healing and for all whose work brings healing and restoration to the sick, the traumatized and those challenged emotionally and psychologically.

### **WEEK 3**

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

*You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.* – Isaiah 26.3

In the third week of the month of February, we stand in prayer for the peace of the nations of provinces of Alexandria and Burundi – within their communities, among the various people groups and with their neighbours. We pray for God's peace to undergird and rule in the church and in the nations and for the pursuit of justice and godly actions in governance, commerce and trade, education and life molding actions and within the judiciary. Join us to pray for peaceful social and political relations between various ethnic groups and peoples in the nations that make up the provinces of Alexandria and Burundi and for peaceful co-existence among people of all faith and none.

### **WEEK 4**

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

*And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.* – Colossians 3.14

In the fourth week of the month, join us to pray for endearing love among the various faith and tribal communities in the provinces of Alexandria and Burundi; that love will undergird all relations between faith and ethnic groups and communities. Let us pray that all people in the constituent dioceses of the provinces of Alexandria and Burundi will bear the burden of loving another and experience same in their personal and communal lives even as they undertake their various missions and ministries. Let us pray that the actions and thoughts of leaders and members of the church and 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 us to thank God for the success of the CAPA Primates meeting and for the Prayer Session (last month) and the Primates' and Spouses' Retreat (in July) to be hosted by the Church of Nigeria in Abuja
- ✠ Join the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Anglican Diocese of Tema to give thanks for the successful holding of the first Special Synod of the newly-created diocese.
- ✠ Join us to give thanks to God for the successful compilation of the reflections shared following the CAPA-Green Anglicans Africa facilitated Eco-Theology Course.
- ✠ Join us to give thanks for the success of the first ever Africa Female Bishops' Gathering which took place last month in Nairobi. Let us pray for the outcome of their conversation and their plans going forward.

### **New Ministries**

- ✠ Let us lift up thanks for the Episcopal Ordination and Enthronement of the new Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Nkoranza (Internal Province of Ghana, West Africa). The episcopal ordination and enthronement took place on 3 February 2024. Pray for the Primate and the College of Bishops from across the Province of West Africa.

## **Prayer Requests from Various Provinces**

### **Kenya**

- ✠ Pray against increasing incidence of femicide and Gender-based violence in Kenya and its impact on homes and communities. Join us to pray for the leadership of the nation and the security agencies as they work to deal with these unfortunate events.
- ✠ Pray for the victims of various accidents especially those of the recent gas explosion at Embakasi in which over 200 people sustained various degrees of burns and some also died. May the Lord console the bereaved and heal those affected.

### **Tanzania and beyond**

- ✠ Join us to pray for relief and support for the victims of the recent floods that occurred in Tanzania and in other parts of the continent including Mauritius, Madagascar and parts of Kenya

### **Sudan**

- ✠ Let us continue to pray for the peace of Sudan and for the safety and security of the people within and those displaced by the incidence of the fights.

## Ghana

- ✠ Join us to celebrate and pray for the new leadership of the St. Nicholas Seminary – the Ven Joseph Bain-Doodu who has been confirmed as the Dean and the appointment of the Ven Joseph Otoo Ayeh as the Vice Dean of the seminary. For an article about the institution, see [livingchurch.org/2023/05/18/the-seminarians-of-st-nicholas](https://livingchurch.org/2023/05/18/the-seminarians-of-st-nicholas).

## 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 –

- 6 March        The Republic of Ghana: Independence Day
- 12 March      The Republic of Mauritius: National Day
- 20 March      The Republic of Tunisia: Independence Day
- 21 March      The Republic of Namibia: Independence Day

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<b>Fri</b> <b>1</b>	David, Bishop of Menevia, Wales († 601) • The Anglican Church of Australia; The Primate – Archbishop Geoff Smith; the General Secretary – Anne Hywood; the General Synod and the Standing Committee	• The Anglican Church of Kenya • <i>ADS-Eastern, a branch of the Anglican Church of Kenya's Anglican Development Services</i> <i>See p. 6</i>	• World Seagrass Day • Zero Discrimination Day [UNAIDS]
<b>Sat</b> <b>2</b>	Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, missionary († 672) • The Diocese of Adelaide – Archbishop Geoff Smith; Bishops Chris McLeod, Denise Ferguson and Tim Harris, the clergy and people	• The Anglican Church of Melanesia • <i>The ACOM Board of Mission</i> <i>See p. 6</i>	
<b>Sun</b> <b>3</b>	Lent 3 • The Diocese of Armidale – Bishop Rod Chiswell, the clergy and people	• The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea • <i>Anglicare-PNG, a community development organization of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea</i> <i>See p. 7</i>	• World Wildlife Day

<p><b>Mon</b> <b>4</b></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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tue</b> <b>5</b></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>	
<p><b>Wed</b> <b>6</b></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> </ul> <p>See p. 7</p>	
<p><b>Thu</b> <b>7</b></p>	<p>Perpetua and her companions, martyrs at Carthage († 203)</p> <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> </ul> <p>See p. 6</p>	

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<b>Fri</b> <b>8</b>	John of God, worker among the sick and poor, Spain († 1550) • The Diocese of Bunbury – Bishop Ian Coutts, the clergy and people	<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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Women's Day</li> </ul>
<b>Sat</b> <b>9</b>	Sister Emma SSA, Superior of the Society of the Sacred Advent, Queensland († 1939) • The Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn – Bishop Mark Short; Bishops Carol Wagner and Stephen Pickard, the clergy and people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Amity Foundation – an expression of the National Committee of the Three-Self Patriotic Movement of the Protestant Churches in China</li> </ul>	
<b>Sun</b> <b>10</b>	Lent 4 • Ministry to the Forces – Bishop Grant Dibden, chaplains and members of the Armed Forces	<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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Women Judges</li> </ul>



<b>Mon</b> <b>11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Gippsland – Bishop Richard Treloar, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Hong Kong – <i>Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui</i> – 香港聖公會 <i>See p. 5</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Tue</b> <b>12</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Grafton – Bishop Murray Harvey, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Japan – <i>Nippon Sei Ko Kai</i> – 日本聖公会) <i>See p. 5</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Wed</b> <b>13</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Aboriginal People of Australia – Bishop Chris McLeod, Aboriginal clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Anglican Church of Korea</li> </ul>	
<b>Thu</b> <b>14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander People of Australia – Torres Strait clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Bangladesh</li> </ul>	
<b>Fri</b> <b>15</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Melbourne – Archbishop Philip Freier; Bishops Andrew Curnow, Paul Barker, Genieve Blackwell, Brad Billings, Kate Prowd, the clergy and people</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church of Ceylon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day to Combat Islamophobia</li> </ul>
<b>Sat</b> <b>16</b>	<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>	

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<b>Sun 17</b>	<p><b>Lent 5 – Passiontide begins</b></p> <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>	
<b>Mon 18</b>	<p>Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop and teacher († 386)</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>	
<b>Tue 19</b>	<p><b>Joseph, husband of the BVM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Diocese of Perth – Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy; Bishop Kate Wilmot, 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>	
<b>Wed 20</b>	<p>Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, bishop and missionary († 687)</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> <li><i>See p. 8</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Happiness</li> <li>French Language Day</li> </ul>

<b>Thu 21</b>	<p>Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, martyr and liturgist († 1556)</p> <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>• Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination begins (till 27 Mar)</li> <li>• International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</li> <li>• World Poetry Day</li> <li>• International Day of Nowruz</li> <li>• World Down Syndrome Day</li> </ul>
<b>Fri 22</b>	<p>Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, teacher († 1711)</p> <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>• World Water Day</li> </ul>
<b>Sat 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>• World Meteorological Day</li> </ul>
<b>Sun 24</b>	<p>Palm Sunday – Holy Week begins</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>• Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, Cairns</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Tuberculosis Day</li> <li>• International Day for the Right to the Truth concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims</li> </ul>

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<b>Mon</b> <b>25</b>	<b>Holy Monday</b> <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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade</li> <li>International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing UN Staff Members</li> </ul>
<b>Tue</b> <b>26</b>	<b>Holy Tuesday</b> <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>	
<b>Wed</b> <b>27</b>	<b>Holy Wednesday</b> <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>	
<b>Thu</b> <b>28</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> <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>	

<b>Fri</b> <b>29</b>	<b>✠: Good Friday</b> <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>	
<b>Sat</b> <b>30</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b> <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. 9</i></li> </ul>	
<b>Sun</b> <b>31</b>	<b>Easter Day</b> <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>	
<b>Displacements and Omissions this March</b> 17 March – Patrick, bishop, missionary to Ireland († 461) 24 March – Paul Couturier, ecumenist († 1953); Óscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, martyr († 1980) 25 March – The Annunciation (transferred to 8 April) 29 March – John Keble, priest († 1866)			





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