Diocese of Hereford \ldots Sunday Prayers (22nd September to 3rd November)

22ND SEPTEMBER - TRINITY 17 (PROPER 20)

Anglican	United Church of North India.	
Hereford	Pray for vocation to ministry, for advice, guidance and discernment,	
	and for training for ministry, including the Cuddeston in Gloucester &	
	Hereford course. Pray for all who are presently in training.	
Porvoo	England: Sheffield; Greenland (Diocese within the Danish Church).	
The Wider View	Pray for world peace, for all caught up in civil conflict or trapped in	
	war zones, and for the safety of humanitarian aid workers.	
This Week	In Cycle to School Week, pray for safety on our roads and for the	
	provision of safe routes for children and families to use.	
	National Eye Health Week encourages prayer for all who live with	
	significant sight loss, particularly those who struggle to find the help,	
	advice and support they need.	
	Pray for the work of the Church Army , often in socially deprived areas,	
	enabling people to encounter God's love through practical and	
	transformative action.	
	As the second Diocesan Environment Conference happens this week,	
	pray we may reduce negative impacts on the environment, and	
	encourage others to do the same.	
	Pray for all who experience Ataxia, a degenerative disease of the	
	nervous system: for support management of symptoms, and for	
	understanding and research.	
	Mesothelioma Awareness Day this week prompts prayer for all who	
	have this malignant cancer, caused almost always by exposure to	
	asbestos, for their treatment and for ongoing research.	
29TH SEPTEMB	ER - TRINITY 18 (PROPER 21): MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS	
Anglican	United Church of Pakistan.	
Hereford	Ledbury Deanery.	
Porvoo	Wales: Swansea & Brecon; England: Leicester.	
The Wider View	Pray for the development of our diocesan links with Nuremberg, and	
	that as changes take place both here and there, others will come	
	forward to maintain our existing contacts and establish new ones. Give	
	thanks for the ways in which our links challenge, inform and enrich us.	
This Week	Michaelmas was the traditional end of harvest and start of Autumn:	
	pray for churches, schools and communities with Harvest Festival and	
	other Autumn celebrations around this time.	
	Sunday is World Heart Day: pray for all who live with heart disease, and	
	for action to reduce its incidence and impact.	
	In the week of Francis of Assisi, pray for all Franciscans, and for the	
	Society of St Francis within the Anglican Communion.	
	At a time of stress within our prison system , pray for prisoners, prison	
	staff and chaplains, and for a considered approach to penal reform, to	
	help reduce the numbers of re-offenders.	

In the week of the **International Day for Older Persons**, pray for age to be respected and valued everywhere, and for older people whose lives are restricted by poverty and need.

Pray for all who experience **Anaphylaxis**, a whole body reaction to allergens needing immediate response. Pray for increased awareness, and for help in managing allergies.

Pray for children and adults living with **ADHD** (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder), and for better understanding of neurodiverse conditions generally.

In the week of **National Poetry Day**, pray for all who use poetry to express feelings, faith and vision, and who teach and encourage writing skills in both children and adults.

6TH OCTOBER - TRINITY 19 (PROPER 22)

AnglicanAnglican Church of Papua New Guinea.HerefordPray for our outreach and ministry with children, young people and
families, for all that sustains and resources this, and for our church
schools, and links between church, community and school.PorvooEngland: Liverpool; Wales: Monmouth; Denmark: Haderslev.

The Wider ViewPray for immunisation against childhood diseases (especially
measles) in Tanzania - an ongoing programme that has been
successful, but with some areas where mistrust of vaccinations is
still an issue. Pray for all children may be protected against disease.This WeekGive thanks for the work and service of those who will receive the

Order of St Ethelbert today.

Sunday is also **World Cerebral Palsy Day**: pray for all who live with this condition, especially where support and resources are lacking. In a **rapidly urbanising** world in which many urban residents are young people, particularly in Africa and Asia, pray for young people to engage in planning and for the development of local leadership. In the week of **Dyslexia Awareness Day**, pray for all who live with this condition, and for understanding and support in education. **World Post Day** this week prompts prayer for the postal staff who serve our villages and towns and outlying communities day by day. **Baby Loss Awareness Week** starts this week. Pray for all who go through the experience of losing a child, and that they may receive the care, support and affirmation they need.

Pray for all who need **mental health services** and support, for all mental health workers and for the full funding of NHS services.

13TH OCTOBER - TRINITY 20 (PROPER 23)

Anglican	Episcopal Church in the Philippines.
Hereford	Leominster Deanery.
Porvoo	England: Truro; Norway: Tönsberg; Sweden: Strängnäs.
The Wider View	Give thanks for the International Cross of Nails fellowship, and pray
	for schools becoming Cross of Nails Schools or considering this.

This Week In the week of **World Food Day**, pray for all who go hungry or lack food security, and that we may share more equally, give special help to the neediest, and cut down on food waste.

The **Day for the Eradication of Poverty** also falls this week. Pray for programmes to bring lasting relief from poverty, and to provide for those living in poverty the power and means to rebuild their lives. **Conflict Resolution Day** this week prompts prayer for the work of mediation and arbitration services to help resolve conflict situations in peaceful ways.

St Luke's Day on Friday prompts prayers of thanksgiving for Luke as a Gospel voice, a historian of the Church and a witness to Paul. Pray too for the healing ministry, and for hospital and hospice chaplains. Friday is also **Anti-Slavery Day**. Pray for the release of all who are trapped in situations of modern slavery, for awareness and for decisive action by governments and agencies.

Pray for all who live with **epilepsy**: for improvements in treatment and support, and in access to work and benefits.

Pray for **village and community halls**, for those who run them and those who use their facilities.

20TH OCTOBER - TRINITY 21 (PROPER 24)

Anglican	Eglise Anglicane de Rwanda.
Hereford	Pray for the Local Ministry Scheme, for study opportunities and the
	sharing of resources and good practice and all that helps develop
	shared ministry and confidence in mission.
Porvoo	Sweden: Växjö; England: Oxford.
The Wider View	Pray for illegal immigrants smuggled in by gangs and often destined
	for some form of modern slavery - for effective action against gangs,
	and more accessible access to the process of seeking asylum.
This Week	Osteoporosis affects many people in older age, and is a major cause
	of pain and disability. Pray for improved diagnosis, advice and care.
	In the week of Apple Day pray for fruit farmers, for those who
	preserve traditional varieties, and for greater awareness of the
	provenance and traceability of the food we eat.
	Pray for all who live with speech defects of various kinds, and for
	patience advice and support for young people.
	In the last week before clocks go back pray for all who struggle when
	the world gets darker, both physically and emotionally.
	As we come to the end of another year of mowing and tidying, give
	thanks for those who look after our churchyards, especially those
	who do so as volunteers.
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27TH OCTOBER - LAST AFTER TRINITY (PROPER 25 OR BIBLE SUNDAY)

Anglicar	า	Scottish Episcopal Church.
Herefor	d	Ludlow Deanery.
Porvoo	England	: Carlisle; Norway: Stavanger.

- The Wider View Pray for St Mark's Theological College, Dar es Salaam, for all in training and for those who are newly ordained, and the parishes where they work. Pray for sufficient funds to pay clergy and for training.
- This Week In the week of **Hallowe'en**, pray for Light Parties and other alternatives to Hallowe'en taking place, for the safety of children doing Trick or Treat and similar activities, and that the real dark side to what is presented as fun may not be overlooked or trivialised. Pray for all who have Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (**COPD**), and for help and support for them and for families and carers. In the week of **Martin Luther** pray for the Lutheran Churches of the world today, for the Porvoo Communion, and for our links with Nuremberg.

At **All Saints** tide, give thanks for all who have borne the light of Christ into places of need, and pray for the missionary work of the Church today, especially where it involves risk and incurs opposition. Pray for **All Souls**' tide services and events around this time, and for the pastoral support offered to those who are bereaved. Pray for **local museums**, and for all who research local history. Pray for **family caregivers**, helping older or disabled family members to retain independence and live safely.

3RD NOVEMBER - 4 BEFORE ADVENT OR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Anglican	Province of South East Asia.		
Hereford	Give thanks for the ecumenical, interfaith and international links that		
	help define us as a diocese and pray for their development.		
Porvoo	England: Winchester; Norway: Agder and Telemark.		
The Wider View	Pray for the people of the United States, as the 60th quadrennial presidential election takes place on Tuesday: for an orderly and		
	peaceful process, and that the USA may continue to be a force for good within the world, and a defender of democracy.		
This Week	Pray for all who live with forms of diabetes , and for their care and support.		
	Pray for the safety of those running or attending bonfire and fireworks events within our communities.		
	In the week of National Stress Awareness Day, pray for all who find it		
	hard to deal with the impact of stress in their lives.		
	World Radiology Day is on Friday: pray for for all who work as		
	radiologists, making a vital contribution to diagnosis and care.		
	In the week of World Freedom Day , pray for all who are working in the cause of true freedom in today's world, for the pressures in our lives and in the world that act against freedom, and for the walls of		
	prejudice and apathy that still need to fall.		
	Pray for journalists and reporters reporting from places of need, crisis and conflict, in the dangers they face, and against the hostility of those who seek to silence the truth.		