

Kirby Muxloe

Free Church

Prayer Diary

June 2017



“A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.”

Psalm 68 vs 5 and 6

Thursday 1st Please pray for those who were bereaved by the Manchester Arena attack. Ask God to bring comfort and peace to all who have been affected by this terrorist attack. Pray that God will show us the way to bring understanding, tolerance and an end to violence.

Friday 2nd As we continue our participation in the weeks of prayer before Pentecost ask God that as we pray Christians may be transformed, that we will be given new confidence and encouragement by the Holy Spirit and be effective witnesses to Jesus Christ.

Saturday 3rd Surround all our plans for the summer in prayer at the Prayer and Coffee drop in this morning. Pray that many will take this opportunity to gather for a time of reflection and prayer in the Small Hall.

Sunday 4th This morning, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples, pray that we too will be emboldened and inspired to tell others of God's love and the hope we have through Him. Please pray for Conrad and all involved in our family, communion service.

Monday 5th Pray that after the Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas and the Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, have announced they are ready to confront terrorism there will be a move towards peace talks between the two countries.

Tuesday 6th Please pray for all those you know who are undergoing hospital treatment or awaiting test results. Pray that we will be able to show God's love by supporting our church family during difficult, and/or worrying, times.

Wednesday 7th After a recent report highlighting the number of assaults between residents in care homes, ask God to give wisdom and sensitivity to the staff as they deal with difficult situations.

Thursday 8th Pray that people have understood the political parties' policies and they will use their vote today. Ask God to give us guidance as we seek to elect a government to make our country a place of justice and peace.

Friday 9th Ask God to give the new politicians wisdom and compassion as they tackle the many problems facing our country. Pray that they will have the support and encouragement they need to be effective. Pray that many non-Christians will see the film "The Shack" at cinemas today. It is a powerful film and may provoke many conversations which would give Christians opportunity to tell people about their faith.

Saturday 10th Praise God for the success of Messy Church and pray that today's Messy church will be well staffed and well supported.

Sunday 11th Psalm 68 v. 5 & 6 show that God is a God of mercy who cares for the oppressed. Pray that we will get closer to God this morning, “in his holy dwelling place,” and know His mercy and compassion. Ask God to bless the Holiday Club planning meeting, to be held after the morning service. Pray for and attend, if possible, the Kathleen Rutland service.

Monday 12th 150 children under 5 years old die every day in Myanmar. Please pray for an end to blocks on humanitarian access to conflict areas. Pray for Christian love to reach the people and heal the violence.

Tuesday 13th Ask God to be with the pastoral team who meet today. Thank the Lord for their work, and ask God to help them use their gifts supportively and lead more people to respond to His call to serve in this way.

Wednesday 14th Today is the Carey Gardens’ service; pray that all who attend will know the Lord’s blessing and enjoy fellowship. Thank God for all the deacons do for the church and pray for them as they meet meet this evening. Pray that people will consider joining the diaconate as positions become vacant later in the year.

Thursday 15th Please pray for schools as their budgets become tighter. Pray that the new government will be supportive of education. Ask God to bless the Kirby Muxloe Primary School summer music concert this afternoon.

Praise God that children get opportunities to learn to play musical instruments and to perform.

Friday 16th Conflict, insecurity, political instability and a collapsing economy are causing a deteriorating humanitarian crisis in Libya. Please pray for the 1.3 million in need of assistance and for the United Nations workers who are working under great strain and risks.

Saturday 17th Today is the Kirby Muxloe Primary School summer fayre. Thank God for all those who have worked hard to organise and prepare for today. Pray for good weather, lots of fun and laughter and that many will take the opportunity to enjoy this village event and support the school.

Sunday 18th **Fathers’ Day**

Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; pray that they will seek God at all times, especially in times of difficulty.

God is a father to the fatherless (Psalm 68v5) and He will accept all repenting sinners into His family, praise God that we can share all His blessings. Pray for Conrad as he leads our services today.

Monday 19th As many relief organisations have left the Democratic Republic of Congo due to security and funding issues there is a deepening crisis as 400,000 children are at risk of severe malnutrition. Pray that clean water, sanitation and shelter can be provided in areas of great need.

Tuesday 20th Thank God for Abi's work in schools and pray for her as she leads lunch club at Bosworth Academy today. Pray that Abi is able to share her faith with the young people and they learn what it means to be a Christian.

Wednesday 21st Please pray that anti-Semitism will not grow in this country. Jewish MPs have experienced an upsurge of attacks on them recently; pray that bridges of tolerance and understanding will be built.

Thursday 22nd Pray that the new government will find ways to help the Accident and Emergency provision as the crisis in this service affects both patients and staff. Thank God for the dedication of doctors and nurses.

Friday 23rd Praise God for the return of the Chibok girls to their families. Pray that they will be able to recover from the trauma they have suffered. Pray that the girls that are still in captivity will soon be released.

Saturday 24th As Newbold Verdon Baptist Church celebrates Reverend Simpson's 50 years as minister thank God for his dedicated service. Please pray for the smaller churches in our area and thank God for the service they provide to their communities.

Sunday 25th Thank God that when we feel we don't belong in this world, we may feel like orphans or lonely, we know God will accept us in His family and fill us with joy (Psalm 68 v5&6). Pray for Conrad, the worship group and all involved in leading our services.

Monday 26th Thank God for the service of hospital chaplains offering spiritual and pastoral care to patients, their families and staff. Pray that their ministry will not be affected by changes within the NHS.

Tuesday 27th Please pray for families across the world that are fatherless or completely orphaned as a result of conflict, migration, poverty, natural disasters and disease. Ask God to help Christian organisations and churches as they reach out with the Father's love to bring hope and healing to them.

Wednesday 28th Thank God for the opportunities for young people to take gap years abroad before starting university or starting jobs. Especially remember Christians on missions trips; that they would grow in faith and be a real blessing to those they serve.

Thursday 29th Pray for people deserted by their friends or called to leave their families for the sake of Christ. Pray that they will get support from the Christian family. "God sets the lonely in families..."

Friday 30th Ask God to bless the final preparations for Holiday at Home. Thank God that the church can give people a chance to get together for a happy time of fellowship and entertainment.