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**8TH MAY: 4TH OF EASTER**

Anglican	Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.
Hereford	Our ecumenical, interfaith and international links, and their deepening and development.
Porvoo	England: Gloucester; Sweden: Västerås.
The Wider View	The Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), seeking to facilitate safe passage for children and adults across the Israel / Palestine border crossings.
This Week	All involved in the <b>Diocesan Vocations Day</b> this Saturday at the Forbury, Leominster - that all those organising and attending this event may be able to hear the call of God on their lives. The work of the international <b>Red Cross</b> and Red Crescent around the world, including war zones. <b>Europe Day</b> (Monday) celebrates the life of our continent. Events this year remind us how fragile and precious peace can be; may we work together to relieve the impact of war, to oppose tyranny and abuse of power, and to build bridges of lasting peace. <b>World Fair Trade Day</b> (Saturday) connects customers and producers in over 75 countries worldwide. Pray for greater use of fairly traded products wherever possible, and for awareness and education. Pray for all who provide <b>foster care for children</b> , giving thanks for the passion, commitment, and dedication of those who do this work. In <b>Mental Health Awareness Week</b> reflecting on the impact of loneliness on mental health, pray for all who struggle with being alone.

**15TH MAY: 5TH OF EASTER [CHRISTIAN AID WEEK BEGINS]**

Anglican	The Scottish Episcopal Church.
Hereford	Pontesbury Deanery.
Porvoo	England: Guildford; Denmark: Viborg.
The Wider View	Pray for girls and women denied a proper education because of lack of funds or for political or religious reasons.
This Week	On <b>National Children's Day</b> , pray for all that promotes a healthy childhood, and protects the rights and freedoms of children and young people. This year's theme is "Choose kind". In <b>Dementia Action Week</b> , pray we may act together to improve the lives of people affected by dementia, and that our churches may be dementia-friendly places. In national <b>Walk to School Week</b> , pray for all that helps children to be physically active, and that our streets and footpaths may be safe places for all who use them. Pray for the work of <b>Christian Aid</b> worldwide, and for its partners; and for events, activities and collections during this week.

Pray for young people taking **GCSE, A Level** and other important exams at this time, including those who feel under stress.

Wednesday is World AIDS Vaccine Day - pray for this important ongoing work worldwide.

## **22ND MAY - 6TH OF EASTER [ROGATION SUNDAY]**

Anglican Hereford	Church of the Province of South-East Asia. The Communications team in their work and the support provided to the local church - for the good news of our faith to be shared in a professional and persuasive way.
Porvoo The Wider View	England: Exeter; Norway: Nord-Hålogaland. Pray for the existing links between Hereford and Nuremberg, as we begin to be able to continue with exchanges, and for moves towards building new links. Pray for the Ludlow-Neustadt link, where it is hoped a group from here may visit in August, and for schools links.
This Week	<b>Rogationtide</b> prompts reflection on our care for the land. Pray we may use the resources of creation with care and generosity, and with thought for generations to come. Pray for those to be <b>ordained this year</b> as deacon or priest, and for present and future training incumbents. <b>World Turtle Day</b> (Monday) prompts prayer regarding the harm done to sea turtles by the loss of beaches where eggs are laid, and pollution of ocean waters. Pray for all who suffer from <b>epilepsy</b> , and for awareness, research and support. In the week of <b>Ascension Day</b> , give thanks for Christ ascended and glorified, and for the “Thy Kingdom Come” global prayer movement, inviting Christians of all denominations and traditions worldwide to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. Pray this week also for the <b>missing children of our world</b> - among them those lost or abducted, the many street children, and children snatched or separated when relationships break down. In the week of <b>John and Charles Wesley</b> , pray for the Methodist church; and give thanks for the legacy of prayer and hymnody by which the Wesleys enrich our worship.

## **29TH MAY - 7TH OF EASTER [SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY]**

Anglican Hereford	The Church of South India. Ross and Archenfield Deanery.
Porvoo	England: Hereford; Lusitanian Church (Portugal); Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad.
The Wider View	Pray for all whose lives and livelihoods have been impacted by natural disasters, severe weather and the changes caused by global warming. Give thanks for those who provide emergency relief, and for longer term programmes of rebuilding.

This Week Give thanks for the service to our nation of **Her Majesty the Queen**, and for her faith and commitment; pray for the various events, community celebrations and services of thanksgiving this week. At the **Visitation** (Tuesday) pray for the Church to reflect the humility of Mary, and her identification with the vulnerable and poor. In **Volunteers Week** give thanks for all who as volunteers enrich our communities, enable charity and maintain our churches. Saturday remembers the innocent **children who are victims of aggression**, including those caught up in war zones. Pray for all who offer refuge, and for healing and therapy when children have been traumatised by the cruel treatment received or witnessed.

### **5TH JUNE - PENTECOST**

Anglican The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.  
 Hereford Safeguarding - for training, awareness, sensitivity and best practice at every level, and in making appointments. Pray for good and effective response to any urgent issues that may arise regarding those in vulnerable situations.  
 Porvoo Iceland; Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church.  
 The Wider View Pray for the churches of Europe, and for the German church including our friends in Nuremberg, in their response to the crisis in Ukraine, and to the urgent needs of refugees.  
 This Week Pray for services to mark the seventy years of our **Queen's** reign. Give thanks for the example of her faith, and for all that she has given to our nation throughout this longest of reigns. Pray for the **Mothers' Union** in our diocese and beyond, as we take part this week in this year's Wave of Prayer. Pray for those administer the many small **local charities** helping (for example) to provide support for the elderly and housebound, or to purchase books for students. **Cancer Survivors' Day** this week prompts thanksgiving for healing, and prayer for research, and for all waiting for diagnosis or care. Pray for **local sports groups and teams**, and all who coach sports, and provide and maintain sports facilities in our communities. In **Carers Week** pray for all who care for family members, neighbours or friends, often isolated or feeling unsupported.

### **12TH JUNE - TRINITY SUNDAY**

Anglican The Anglican Church of South America.  
 Hereford Telford Severn Gorge Deanery.  
 Porvoo Scotland: Argyll & the Isles; Ireland: Connor; Denmark: Lolland-Falster.  
 The Wider View Pray for all VICTIMS of gender based violence, and for organisations and individuals working to reduce this and to promote equality.  
 This Week At **Trinity** give thanks that God reveals his loving presence and purpose in the interplay of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

In **Loneliness Awareness Week**, pray for all who are lonely, and for all who offer companionship and support.  
 Give thanks for all who **give blood**, for all who enable this work, and those who ensure prompt delivery of urgent blood supplies.  
 Pray for all who live with forms of **diabetes**, and for greater awareness of diabetes, its causes and symptoms.  
 The Argentine surrender on 14th June 1982 ended the **Falklands War**. Pray for commemorations to mark the 40th anniversary.  
 Pray for **farmers' markets**, for those who run farm shops, and for all places where people can buy local produce, and can be assured of the provenance of the food they eat.  
 As prices of fuel, foodstuffs and other domestic necessities continue to rise, pray for families struggling to get by, and for **food banks** and other means by which help is provided.  
 Pray for all new members of PCC's or new **churchwardens** or church officers, as APCM's conclude and Visitations begin.

### **19TH JUNE - 1ST AFTER TRINITY**

Anglican	Episcopal Church of South Sudan.
Hereford	Inclusive ministry, affirming the rights, abilities and value of every person, whatever their age, gender, ethnicity or background.
Porvoo	England: Diocese in Europe; Sweden: Visby; Denmark: Copenhagen.
The Wider View	Pray for the refugee, homeless and stateless people of our world today, and for those countries hosting large numbers of refugees.
This Week	<p>Today's service at the Cathedral (and similar services elsewhere) to mark the 40th anniversary of the ending of the <b>Falklands War</b>.          Pray for those organising <b>school sports days</b> and other outdoor events for young people.          Pray <b>for children's hospices</b>, providing care and respite for those children who need it, and support also for their families.  <b>World Music Day</b>, celebrated at midsummer, prompts thanks for the ways in which music can express feelings and emotions, lift our hearts, bring people together, and express our praise of God.          Friday this week celebrates <b>reservists in our armed forces</b>, while Saturday is the <b>Day of the Seafarer</b> - pray for all who, like them, need the courage to face what are potentially dangerous situations and tasks.  <b>World Sand Dune Day</b> (Saturday) prompts prayer for the conservation and protection of these important but extremely fragile environments.          Pray for all who serve on our <b>local and county councils</b>, and for all who are active in local politics and community organisations.</p>