

## Prayer Topics for March

- 1 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Bob Boyle) and officers of Saline & Blairingone. Pray for the Lord's reassurance and comfort as they contemplate the future.
- 2 Tue. Pray for students at college or university; studying in uncertain times; pray for those living away from home that they will not be led astray in any way.
- 3 Wed. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Kenneth Donald) and officers of Tulliallan and Kincardine Parish remembering, in particular, the newly appointed Session Clerk.
- 4 Thur. Presbytery meets tonight. Pray for wisdom and compassion in all decisions; may the advance of Christ's Kingdom and the spreading of the Gospel be paramount.
- 5 Fri. **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**  
**"PRAISE THE LORD"**  
**"Let Everything that has breath praise the Lord"**  
**(PSALM 150)**
- 6 Sat. Join with Shockwave, Scotland in prayer for Christians being persecuted for their faith in any part of the world.
- 7 Sun **Pray for all who lead worship today; ministers, readers, prayer leaders, organists, choirs and praise bands; may all be filled with a desire to truly serve and praise God.**
- 8 Mon. International Women's Day & UN Day for Women's Rights and International Peace. Pray for oppressed, unvalued and abused women throughout the world
- 9 Tue. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Peter Gerbrandy-Baird) and officers of Aberdour, St Fillans as they consider organisational changes.
- 10 Wed. Pray today for all working with the handicapped or who have a family member handicapped. May they always feel the presence of Jesus beside them in their caring.
- 11 Thur. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev David Redmayne) and officers of Beath and Cowdenbeath: North.
- 12 Fri. Give thanks today for family, friends and neighbours. Rejoice in the companionship which the Good Lord provides. "Love your neighbour as yourself."
- 13 Sat. Saturday, the traditional day for sporting activity. Give thanks for all the pleasure sport provides for participant and spectator. Pray for the safety of all.
- 14 Sun. **MOTHERING SUNDAY: Give thanks for all the blessings which spring from a mother's love. Pray for mothers in the world who have to struggle for the sake of their children. Ask the Good Lord to bless all mothers.**
- 15 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Norman Grant) and officers of Cairneyhill.
- 16 Tue. Pray for **UNICEF** and its work to eradicate childhood diseases through its vaccination programme. Pray also for its work with HIV positive and AIDS infected young folk.

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- 17 Wed St Patrick's Day. Pray for the continuation of peace in Northern Ireland and for reconciliation between its different communities. Pray for the Republic as it struggles with economic difficulties.
- 18 Thur. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Norman Grant) and officers of Limekilns.
- 19 Fri Pray for our Ministers & Auxiliary Ministers, Readers and Deacons, Students & Enquirers, that they grow in their personal spiritual journeys and prayer life.
- 20 Sat. Pray for all who are sick and in pain and for their carers and families who are worrying about them; pray for health and healing; pray for all medical staff - from cleaner to surgeon.
- 21 Sun **The second Sunday of the 2010 congregation census. Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on how we can make more of our fellow citizens into disciples of Jesus. If it should be part of that aim, Lord help us to know when it is time to break with traditions. (See 1 Samuel 21: 4 to 6.)**
- 22 Mon. **WORLD WATER DAY:** Pray for the millions for whom adequate, clean water is merely a distant dream.
- 23 Tue. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev David Adams) and officers of Cowdenbeath: Trinity.
- 24 Wed Pray for housebound people; pray for them to know God's presence in their lives and that they are never truly alone; give thanks for those with pets who provide companionship.
- 25 Thur. Pray for the congregation, parish and officers of Carnock & Oakley. Pray for all assisting them in the current vacancy and that the Holy Spirit guides them in the quest for a minister to lead them.
- 26 Fri. When we mourn, You comfort us. Pray that the bereaved can feel God's presence in their lives and may they know that they are not alone in their grief
- 27 Sat. Pray for the Street Pastors' efforts in Dunfermline; pray for good cooperation between Police, Local Authority and churches; pray for funding for the training & clothing.
- 28 Sun. **PALM SUNDAY: Pray that we all welcome Jesus into our lives and follow Him every day not just on Sundays.**
- 29 Mon. Let us give thanks today for the writers, both words and music, of our hymns of praise. Let us rejoice that their works can help us unite in song to praise our Creator and thus bring each of us closer to Him.
- 30 Tue. ***Give thanks to the Lord and praise His Holy Name.*** Pray for the Holy Week services in the Presbytery, that many attend and are challenged to recommit themselves to Jesus.
- 31 Wed. Pray for those who prepare and lead services in Care and Residential Homes for the Elderly; especially when *apparent* response of the listeners is not encouraging

## Prayer Topics for April

- 1 Thur. MAUNDY THURSDAY: Contemplate on Our Lord's struggle in the Garden of Gethsemane. Pray for the strength and courage to defend our faith when challenged along with the essential humility.
- 2 Fri. GOOD FRIDAY: Contemplate on Our Lord on the cross. "It was my sin that held Him there, my pardon he accomplished" (S Townend). Pray that, when folk are in difficult times and places, they feel God's loving, living presence surrounding them.
- 3 Sat. EASTER SATURDAY: Think of all our prayers of intercession over the piece and pray that the Holy Spirit guides us in knowing how best we can help in the situations about which we have prayed.
- 4 Sun.                                "Christ is Risen."  
  "He is Risen indeed."  
  Read John 20  
  Give thanks for God's immeasurable  
  and undeserved Love, Mercy and Grace
- 5 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Jayne Scott) and officers of Culross and Torryburn.
- 6 Tue. Pray for all working in Third World Countries to alleviate the suffering engendered by poverty and disease. May the Holy Spirit encourage them in their ministry and may they feel the presence of Jesus working beside them.
- 7 Wed. Pray for the aims of **World Health Day 2010**, with its "**1000 cities - 1000 lives** campaign focussing on urbanisation and health.
- 8 Thur. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Donald McCorkindale) and officers of Dalgety.
- 9 Fri. Pray for our Emergency Services as they work, to preserve our rights and freedom and keep our communities safe and peaceful. Continue to pray for ***Street Pastors***.
- 10 Sat. Thank God for his Holy Word; pray for all house groups in the Presbytery. May God's guidance and presence be felt in their discussions as they study and learn and pray together.
- 11 Sun. **Sometimes called LOW SUNDAY but let us all the more rejoice in our worship today. WORLD KIDNEY DAY 2010, let us give thanks for advances in the field of medicine (transplants etc).**
- 12 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Alistair Jessamine) and officers of Dunfermline: Abbey.
- 13 Tues. Pray for single parent families; for couples and families involved in the trauma of separation or divorce; pray for the innocent children caught up in these situations.
- 14 Wed. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Iain Sutherland) and officers of Dunfermline: Gillespie Memorial.
- 15 Thur. Pray for our Armed Forces that they might help preserve peace, defend liberty and the rights of people everywhere and come home safely to their families.
- 16 Fri. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Ian Thom) and officers of Dunfermline: North.

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- 17 Sat. Presbyterian Guild Preparation Day at St Ninian's. Give thanks for the work of the Guild and pray for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in today's deliberations.
- 18 Sun. **Today pray for your own church - minister & family; elders, members, visitors and friends; old and young; rich and not so well off; the committed and the apathetic; attendees and the missing.**
- 19 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Ann Allison) and officers of Dunfermline: St Andrew's Erskine.
- 20 Tue. Pray for all who are chaplains in our hospitals, clinics and hospice; may they have the right words to say and a ready ear to listen to those who are troubled.
- 21 Wed. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Andrew Philip) and officers of Dunfermline: St Leonard's.
- 22 Thur. Pray for today's Presbytery Committee meetings. Pray that all present are guided by the Holy Spirit and feel the confidence and joy of that guiding. Pray also for those unable to attend and particularly for those suffering ill health.
- 23 Fri. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Iain Greenshields) and officers of Dunfermline: St Margaret's.
- 24 Sat. **"PRACTICAL PRAYING"** - Presbytery Workshop on Prayer at Dunfermline, St Leonard's. Pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit throughout the morning's duration of this initiative.
- 25 Sun. **Let us just thank the Lord today for our church and everything about it which brings us to Him. At the service we attend let us rejoice in His love and the companionship of all with whom we share His Presence.**
- 26 Mon. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Elizabeth Fisk) and officers of Dunfermline: St Ninian's. Ask for the Lord's continued blessing on Elizabeth's husband Dennis as he recovers from his accident.
- 27 Tue. Pray for couples who are about to be married; that they may understand the solemnity of their vows; pray for couples whose marriage is going through difficult times.
- 28 Wed. Pray today for the parish, congregation, minister (Rev Andrew Morrice) and officers of Dunfermline: St Paul's East.
- 29 Thur. Presbytery meets in Special Session. Pray for wisdom, tolerance, patience and compassion in the deliberations. May the advance of Christ's Kingdom and the spreading of the Gospel be the paramount concern.
- 30 Fri. Pray for the congregation, parish, minister (Rev Chris Park) and officers of Inverkeithing Parish.