



St Andrew's Kirk Ella and St Luke's Willerby Prayer Diary for May 2018

We will explore with anyone who will listen the good news that God saves and transforms sinners through Jesus Christ

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray...." (Luke 11.1)

Tuesday 1st May - Psalm 125 Prayer Night

We meet to bring our praise and petitions to our Heavenly Father. Pray that more people will join us, recognising our total dependence on God. Pray that He will guide us to pray for our church, community and the wider world in accordance with His will.

Wednesday 2nd May - Psalm 126 Mission Partners

Pray for one of the Mission Partners that our two churches support. Ask God to encourage them to persevere and grant them success in all they seek to do for Christ. Pray that they will be able to rejoice in seeing fruit from their labours.

Thursday 3rd May - Psalm 127 Young People

Praise God for our young people and pray that as they attend Impact and Rooted they will grow in grace and in the love and knowledge of the Lord Jesus. Pray for those who will be taking exams. Remember too those away at college or university. Pray that they will have good Christian friends and be blessed as they attend CUs and bible based churches.

Friday 4th May - Psalm 128 Schools

Praise God that there are still opportunities to share the Lord Jesus in our schools. Pray for "Open the Book", for "Fuse" and for those who take assemblies and RE lessons including the Gideons. Pray for wisdom and sensitivity in how the good news is shared, being faithful to Christ and appropriate to a school setting.

Saturday 5th May - Psalm 129 Men's Groups

Pray for Men's Breakfast today and Word at the W heatsheaf later in the month. Pray that God will enable and equip those who lead and that there will be profitable conversations that make a practical difference in people's lives.

Sunday 6th May - Psalm 130 Family Services

Pray that families will be glad to worship together and that God will speak to all ages this morning. Pray too for God's blessing on Lexie Danby and Louis Peach, and their families as they are baptised. Pray that God will be a reality in their daily lives.

Monday 7th May - Psalm 131 Outreach

Pray for all the different groups within our churches as we seek to reach out to those who do not yet know the Lord Jesus. Ask the Lord to show you someone whom you could invite to one of our Sunday services or mid week groups in the coming weeks.

Tuesday 8th May - Psalm 132 *Growth Groups*

We start a new series tonight studying the Sermon on the Mount. Pray that we will all learn and be encouraged in our walk with God as we study the teachings of Jesus. Pray for new people to join the groups and to grow in their faith.

Wednesday 9th May - Psalm 133 *St Luke's Toddler Group*

A popular group at the forefront of mission to Willerby. Pray that the love of Jesus will be much in evidence and shared with all those who bring toddlers along.

Thursday 10th May - Psalm 134 *"Thy Kingdom Come"*

Along with the wider Church of England we are encouraged to pray over the next 10 days for family and friends who don't yet know the Lord Jesus personally. Pray that God will give us opportunities to speak for Him and to share the love of Christ. Ask that He will help us to be bold and will give us the right words to say.

Friday 11th May - Psalm 135 *Women's Groups*

Remember all the different groups as they meet during the month to study together, pray together and support one another in Christian friendship. Pray especially for those who do not have Christian support and encouragement at home. Pray that God will sustain them and help them to be witnesses for Him.

Saturday 12th May - Psalm 136 *Conkers (St Luke's)*

Pray for the 10 - 14s who meet tonight, that the message of God's love will become a reality in their lives. Pray for Alison and those who help her to lead the work well and to be godly role models.

Sunday 13th May - Psalm 137 *Sunday Services*

Pray for all our services at St Andrew's and St Luke's today. Ask that God will speak to each one and that we will come prepared to listen and be obedient. Pray for any who come discouraged or burdened that they will be able to lift their gaze heavenwards and be encouraged.

Monday 14th May - Psalm 138 *Prison Work*

Thank God for the work of those who share the gospel in our local prisons. Pray that there will continue to be opportunities to speak of a God who loves and forgives those who come to Him in repentance.

Tuesday 15th May - Psalm 139 *Mums and Tots*

Praise God for the faithful team who serve this group week by week, year by year. Pray that the children and carers will enjoy times of fun and will be glad to hear something of the God who loves them as they listen to the bible stories.

Wednesday 16th May - Psalm 140 *Ministry Assistant*

Thank God for Jonny and his willing service for the Lord and His people. Pray for him as he considers his future, that God will lead him in all the decisions he needs to take and will make His will clear.

Thursday 17th May - Psalm 141 Church Leadership

Pray especially for David and Francis and our churchwardens as they continue to bear extra responsibility during the interregnum. Pray for their spiritual and physical strength. Pray too that each of us will prayerfully support them and offer words of encouragement.

Friday 18th May - Psalm 142 Rockets

Pray for this group of lads and dads as they meet tonight. Pray for good conversations about the Lord Jesus and for good role models for the youngsters. Pray that they will grow up to be godly young men.

Saturday 19th May - Psalm 143 Raywell Weekend

Pray for the team who are planning for this weekend in September. Pray that it will be a wonderful opportunity for all ages in both our churches to get to know one another better and to be drawn closer to God. Pray for fun, fellowship and safety in all the activities.

Sunday 20th May - Psalm 144 Pentecost

Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit who helps us to live for Christ. Pray that each of us will be filled by the Spirit in order to become more like Jesus.

Monday 21st May - Psalm 145 PCC

Pray for St Andrew's PCC as they meet tonight, that God will guide them in all their discussions and decisions. Pray for good working relationships, warm Christian fellowship and unity in Christ. Pray that they will have stamina as they continue to help lead the church through the interregnum.

Tuesday 22nd May - Psalm 146 Bell Ringers

Praise God for those who serve by ringing the bells, some new and some over many years. Pray that they will work well together as a team and that new members will be added so that the work can continue.

Wednesday 23rd May - Psalm 147 Bookstall

Praise God for the availability of good Christian books and for those who run our bookstalls. Pray that we will be glad to read and grow in our faith, passing on to others the things we learn.

Thursday 24th May - Psalm 148 Cleaning Team

Thank God for the faithfulness of those who serve quietly and diligently behind the scenes by keeping our buildings clean and tidy. Pray that they will be blessed by knowing that their work is pleasing to God and to our church families.

Friday 25th May - Psalm 149 Westfield House

Pray for the team at Westfield House Residential Home this morning, that they may be able to share the gospel message in a way that speaks to the home's elderly residents.

Saturday 26th May - Psalm 150 Mill Lane

Thank God for those who care for Mill Lane Cemetery and pray that they will be enabled to continue serving faithfully and wisely.

Sunday 27th May - Psalm 1 Evening Service

Pray that more people will join us for this service when our two church families can grow together in faith and spiritual maturity. Pray for the

continued faithful preaching of God's word. Pray too that some from the local community will have the desire to come and worship with us.

Monday 28th May - Psalm 2 *Grandparents*

Thank God for all the wonderful ways in which grandparents support and bless the wider family. Pray for those grandparents who are unable to see their grandchildren very often, for a variety of reasons. Pray that they will find ways to keep in contact.

Tuesday 29th May - Psalm 3 *Sunday Groups*

Thank God for the continued generosity of the Wheatsheaf in making their premises available to us. Pray for leaders that they will have time to prepare in the busyness of the week and they will be able to present bible truths in ways that are both faithful and relevant to everyday life in the modern world.

Wednesday 30th May - Psalm 4 *Interregnum*

Pray for wisdom, as today the Parish Representatives of both our churches, alongside the Archbishop of York and a representative of the Dean and Chapter of York, interview those exploring the prospect of becoming our new Rector. Pray for Holy Spirit wisdom and guidance, that God's will be done.

Thursday 31st May - Psalm 5 *Thanksgiving*

We have so much to be grateful for. Spend some time thanking God for all the gifts and blessings that He so generously bestows on us.

Space to add the names of family members or friends who do not yet believe, or who are in particular need at the moment



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