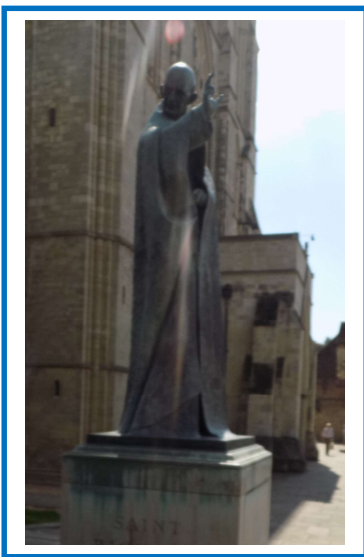


## Wey Valley Circuit Prayer Diary – November 2024

This month's prayers are based on the themes 'All Saints', 'On the Edge', 'Remembrance', 'Violence against women and girls', and 'Christ the King'.

Bible references are from the NRSVA, unless otherwise stated. Hymns are from Singing the Faith – StF, Hymns and Psalms – HP, The Methodist Hymn Book – MHB. Other sources are as noted.

*Thanks be to you, Lord Jesu Christ, for all the benefits which you have won for us, for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day - St Richard of Chichester*



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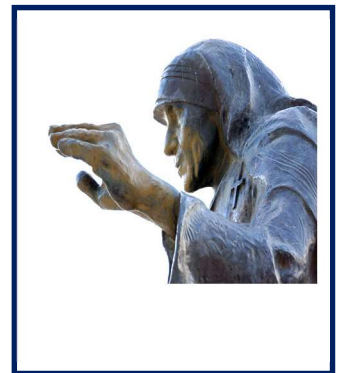
He gave up an inheritance to serve God and others, and keenly opposed Church corruption. He was a much-loved Priest of the people.

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'God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer.'

*Mother Theresa*

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**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> All Saint Day** - 'With saints and angels and all the host above we lift our hearts and voices to bless our God of love; to sing of our Redeemer who intercedes and prays, may God the Holy Spirit may guide us all our days' - Norman Wall

**Saturday 2nd Reflections for this week – On the Edge:** Over the past few weeks I have found myself in a very difficult situation. I have felt the most excruciating pain I have ever experienced, and then the confusion from the consequence of very powerful pain killers. Away from the comfort of my family, in a hospital bed, I felt 'on the edge' of a precipice. Then through the fog of all this confusion and uncertainty came a reassurance that I was not alone, that whatever may happen God, Abba Father, Son and Spirit were there supporting me.

A verse from my old Preaching Bible came to mind ' *There is none like God, O Jeshuran, who rides through the heavens to your help and in his majesty through the skies. The eternal God is your dwelling place and underneath are the everlasting arms.*' (Deuteronomy 33:26-27 RSV)

Then I found this prayer: ' *My Safety – Alone with none but you, my God, I journey on my way. What need I fear, when you are near, O Lord of night and day? More safe am I within your hands than if a host did round me stand*' Amen! - St Columba of Iona

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Pray for the Worship, Ministry and Mission at Byfleet 10.30am, Merrow 10.30am, Stoughton 10.30am, Woking Trinity - English speaking Congregation 10.30am , Cantonese speaking Congregation 1.30pm, Foundry Worship 6.00pm (fortnightly), and all who participate.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Mission and Ministry of Chaplaincy across the Circuit, in Schools, the University and other Colleges, also in Hospitals, Care Homes, HMP Send and other locations, where they meet those 'On the Edge'. Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to fill them with love as they reach out to support and encourage those in their care.

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Reflections:** Pray for those 'On the Edge' of war, and its consequences. Pray for those who despite the dangers continue to support and reach out. Pray for a genuine end to the violence.

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>** Pray for those 'On the Edge' of a breakdown – psychological, relationship, medical, that the Holy Spirit will be with them, and enable us to reach out in loving care, compassion and understanding to those we meet in these circumstances.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>** Pray for those 'On the Edge' of Faith that they may see and feel the light, power and love of God, Abba Father, Jesus the Saviour and the Holy Spirit the Comforter will be with them no matter what.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Pray for those 'On the Edge' of grief and despair, for the presence of the Holy Trinity, and friends to support them at this difficult time.

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>** Pray for Peace, Love, Tolerance, Understanding, Forgiveness in the World, your communities and yourself; as Jesus taught us to do and say.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday**



**'Lest We Forget'**

The Cenotaph  
Whitehall, London  
&  
Coventry Cathedral

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Pray for the Ministry and Mission of the Remembrance Services across the Circuit, and for those for whom this day stirs precious and sad memories.

**Inter Faith Week begins** – Pray for the Interfaith work going on across the Circuit and the strengthening of the links between us.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Armistice Day** – *'In Flanders fields the poppies blow, Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below'*. John McRae (1872—1918)

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of Coffee Corner at Stoughton 10.00am -12 Noon.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of Coffee and Chat at Trinity 10.30am – 12 noon

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>** Pray for those who suffer for their faith; that God will be with them no matter what.

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Interfaith Week ends:** Pray: 'Jesu, Jesu, fill me with your love, show me how to serve the neighbours I have from you. Neighbours are poor folk and rich, black folk and white, nearby and faraway. These are the ones I should love and serve; for all these are neighbours to me and you. Lord teach us how to kneel at the feet of these our friends, silently washing their feet, for this is the way we should live with you in serving others'. (From StF 249 A North Ghanaian song *alt.*)

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of Clothes 4U Knaphill 2.00pm-4.30pm.  
Pray for the Ministry and Mission of 'Practical Aspects of Spirituality' at Guildford St Mary's  
Pray for the [Big Quiz Night - Tearfund](#) at Woking Trinity, 6pm – 8pm

**Sunday 17<sup>h</sup>** Pray for the Worship, Ministry and Mission at Addlestone 10.30am, Cranleigh 10.30am, Godalming 10.30am, West Horsley 10.00am, Walton on Thames 10,00am and all who participate.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>** Give thanks for the Ministry provided by our Presbyters, Local Preachers, Worship Leaders, Pastoral Visitors, Stewards, Administrators, Readers, Musicians, Technicians, Flower Arrangers, Refreshment Providers, all Congregations, and any others who enable Worship and Mission to take place in the Circuit.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>** Pray for yourself that God will bless you, fill you with the Holy Spirit, and guide your listening, speaking and actions today and every day.

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>** Pray for those you know who need prayer; that God will be near them and bless them.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of the Bible Study at Merrow 7.30pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of [Street Angels](#) - in Guildford and Woking and any others you know – thank God for their care, compassion and commitment to those in need. Keep them safe as they serve late at night.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of the Coffee Morning at Knaphill 10.00am – 12 Noon.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent ~ Christ the King!** *'Majesty, worship Christ's majesty; unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise. Majesty, kingdom authority flows from his throne unto his own, his anthem raise. So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus, magnify come glorify Christ Jesus the King, Jesus, who died, now glorified, King of all kings. (StF 333 alt)*



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Pray for the Worship, Ministry and Mission at Guildford St Mary's 10.30am, Knaphill 10.00am, Sheerwater 10.30am, Weybridge 10.30, and all who participate.

### [International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women | United Nations](#)

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup>** Bearing in mind the tragic death of 10-year-old Sara Sharif in Woking, pray for all children and young people who are at serious risk of neglect, violence and brutality. Jesus, irately said to the Disciples, *'Don't push these children away! Don't ever get between them and me. These children are the very centre of life in the kingdom. Mark this: unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in.'* (Mark 10:13-16 The Message)  
Pray: Lord Jesus teach me how to love and serve the children around me and to have the courage to speak out in their defence.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of Coffee Corner at Stoughton 10.00am -12 Noon.

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>** Pray for all women who live in fear of domination, violence and brutality – remembering how Jesus reached out to the women he met with compassion and restorative love.

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the Ministry and Mission of the Advent Reflections at Guildford St Mary's 12.15pm

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>** Celebrate the Feast of Advent with 'Carols for All,' at West Horsley 7.00pm – 9.00pm



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**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Andrew the Apostle** Give thanks for the sacrifice, witness and work of St Andrew.

**End of the Month:** *Loving Lord, we thank you for your presence and power to support us throughout the past month, and that you hear our prayers.*

God bless you all as we enter the season of Advent and Christmas.

Graham Warr