



Longniddry Church

PRAYER DIARY

November 2021

1 All Saints Day. We give thanks for all who have followed the Christian Life and those who have guided us along the Way.

2 Pray for all who attend COP26. Pray for safety for all representatives of 197 different countries and all who observe.

3 At this difficult time we pray that those who have lost loved ones will find support and comfort.

4 Thank you, Lord, for the riot of Autumn colour and the joy it brings to our hearts.

5 Dear Lord, please grant us the blessing of sleep, secure in your loving presence.

6 As we continue to live with the pressures of the Covid pandemic we pray for understanding and cooperation among those who lead and make decisions on our behalf.

7 We pray for all struggling across the World with the impact of climate change such as drought, floods and wildfire, on their livelihoods and communities. May international agreement be reached at this month's COP conference in Glasgow.

8 On Remembrance Sunday we remember with love and respect all who served our country in WW1, WW2 and more recent conflicts. Thanks you for the symbol of the poppy. "Lest we forget."

9 We remember those who will receive Blythswood shoeboxes in Eastern Europe this year and thank all who have filled shoeboxes.

10 Loving God, help us to be kind today. Make our hearts tender and quick to forgive.

11 On Remembrance Day we remember all who gave their lives from all countries during the First and Second World Wars and those in more recent conflicts. Thank you for the symbol of the poppy. "Lest we Forget"

12 Please bless the work of hospital and port chaplains throughout Scotland, especially our friend Pauline who works at Leith, Rosyth and Grangemouth.

13 The confidence we have, the trust we hold and the hope we carry rest in God's faithfulness.

14 Remembrance Sunday: at this time of Remembrance, pray for those who work for peace. May they build bridges of hope.

15 It is God who holds the nations in the hollow of his hand: it is God whose light is shining in the darkness of the land.

16 Thank you, Lord, for all your blessings -for the strength you give me each day, for friends, family and loved ones nearby and at a distance.

17 Remember those with no home or homes under strain or those suffering disappointment or despair. We give thanks for our own homes.

18 Let us remember with sensitivity those who find this time particularly painful through grief, separation or alienation.

19 "This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118.24

20 Loving Father, please bless all care workers whether in the community, hospital or nursing home as they prepare for the Winter season and the pressures it brings.

21 Lord of my heart, give me courage to strengthen me, that among friends or enemies I may always proclaim your justice.

22 Remember all who help with Home Start as we gather books to give families.

23 May we always promote and value everyone who cares for and supports folks with dementia, whether paid or unpaid.

24 So many suffer with mental health problems. May they receive the care, love and understanding needed to alleviate their state of mind.

25 We pray for teachers, civil servants and politicians working towards a new education system for Scotland.

26 We pray for those struggling with low or lost income, unemployment or homelessness that they will receive food, shelter and warmth for themselves and their families.

27 In a constantly changing world we give thanks for the constancy of God's love, the compassion of Christ and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

28 On the first Sunday of Advent, as we look forward to celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace, we pray for a peaceful world.

29 Let us appreciate and give thanks for all those working on developing ways to treat Covid, especially that thanks to the vaccine the virus is more under control than last year. May the treatments reach all countries and all people across the world.

30 On St Andrew's Day we pray for our country at this extremely difficult time -that love, cooperation and welcoming the stranger will overcome as we follow in Christ's path.