## **Prayers for Oct/Nov 2025**

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Oct (Prisons Sunday)

Gracious God,

We give thanks that you are a God of compassion and loyal love. We pray your justice and righteousness to flow in every part of creation, stirring us to act, and be, your agents of peace in our communities. Lord in your mercy; hear our prayer. Amen

Sun 19th Oct

"My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth" Psalm 121:2

In all things, we start with you- may you be our first call for help in the simple tasks and the ones that appear overwhelming. Help us to be ever alert, and attentive for your response and to respond to your Spirit's prompting. Amen

Sun 26th Oct

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it" John 1:5 God of light and life,

Be with us in our changes of routine; resting, working and playing. Be the heart of all our joys and celebrations as well as our struggles and sorrows. Be with us as we seek to share your story and song in our being and doing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

"Praise to the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song," Psalm 149:1a

We pray for all those who have gone before us, inspired us through their faith and for ourselves. that our lives too, will reflect your glory and your grace to others around us.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Sun 9th Nov (Remembrance Sunday)

"Be still and know that I am God!, I am exalted among the nations. I am exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10

This is a time to pause, reflect and remember...all those who gave their lives, whether volunteer, conscript or civilian, in the world wars and in subsequent conflicts. For the veterans and those currently serving in the Armed Forces, Reservists, and all their families. In the ever-challenging task of peace keeping, and peace-making, may your wisdom speak loudly and clearly. Amen

Sun 16th Nov

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth: break forth into joyous song and sing praises." Psalm 98:4

A prayer from St Augustine of Hippo (354-430)

Grant us, O Lord, purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it. In your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sun 23rd Nov

"He [Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him." Colossians 1:15-16

We praise and worship you, O Christ our saviour, in all your power and in your vulnerability. Turning the expectations of the world, upside down and so reconciling us with God. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen

Sun 30th Nov (Advent 1)

"Keep awake..." Matthew 24:42

Holy God,

In this advent season, we wait; hopefully and actively.

Keep us awake to your presence, in the bustling busyness of this time, hold us still in your embrace, and keep us hopeful, that though each of us may mark this season in different ways, the beginning of this story, was a baby in a manger, whose song was and is peace to all on earth. Amen