

Tuesday 23... Pray for the 'God of creation, God of justice, God of the poor' conference taking place at Lee Abbey, Devon, this week. Pray for Christian Aid staff Ashley Leighton Plom and Christine Allen who will speak at the event.

Wednesday 24... Pray for freedom for those struggling with addiction, from within our parish and beyond.

Thursday 25... "Thy Kingdom Come" is a global week of prayer (25 May-4 June), inviting people all over the world to pray for more people to know Jesus. The London Diocese is encouraging congregations to pray for family and friends.

Friday 26... Pray for J. John and the plans for "Just One" in July.

Saturday 27... Last year Christian Aid week focused on Morsheda, whose life was constantly affected by flooding. Her house has now been moved to higher ground and rebuilt by CA partners, GUK. Morsheda and her family now also have a latrine and will be supported with cattle in the coming months.

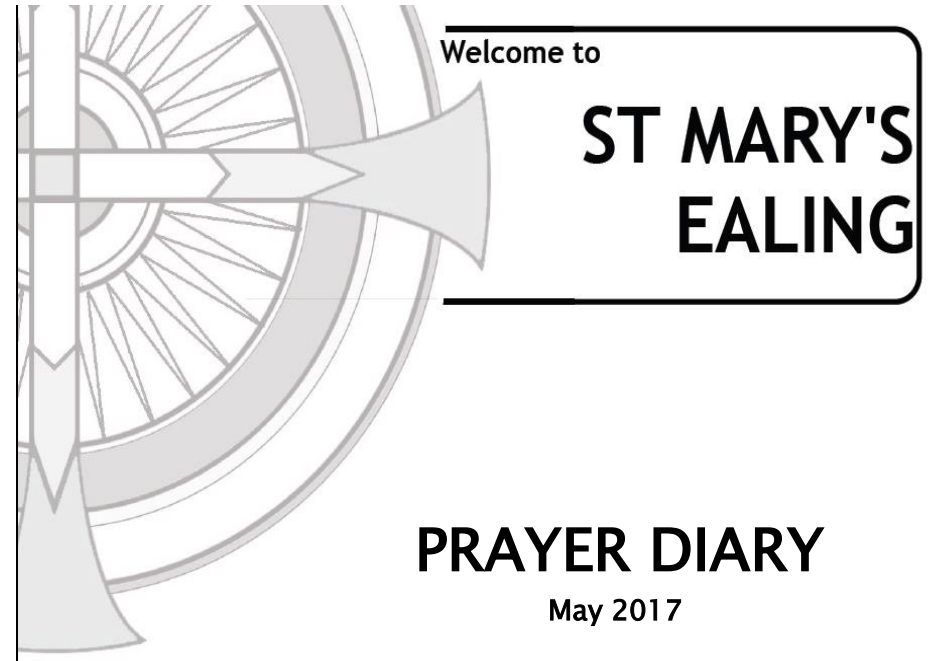
Sunday 28... Pray for the people of North Korea, for wisdom for those dealing with the leaders of that country and for peace.

Monday 29... Pray for all families and children at the beginning of half term week.

Tuesday 30... Pray for Brian Everett as he settles in to his role as Church Warden. Give thanks for Wayne Leighton as he continues to faithfully serve alongside Brian, and for Tim Cheung who recently retired from the role.

Wednesday 31... Pray for the many people in our parish who do not yet know the Lord, that we may have the courage and opportunity to reach out to them.

Please supply any prayer requests for June 2017 by Thursday 11th May 2017 to office@stmarysealing.org.uk



Christian Aid has been an International Development Charity for over 70 years. They work with people, of all faiths and none, in around 50 countries. Christian Aid has a vision – an end to poverty – and we believe that vision can become a reality. Christian Aid week is 14th – 20th May.

Mission Secretary: Jean Barclay

Please pray or thank God for...

Monday 1... Pray for all who speak on behalf of Christian Aid across the UK and Ireland, that they will encourage, inspire and challenge all who hear to live out the gospel imperative of ending extreme poverty.

Tuesday 2... It was good to see Matt Pye last month and hear about his work with YWAM. Pray for joy and wisdom for him and Lacey as

they prepare for their forthcoming wedding, and for good weather on that day.

Wednesday 3... Interserve: Elspeth is well overdue her annual leave but still cannot get her visa renewed to fly back to the UK. Pray for a change of heart in the officials concerned, and for her courage and strength as she continues to work hard at the hospital.

Thursday 4... As Parliament is dissolved, pray for a good, fair and honest election campaign.

Friday 5... Whether due to conflict or to disasters, emergency response is a big part of Christian Aid's work. They are there before, during and after an emergency to save lives and support people long term, all due to people's generosity.

Saturday 6... The conflict in the Middle East is impacting the lives of 50 million Arab speakers. Pray for the SAT-7 programme 'TEACH' which is providing Theological Education for Arab believers and others, who have a spiritual hunger for truth, change and peace.

Sunday 7... Pray for Matt Pye and his fiancée Lacey as they get ready to go back to Australia. Pray that they will get their new visas without any complications and for the Lord's provision as they raise financial support to return to the mission field and enrol in more training.

Monday 8... The new PCC meet tonight. Pray for them and especially those newly elected to serve.

Tuesday 9... Justin Welby is to make a 12-day visit to the Holy Land this month, focusing on religious freedom and the challenges facing Christians in the Middle East. This is the first official visit by an Archbishop of Canterbury.

Wednesday 10... Pray for all those caught up in the conflict in Syria and an end to violence against all civilians.

Thursday 11... Thursday 11 May marks 10 years since the Gaza

blockade began. Pray for an end to the blockade, so the people of Gaza can begin to recover and rebuild their lives.

Friday 12... Pray for all those will be taking part in the Natural Evangelism Course, starting next week.

Saturday 13... Christian Aid Week was set up to support their work with refugees in Europe following the Second World War. Let's act again now, to help relieve suffering and build a world where everyone has a safe place to call home.

Sunday 14... We pray for all the churches who are taking part in Christian Aid week, raising money by holding concerts, cake sales and other activities. We pray for all the people who carry out door-to-door collecting.

Monday 15... The Worship Leaders and Preachers Team meet tonight to plan the programme for the summer months.

Tuesday 16... Pray for the people of South Sudan, more than 2 million of whom have been forced to flee their homes.

Wednesday 17... The Natural Evangelism Course begins tonight.

Thursday 18... Christian Aid is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee, which brings leading UK agencies together to respond to crisis. DEC members are reaching millions of people across the country with life-saving aid, such as food, medical care and clean water.

Friday 19... Dozens of Coptic Christians were killed in Egypt last month. Pray for persecuted Christians everywhere.

Saturday 20... Pray for those facing famine in Yemen and for the aid agencies working to provide for those in need.

Sunday 21... Pray for 'Circle the City', a sponsored walk to finish Christian Aid week, which will take in the best-loved sights of London and places of worship.

Monday 22... The Annual General Meeting of St. Mary's House takes place tonight. Pray for residents and Trustees.