

# PRAYER DIARY FOR MARCH 2019

Remember: prayer makes the impossible POSSIBLE!

1. Pray, on this Women's World Day of Prayer, that this day will inspire more people of all ages to realise that prayer is powerful and can change circumstances, people and problems.
2. Pray on this **Saturday** for a successful World Wildlife Day tomorrow. Ask that people may have an ever stronger resolve to care for our natural environments and the life within them.
3. Pray on this **Sunday before Lent** that many will come to hear Ali Mawhood from Embrace, who will be speaking at the Benefice Service this morning.
4. Pray today that God may give each of us the wisdom and discernment to know how to direct our financial giving to help the poor and to resource the church.
5. Pray today for foresight and unity at the Bures School Governors' strategy meeting.
6. Pray on this **Ash Wednesday** for the Light Lent Lunch, which will be raising money for the Bishop's Lent Appeal. Pray also that many will come to the Ash Wednesday Service tonight.
7. Pray today for mutual encouragement and wisdom at the Bures PCC meeting tonight.
8. Pray today that many good candidates attend the Bures School Deputy Head interviews. Ask the Lord for His guidance over the final decision.
9. Pray on this Saturday that the Ministry Team may be filled with energy and inspiration, as they shepherd the benefice at this very busy time of the church year.
10. Pray on this **First Sunday of Lent** for many to feel drawn to come to the Breakfast Service.
11. Pray today for our farming community and that the March weather will encourage grass to grow and enable barley to be sown. Pray also that all will go well with the lambing.
12. Pray today for the Sudbury Deanery Synod. Ask that they may meet in an atmosphere of shared dedication to the Lord.
13. Pray to the Lord on this Wednesday that, at this difficult political time, those with opposing political views can reach a place of mutual respect and acceptance of others. .
14. Pray today for a Spirit- led "Growing in God" parish meeting.
15. Pray on this Friday that many more young people will feel attracted to attend the Youth Club.
16. Pray on this Saturday for the Diocesan Synod to have wisdom and discernment at their meeting today.
17. Pray on this **Second Sunday of Lent** for an enjoyable, welcoming Vicarage tea for new families.
18. Pray today that the Baptist Church and St.Mary's can work even closer together in spreading the gospel and supporting those in need in the village.
19. Pray today for the supportive work of the Footprints Carers and Toddlers Group.
20. Pray on this Wednesday for vision and unity at the Sudbury Deanery Clergy Meeting and also at the Bures School full Governors meeting.
21. Pray on this Thursday for a productive Big Top Service Planning meeting at 4pm and also the Ministry Team Rota Planning meeting in the evening.
22. Pray on this World Water Day for greater awareness of the plight of refugees living in overcrowded, insanitary conditions and in urgent need of clean water.
23. Pray on this Saturday for a happy, motivating Messy Church in St.Mary's and also a stimulating Day of Encouragement at Great Notley.
24. Pray on this **Third Sunday of Lent** for a very inspirational and happy Youth Group this afternoon. Thank God for their leaders.
25. Pray to the Lord and give thanks and praise for the beauty of the countryside in which we live.
26. Pray today for the Vicarage Alpha Course and that those whom the Lord wants to attend will hear His call.
27. Pray that many will come to today's Prayer Meeting, followed by the Informal Service after. Give thanks for the willing work of Carol, George and their team, as they provide the Open Door Cafe afterwards.
28. Pray today for the young people of the village that more may want to come to church.
29. Pray on this Thursday for the safety of our country during and after Brexit. Ask our Loving Father to bring a resolution to the difficult issues facing our country. May the Lord keep us safe in His loving care.
30. Pray on this Saturday that many will happily volunteer to help with the churchyard tidy and contribute to making our church a welcoming place of worship.
31. Pray on this Mothering **Sunday** for all mothers, thanking the Lord for all their love and care. Pray too for those who find mothering hard. Ask God to give them all the wisdom, patience and strength they need.

**Prayer is your conversation with God.**

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