

Father, Creator of all,  
thank You for summer!  
Thank you for the warmth of the sun  
and the increased daylight.  
Thank You for the beauty we see all  
around us;  
for the opportunity to be outside and  
enjoy Your creation.  
Thank You for the increased time we have  
to be with our friends and family.  
Draw us closer to You this summer.  
Teach us how we can pray no matter  
where we are or what we are doing.  
Warm our souls  
with the awareness of Your presence  
and light the path before us  
with Your word and counsel.  
As we enjoy Your creation, create in us  
a pure heart and a hunger  
and a thirst for You.  
**Amen.**

Father in heaven,  
I stand before You today  
in Your omnipotent presence  
to ask that You grant me strength.  
I ask You to give me the strength  
to power through all of the tasks today,  
whether little or big.  
It is by Your will that I live, O Lord  
and I know it is also by your will  
that I will not be weak today.  
**Amen**

Heavenly Father  
help me love the life I live right now.  
Show me the good things  
I often overlook.  
Help me to be content  
with what I have.  
Forgive me  
when I compare myself to others.  
Forgive me  
for longing for things  
outside of You and Your kingdom.  
Thank you for loving me  
right where I am,  
right as I am.  
Help me to keep my eyes on you.  
In Jesus' name  
**Amen**

Loving God  
We bring before you the sick  
and suffering of our world,  
all those wrestling with illness  
in body, mind or spirit.  
Support and strengthen all those  
who share the work of healing,  
all who strive to bring relief and  
wholeness to broken people.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

If you have any suggested items for inclusion  
in the August Prayer Diary, please pass these to  
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# Prayer Diary

**July 2021**



*St Bartholomew's  
Church*

The Lord is my strength  
and my song;  
he has given me victory.  
This is my God,  
and I will praise him,  
my father God,  
and I will exalt him.

Exodus 15:2

He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless. **Isaiah 40:29**

**July 2021**

Let us pray

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup>: for **the situation in Miami** after the building collapse; for the families of the missing.

Frid 2<sup>nd</sup>: for **Abbi and Gavin** on their wedding day today.

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup>: for **Christians in North Korea** at this time of severe food shortages.

Sun 4<sup>th</sup>: for the **APCM** in church today.

Mon 5<sup>th</sup>: for the family and friends of **Rosie Leach** whose funeral is today.

Tues 6<sup>th</sup>: for those suffering from **stress, depression or mental illness**.

Wed 7<sup>th</sup>: for the work of the **Hospice Movement** and those they care for.

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup>: for our **friends facing difficult diagnoses and treatments**.

Frid 9<sup>th</sup>: for **dementia sufferers** and their families.

Sat 10<sup>th</sup>: for the **elderly and housebound** in our church and those who care for them.

Sun 11<sup>th</sup>: for **Paul and Nicci** as we bid them farewell today.

Mon 12<sup>th</sup>: for **the unemployed**, both long term and those who have recently lost their jobs.

Tues 13<sup>th</sup>: for those suffering from **Long Covid** and their families.

Wed 14<sup>th</sup>: for the work of the **Pastoral Team** doing so much behind the scenes.

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup>: for everyone living on **The Square** in Ducklington.

Frid 16<sup>th</sup>: for our **exhausted NHS workers**; for their health and wellbeing.

Sat 17<sup>th</sup>: for **the government** as it seeks to keep us safe during the pandemic.

Sun 18<sup>th</sup>: for **our ministry team and wardens** as the interregnum begins.

Mon 19<sup>th</sup>: for **ourselves and our safety** as restrictions are (hopefully) lifted today.

Tues 20<sup>th</sup>: for everyone living on **Back Lane** in Ducklington.

Wed 21<sup>st</sup>: for **young people leaving school and university** and moving into the unknown.

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup>: for **families and school children** as the summer holidays begin.

Frid 23<sup>rd</sup>: for all those participating in the **Olympic Games in Japan** which start today.

Sat 24<sup>th</sup>: for the **summer holidays** and safe breaks at home and abroad.

Sun 25<sup>th</sup>: for **our Christian brethren** in the **persecuted church** in the world.

Mon 26<sup>th</sup>: for the work of **Open Doors** who provide support for the persecuted Church.

Tues 27<sup>th</sup>: for the **recently bereaved**.

Wed 28<sup>th</sup>: for everyone living on **Church Street** in Ducklington.

Thurs 29<sup>th</sup>: for **refugees and homeless** people both here and across the world.

Frid 30<sup>th</sup>: for the members of the **Brize Norton Singers** performing in church this evening.

Sat 31<sup>st</sup>: for the work of the **Food Bank** and for those who need to use it.

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Loving God

Grant me peace of mind  
and calm my troubled heart.  
My soul is like a turbulent sea.

I can't seem to find my balance  
so I stumble and worry constantly.  
Give me strength and clarity of mind  
to find my purpose and walk the path you  
have laid out for me.

**Amen**