

**Kirby Muxloe
Free Church
Prayer Diary
December 2017**



“Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.” Isaiah 60 v.1



Friday 1st Please pray for the parents of Gaia Pope whose body was found in a field on 18th November. Ask God to surround them with His love and give them peace.

Saturday 2nd Ask God to be with us at our Prayer and Coffee time at 9:30 am as we seek His blessing on all our Christmas activities. Pray for all the preparations and that many lives will be filled with hope as Christ is born in their hearts.

Sunday 3rd Let us make room for the Lord in our hearts at this advent time, so that we will have His love for others. Praise God that the young people are taking our morning service.

Monday 4th Thank God that we can freely enjoy and celebrate Christmas as Walking in Good Company meet for their Christmas lunch today. Thank God for the service Ken and Gwen Toon have given to Walking in Good Company co-ordinating the programme.

Tuesday 5th Pray for the Advent studies being held at Carey Gardens every Tuesday before Christmas. Ask God to bless this time of devotion and thank Him for this opportunity to learn and reflect.

Wednesday 6th Please pray for all those you know who are undergoing tests/treatment at hospital. Ask God to give them comfort and peace through the difficult times. Please pray for families that may find Christmas a difficult time.

Thursday 7th Today is St. Ambrose's Day the patron saint of bee keepers. Please ask God to bless this evening's Friends and Neighbours "A Taste of Honey" as Peter Bugunovic "shares some of his vast knowledge of the fascinating world of bees."

Friday 8th Pray for a successful, joyful time at the Kirby Muxloe Primary School Christmas Fayre today. Ask God to bless all the schools Christmas activities and pray that teachers and children enjoy this busy and exciting time.

Saturday 9th As Messy church meets at our church today please pray that God will give the helpers and leaders the words to encourage parents and children in their faith and that our welcome will show Jesus' love.

Sunday 10th Pray that we will make room for the Lord in our hearts, so that we may have His love for others. Please pray for Conrad as he leads our morning service. Pray that we will be able to share the joy of Christmas at the Kathleen Rutland Home this evening. Please pray for the young people leading the service at St. Bartholomew's church this morning.

Monday 11th After the climate change talks held last month, please pray that more countries will implement the Paris Climate Agreement of 2015. Pray also that the wealthy nations will keep their commitment to help the poorest countries adapt to climate change.

Tuesday 12th Please pray for political stability in Zimbabwe following the end of the Mugabe era, and the start of a new government showing justice and compassion to all.

Wednesday 13th Please ask God to guide the deacons in their discussions this evening. Pray for the “new” diaconate officers as they settle into their new roles.

Thursday 14th As the German coalition talks have collapsed please pray for God to guide the politicians so that the correct decision is made for stability in Germany and Europe.

Friday 15th Praise God for the success of the CAP money course which helps people manage their finances within the context of Christian principles. Please pray for the courses planned for 2018 to help “Youth and Kids “to manage their money.

Saturday 16th As the Christmas celebrations are underway please pray for the Street Pastors in Leicester. Ask God to bless their conversations and be with them as they give practical support to vulnerable people. Thank God for their witness. Ask God to bless the children’s Christmas party at church this evening. Pray that they will have a special, memorable time.

Sunday 17th Please pray for the children of Vision as they contribute to our All-Age service today. Pray that all who attend the services over Christmas will experience the wonder of God’s amazing love.

Monday 18th Chinese authorities in several provinces have banned children from attending state registered churches. Children are no longer permitted to participate in religious activities including Sunday school and summer camps, even if accompanying their parents. Please pray that authorities will change this policy and lift the ban on children attending Sunday school and other activities.

Tuesday 19th Many countries in southern Africa, including Zimbabwe, have experienced severe weather conditions during 2017, some with drought and others with flood. Please pray for those suffering from food shortages, those displaced by floods, and for the governments of those countries struggling to bring relief to their people. Pray for the continued support of the Aid Agencies and the work of the UN Food Programme.

Wednesday 20th Please pray for our link missionaries Daniel and Regiane Clark as their Home Assignment has been postponed due to problems with their visa application. Pray also for them as they visit areas in Peru drastically affected by floods and landslides. Pray that God will guide the local churches to help families still living in temporary accommodation.

Thursday 21st Praise God for all those who work to tell others about Jesus. Pray for the Saltmine Drama team as they visit this evening to perform The Nutcracker. Pray that many will attend and learn about God’s message.

Friday 22nd As we approach Christmas and the birth of the Prince of Peace, pray for millions of Christians who live with daily discrimination, injustice and the threat of violence. Pray that as they celebrate the coming of the One born to reign with justice and righteousness, they may have peace, hope and joy this Christmas.

Saturday 23rd In Philippians 4v8 we read "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things." Please pray that, at this Christmas time, we will be able to look for God's light amongst all the dark in our world.

Sunday 24th Ask God to bless our outdoor Carol service. Pray that many will come to celebrate Jesus' birth and be filled with His love and joy.

Monday 25th Rejoice that Christ is born today. Jesus has come to save us, let us come before Him with humble hearts. Pray that all our friends and family will know God's love and peace today.

Tuesday 26th Pray for the Mission Aviation Fellowship who, working in partnership with hundreds of other Christians and relief organisations, enable practical help, physical healing and spiritual hope to be delivered to many of the most remote communities.

Wednesday 27th Thank God for His abundance of blessings, His spiritual nourishment and His love. Pray that we will grow in our service to others and, in so doing, serve God.

Thursday 28th After several years of Islamic State occupation, the city of Mosul in Iraq has been liberated. Pray for local authorities, the citizens of Mosul, and the international community as they work together to restore the city so that people can return to their homes. Pray also for the Christian Aid Organisations working to help meet the needs of those displaced.

Friday 29th 18 Christian denominations have joined together in the Ukraine to speak as one voice on human rights issues. Pray that they will courageously speak out and what they say will be heard and heeded.

Saturday 30th Praise God for the successes in the Youth Work: 15-20 attending Breathe, 15 young people went to Soul Survivor, and Thirst at KMFC and St. Bartholomew's have good numbers attending. Thank God for His blessings.

Thursday 31st Thank God for His help and provision in our lives over the last year and ask that everyone you pray for will have cause to worship God with thanksgiving and praise in 2018. Pray for Bob Knight as he leads our Watchnight service.