



## Prayer Diary – April 2025

<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<p>Pray that St Andrew's School's visits to St Andrew's church would go smoothly and that the true message of Easter would be heard and understood by very many.</p> <p>Give thanks for <b>Little Stars</b> and pray that friendships would develop between families.</p> <p>We <b>meet to pray</b> this evening at 7:45 for 8pm at St Andrew's Church (note the change of venue). Pray that many from both churches would come to pray.</p>
<b>Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<p>Praise God that Springhead School are coming to St Luke's Church today. Pray that many of the children and staff would be amazed by the true historical facts of the first Easter, and that they would be led to praise Jesus.</p>
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<p>Pray for the <b>Bible Storytelling Team</b> this morning as they lead an Easter themed assembly at Carr Lane School. Pray that the children and staff alike would understand the true meaning of Easter.</p>
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p>Pray that the women attending <b>Faith on Friday</b> this lunchtime would grow in their understanding and knowledge of the gospel and their love of Jesus.</p> <p>Give thanks for this term at <b>LaunchPad, Rockets and Impact</b> that all meet today for the last time before the Easter break.</p>
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p>Praise God for all the <b>new people</b> he has brought to our churches during the last year. Pray that each one (you might be one of them!) would be rooted and established in the faith. Ask that God, in his kindness, would continue to bring to us one new person, couple or family each month.</p>

<p><b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>As we <b>finish Zechariah</b> in our morning services today, look back at the book and pray that God would continue to teach you the lessons he's taught you from it in recent months. Pray that our <b>Evening Service</b> would continue to develop its own identity and Christian community.</p>
<p><b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Today sees the start of the <b>Epic Explorers Academy Holiday Club</b>. Pray that all the children signed up and all the volunteers helping would all be able to attend for the days they're due to come. Pray that nobody is poorly. Ask God to cause the holiday club to work well each day. Pray that families would return for the special family slot at the end of each day's session.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Pray that the leaders and helpers at <b>Epic Explorers Academy Holiday Club</b> would all have the energy they need for today and tomorrow.</p>
<p><b>Weds 9<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Pray that the children from non-Christian homes who are attending <b>Epic Explorers Academy Holiday Club</b> would all grasp the gospel and want to follow Jesus. Pray that this morning's <b>Archdeacon's Visitation</b> at St Luke's would be fruitful. Pray for Andy Broom, our Archdeacon, that he would always hold firm to the gospel and make Jesus known through his work across the East Riding.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 10th April</b></p>	<p>Pray that all those preparing our buildings for Easter (cleaning, tidying, flowers, etc) would find blessing in their mainly voluntary work.</p>
<p><b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Ask God to help you this coming Easter to <b>focus on Jesus' death and resurrection</b>, and how both glorify God. Ask him to help you meditate on his love, mercy and glory.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Pray that a great time would be had by all at the <b>Epic Explorers Family Activity Morning</b> and that good friendships that eventually draw people to Jesus would be made.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Today is <b>Palm Sunday</b>. Praise Jesus that he is the true King who rules all of creation. Pray that we learn more about his kingship at this morning's All Age services.</p>
<p><b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b></p>	<p>Give thanks for the life of Cicely Storey whose funeral is this morning at St Andrew's. Pray that all her family would grasp the certain hope that she had in Jesus. Pray that this afternoon's <b>Archdeacon's Visitation</b> at St Andrew's would be fruitful.</p>

<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for the work of the <b>Diocese of York Safeguarding Team</b> , especially Jenny Price the trainer who is coming to St Andrew's today to lead some in-person Basic and Foundation courses for people in our churches and others local to us.
<b>Weds 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Praise God that all who trust in Jesus' words will one day enter his eternal rest. Pray that children, teachers and school support staff who are on <b>Easter holidays</b> at the moment would have a good rest.
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Today is <b>Maundy Thursday</b> when we remember Jesus' anguish in the Garden of Gethsemane as he waited to be arrested. Pray that at our 7:30pm Communion Service at St Luke's, we would all have opportunity to consider what Jesus went through for us, and so love and praise him.
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Today is <b>Good Friday</b> when we spend lots of time considering Jesus' death on the cross when he took upon himself our sin. Spend some time today, perhaps at the 10:45am all age service at St Andrew's, the 2pm meditative service at St Luke's, or somewhere by yourself worshipping our Saviour who died for us.
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray for three Christian friends, specifically that their minds and hearts would be focused like never before on Jesus this Easter.
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Happy Easter! He is risen, hallelujah! Pray that very many people would come to praise Jesus with great joy at either of our morning services or our evening service today.
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Give great thanks to God for all the very many people of all ages who have heard about Jesus through our services and events this Easter. Pray that many would be born again.
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Give thanks that Warm Spaces has got off to such a good restart at St Luke's. Give God thanks for the team of volunteers who are getting to know those who come to Warm Spaces week by week. Pray for gospel fruit.
<b>Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Pray that families at <b>St Luke's Toddler Group</b> would increase as a proportion of those who attend, and give thanks for the professional childminders who come too.
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that the <b>Women's Christian Book Club</b> that meets this evening at St Luke's would continue to be spiritually nourishing and friendship building.

<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that all the children return to <b>LaunchPad, Rockets and Impact</b> today. Pray especially for those who are moving up an age group, that they would quickly fit in well.
<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Ash goes on his sabbatical on 1 <sup>st</sup> May. Give thanks for him, Mim, Harry and Timmy and pray that all four of them would have opportunity to recharge during the next three months.
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	This morning we get back into Colossians. Pray that God would use this letter to help us stick with only Jesus and spot ideas, philosophies and worldviews that are contrary to him and his teaching.
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	The <b>Bible Storytelling Team</b> are in St Andrew's School today and Carr Lane School on Thursday. Pray that through their assemblies many children find out more about Jesus.
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for our Growth Groups. Pray that God would use them to root and establish us in the gospel and fill us full of heartfelt thanksgiving to God.
<b>Weds 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Praise God for how he is using the <b>Midweek Communion Service</b> at St Andrew's to grow Christians in faith and love.

*Jesus told Thomas, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'* (John 20:29)

### **Our Benefice Vision Statement**

*We are one people with all kinds of pasts and backgrounds, graciously forgiven at the cross and called together by God encouraging one another to be faithful to our risen Saviour Jesus in the power of the Spirit by living our whole lives according to his word, and by making Him known throughout Willerby and Kirk Ella, and beyond.*

***Loved by Jesus, Living for Jesus***