

Intercession List for January 2026

Please pray for:

David, Bishop of Manchester

Mark, Bishop of Middleton

Matthew, Bishop of Bolton

Archdeacon of Manchester: Karen Best

Archdeacon of Salford and Bolton: Rachel Mann

Archdeacon of Rochdale: Karen Smeeton

The Dean of Manchester: Rogers Govender

Stephen, Bishop of Beverley

Rob, Bishop of Ebbsfleet

Also:

Our companion Link Dioceses of:

Namibia, the clergy and people, together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Patrick Djuulume.

Lahore, the clergy and people, together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Nadeem Kamran.

Our partnership with the Diocese of Tampere, Finland, (Porvoo Communion) the clergy and people together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Matti Repo.

Our historic friendship with the Diocese of Melbourne, Australia, the clergy and people, together with their Bishop-elect, Rt Revd Ric Thorpe.

Note: entries marked (Porvoo) are taken from 'The Porvoo Churches Invitation to Prayer'.

Entries marked (ACP) are taken from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer.

Parishes are prayed for daily in the Cathedral at Evening Prayer, and by the Bishop's Leadership Team, using this list. Clergy and parishioners are welcome to attend the cathedral on any day, and especially when their parish or benefice is remembered.

1Thurs ***Naming and Circumcision of Jesus***

Hope, St James and Pendlebury, St John

Rev Leila Nikroo; Rev Gareth Thomas

St John's CE Primary School, Swinton

Pray for this benefice

ACP: The Diocese of Seychelles - The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

2 Fri ***Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, bishops, teachers of the faith, 379 and 389; Seraphim, monk, spiritual guide, 1833; Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, bishop, evangelist, 1945***

St Ann's Hospice, Little Hulton

ACP: The Diocese of Sheffield - The Church of England

3 Sat Irlam, St John the Baptist

Rev Michele Evans; Rev Rob Jackson

Thank God, for answered prayer over the last year, for growth in faith and in number, and for holding onto them through life's challenges.

ACP: The Diocese of Shinyanga - The Anglican Church of Tanzania

4 Sun ***Second Sunday of Christmas***

ACP: The Church of the Province of Central Africa

5 Mon Leigh, St Mary the Virgin

Rt Revd Jonathan Ruhumuliza; Rev Richard Worsfold;

Leigh CE Primary School; Leigh St John's CE Primary School; Leigh St Mary's CE Primary School

Pray for this benefice

Link Diocese of Lahore

ACP: The Diocese of Upper Shire - The Church of the Province of Central Africa

- 6 Tue ***Epiphany***
Lower Broughton, The Ascension
Rev Canon Falak Sher
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Shyira - Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- 7 Wed Ordsall and Salford Quays
Vacant
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Shyogwe - Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- 8 Thurs Pennington, Christ Church
Rev Ayoka Olabisi; Rev Jack Shepherd
Reader: Alison Davies
Christ Church CE Primary School, Pennington
Pray for their focus in 2026 on the development of healthy discipleship .
ACP: The Diocese of Sialkot - The Church of Pakistan (United)
- 9 Fri Salford, All Saints
Rev Peter Bennett; Rev Jo Jarrett
St George's CE Primary School, Charlestown; St Luke's CE Primary School, Weaste
Pray for love and compassion among people of all cultures, all faiths and none, migrant or settled, and for God's Holy peace upon Salford.
ACP: The Diocese of Singapore - Church of the Province of South East Asia
- 10 Sat *William Laud, archbishop, 1645*
Salford, Sacred Trinity
Rev Peter Hughes; Rev Canon Andy Salmon
Reader: Dyfrig Lewis-Smith
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Sittwe - The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)
- 11 Sun ***Baptism of Christ; First Sunday of Epiphany***
ACP: Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America
- 12 Mon *Aelred, abbot, 1167; Benedict Biscop, scholar, 689*
Salford, Saint Philip with Saint Stephen
Rev James Brown; Rev Dr Gareth Robinson
St Philip's CE Primary School, Salford
Thank God for new people coming to faith, pray for those doing the Alpha course and others preparing for baptism on Easter Day.
Link Diocese of Namibia
ACP: The Diocese of Sodor and Man - The Church of England
- 13 Tue *Hilary, bishop, teacher of faith, 367; Kentigern (Mungo), missionary bishop 603; George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers), 1691*
Salford Royal Hospital
Pray for Chaplaincy Team, staff and patients.
ACP: The Diocese of Sokoto - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)
- 14 Wed Salford, St Paul with Christ Church
Rev Canon Paul Hutchins;
St Paul's CE Primary School, Cross Lane
We thank God for the graces he bestows upon them as they continue to witness through Sacrament and social action to reveal his saving love.
ACP: The Diocese of Central Solomons - The Anglican Church of Melanesia

- 15 Thurs Swinton and Pendlebury
Rev Dr Jeremy Sheehy; Rev Al Thompson;
St Augustine's CE Primary School, Pendlebury; St Peter's CE Primary School, Swinton; Wardley CE Primary School, Salford
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Soroti - The Church of the Province of Uganda
- 16 Fri HMP Forest Bank
Rev Rhiannon Joes, Rev Peter Hughes
ACP: The Diocese of Southwark - The Church of England
- 17 Sat *Antony of Egypt, hermit, abbot, 356; Charles Gore, bishop, founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932*
Swinton, Holy Rood
Rev Adam Whittle
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham - The Church of England
- 18 Sun ***Second Sunday of Epiphany; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity***
ACP: Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo
- 19 Mon *Wulfstan, bishop, 1095*
Walkden and Little Hulton
Vacant
Readers: Carole Gallagher; Grace Jarvis
St Paul's CE Primary School, Crompton Street; St Paul's CE Primary School, Heathside Grove; St Paul's Peel CE Primary School
Pray for their churchwardens and PCC's during the interregnum and pray for God's choice of minister to join them.
ACP: The Reformed Episcopal Church of the Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain - (Extra Provincial)
- 20 Tue *Richard Rolle, spiritual writer, 1349*
Westleigh, St Peter and St Paul
Rt Revd Jonathan Ruhumuliza;
Leigh St Peter's CE Primary School; Westleigh St Paul's CE Primary School
Pray for their vision of "Being a family of worshipping communities, rooted in faith, growing in hope, and active in love where Jesus is the Centre, becomes a reality, bringing transformation in our communities."
ACP: The Diocese of Spokane - The Episcopal Church
- 21 Wed *Agnes, child martyr, 304*
Worsley
Rev John Evans; Rev Karen Hopwood-Owen; Rev Adam Whittle
St Andrew's CE Primary School, Boothstown; St Mark's CE Primary School, Worsley
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Springfield - The Episcopal Church
- 22 Thurs Vincent of Saragossa, deacon, martyr, 304
Wrightington, Wigan & Leigh NHS FT
Pray for Chaplaincy Team, staff and patients.
ACP: The Diocese of Port Sudan - Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- 23 Fri Birch-in-Rusholme, St Agnes with Longsight, St John with St Cyprian
Vacant
St Agnes' CE Primary School, Longsight
Pray for this benefice
ACP: The Diocese of Sul Occidental - Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

- 24 Sat *Francis de Sales, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1622*
 Blackley, St Andrew
 Rev Jane Astley; Rev Pam Smith
 Readers: Steve Gray; Katherine Strudwick
Give thanks for their "Soup and Social" each Tuesday offering free lunches to anyone in need, and for the continued growth of their Stay and Play group.
 ACP: The Diocese of Sunyani - The Church of the Province of West Africa
- 25 Sun ***Third Sunday of Epiphany***
 ACP: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile
- 26 Mon ***Conversion of Paul***
Timothy and Titus, companions of Paul
 Blackley, St Paul
 Rev Jane Astley; Rev Pam Smith; Rev Helen Tomlinson
Give thanks to God for how diverse ages worship together, for the Blackley Community Hub's service to the community. Pray God's blessing on shared meals, Warm Space, and parish engagement.
 Link Diocese of Tampere
 ACP: The Diocese of Sur - Iglesia Anglicana de Chile
- 27 Tue *Francis de Sales, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1622*
 Blackley, St Peter
 Rev Jane Astley; Rev Pam Smith
Give thanks for their growing congregation, new disciples, and a joyful Advent community. Pray God's Spirit strengthens them, guiding hope and light into 2026 and beyond.
 ACP: The Diocese of Del Sureste - La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
- 28 Wed *Thomas Aquinas, priest, philosopher, teacher of the faith, 1274*
 Blackley, The Holy Trinity
 Rev Canon Paul Hutchins; Rev Alan Simpson
 Holy Trinity CE Primary School, Blackley
We thank God for their continued growth and pray for wisdom as they support those who make their home with them.
 ACP: The Diocese of Swansea and Brecon - The Church in Wales
- 29 Thurs University of Manchester
Pray for Jamir McKenzie, all staff and Students
 ACP: The Diocese of Sydney - The Anglican Church of Australia
- 30 Fri ***Charles, king and martyr, 1649***
 Burnage, St Margaret
 Rev Matthew Calladine
 Reader: Peter Miller
Having enjoyed a year of celebration and outreach for their 150th Anniversary, pray that God will give them fresh vision and new motivation to continue his mission there.
 ACP: The Diocese of Tabora - The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- 31 Sat *John Bosco, priest, founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888*
 Manchester Cathedral
 Very Rev Rogers Govender, Rev Canon Ian Jorysz, Rev Canon Grace Thomas, Rev Kenson Li, Venerable Karen Smeeton
 ACP: Te Pihopatanga o Te Tai Tokerau - The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia