**Prayer Diary August 2025**

*In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Matthew 6:9*

The prayers each day are for:

* the mission and ministry of a benefice
* organisations, schools, events of the diocese and the wider community
* our link Diocese Kagera and World Mission

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For details of the Church of England calendar please visit [here](https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/calendar).

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| **Mon 4 Aug 2025** | Hartismere and Hoxne DeanerySouth Hartismere: The Revd Debbie Nicholls; Emma Morris and Karin Stubbington (Children and Family Ministers) | For summer holidays and those unable to get away | Kagera; The Revd Sosthenes Nathani Muheneye, Kumubanga Parish; The Revd Eliakimu Gwassa Dawson, Parish Pastor in Kagali Parish |
| **Tues 5 Aug 2025** | Colneys DeaneryFelixstowe Christ Church: The Revd Dominic Turner; The Revd Liz Livey; The Revd Peter Livey | Debt Relief Agencies and those struggling with the cost of living | Lweru: The Rt Revd Godfrey Mbelwa, Diocesan Bishop; The Rt Revd Jackson Lugumira, Retired Bishop |
| **Wed 6 Aug 2025** | Colneys DeaneryFelixstowe St John the Baptist with St Edmund: The Revd Penny Brinkley; Priest in Charge post vacant | Church School in Colneys Deanery: Nacton Primary School | Kagera: The Revd Samson Brighton Bagege, Parish of Mubuhenge; The Revd Andrew Festo Kitungwa, Parish Pastor in Namigwe Parish |
| **Thurs 7** **Aug 2025** | Colneys DeaneryFelixstowe St Peter and St Paul with St Andrew and St Nicholas: The Revd Chris Hood; The Revd David White; The Revd Georgina South | Churches in coastal areas | Lweru: The Revd Canon Ernest Rutabanzibwa, Diocesan Vicar General; The Revd Meshack Mwizagi, Diocesan Secretary |
| **Fri 8 Aug****2025** | Colneys DeaneryKesgrave with Little Bealings and Playford: The Revd Canon Andrew Dotchin; The Revd Gary Jones; Martyn Shakespeare (Reader) | Chaplains to Seafarers (Port of Felixstowe) | Kagera: The Revd Simon Nathan Basekahino, Parish Pastor Nyakatuntu; The Revd Joseph Aggrey Mashanda, Chaplain NAPS and MMSS |
| **Sat 9 Aug 2025**  | Colneys DeaneryMartlesham with Brightwell: The Revd Toby Tate; The Revd Christine Pinder; The Revd Rob Allinson; Carolyn Smith and Marga Gibbs-Van Dijk (both Readers) | Mothers Union | Pray for the Christian church in Laos. Praise God for rapid church growth even under government restrictions and persecution! Pray urgently for leaders both in the recognized churches and in the house church networks. Pray that new believers will grow strong in faith, and not fall away |
| **Sun 10 Aug****2025** | **Colneys Deanery****The Orwell and Deben Rural Benefice: The Revd Nick Williams** | **Refugees in Suffolk** | **Pray for Afghanistan – for women and girls denied freedoms – particularly education, and for the work of relief agencies tackling issues of crushing poverty and lack of healthcare** |
| **Mon 11 Aug 2025** | Colneys DeaneryWalton and Trimley: The Revd Enid Pow; The Revd Wendy Smith; The Revd Linda Pepper | PTO Clergy, Readers and Licensed Lay Ministers | Biharamulo: The Revd Mark Onyango, Lusahunga Parish; The Revd Canon Lawrent Baranga, the Vicar General |
| **Tues 12 Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryCockfield (Benefice): The Revd Canon Sharon Potter; The Revd Richard Stainer; The Revd Fiona Malby; Christine Stainer (Children and Family Minister) | International Youth Day to celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today’s global society | Biharamulo: Judith Kaigarula, Mothers Union Co-ordinator; The Revd Erasto Bilago, Mnzani Parish |
| **Wed 13****Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryElmswell (Benefice): The Revd Peter Goodridge | Clergy Retirement Officer (The Revd Dr Simon Hill) and Clergy Widow/Widower Officers (The Revd Canon A and Revd C Forsdike) | Lweru: The Revd Canon Josias Msafiri, Pastor; The Revd Enock F Rweyemamu, Principle of Lweru Bible College |
| **Thurs 14 Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryLavenham with Preston: The Revd Canon Simon Pitcher | For all receiving A Level Results today | Kagera: The Revd Josias Andrea, Parish Pastor Mugasenga; The Revd Scott Edward Runyota, Parish Pastor, Muganza Parish |
| **Fri 15 Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryMonks Eleigh with Chelsworth and Brent Eleigh with Milden and Kettlebaston: The Revd Mike Birt | Church Primary Schools in Lavenham Deanery: Cockfield Primary School; Great Whelnetham Primary School; All Saints Primary School Lawshall; Rattlesden Primary School; Rougham Primary School | Kagera: The Revd Geoffrey Charles, Parish Pastor Murongo Border; The Revd Labani Nyambele, Parish Pastor, Mumilango Parish |
| **Sat 16 Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryRattlesden with Thorpe Morieux, Brettenham and Hitcham: The Revd Sharon Grenham-Thompson; Ruth Crocket (Reader) | Growing in God diocesan aims (younger, in number, in depth and in influence) | Continue to pray for South Sudan. Every family in South Sudan suffers lasting effects from the horrors of war and conflict. Pray for the Church to have a good influence in society and leadership, to make life better for all people. We echo the words of the final line of the national anthem, “Oh God, bless South Sudan!” |
| **Sun 17 Aug 2025** | **Lavenham Deanery****Rougham, Beyton with Hessett and Rushbrooke: The Revd Canon Julia Lall; The Revd Sarah Lock; Marcus Bateman (Reader)** | **The NHS** | **General elections are scheduled to take place in Bolivia today. Poverty and inequality continue to plague Bolivia and drive a wedge between the haves and have-nots. Pray for the election that produces a government that will address issues of poverty** |
| **Mon 18 Aug 2025** | Lavenham DeaneryWoolpit with Drinkstone Benefice: Rector post vacant | For all getting married in our churches this summer | Kagera: The Revd Arfaxa Bakengesa on home leave; The Revd Ibrahimu Balindiye, Parish Pastor, Bukiriro Parish |
| **Tues****19 Aug 2025** | Clare DeaneryBansfield: The Revd Eve Bell | The IT industry | Kagera: The Revd Marko Zakaria, Mukitamo Parish; The Revd Iliho Wilson Philimon, Kigina Parish |
| **Wed 20 Aug 2025** | Clare DeaneryHaverhill with Withersfield: The Revd Max Drinkwater; The Revd Wendy Norris; The Revd Catherine Cox; Diana Allin and Elizabeth Foulkes (both Children and Family Ministers) | Prisons in Suffolk (Hollesley Bay, Warren Hill, Highpoint), prisoners and staff | Kagera: The Revd Alipio Malaki, Parish Pastor, Kabarekela; The Revd Samweli Salmon Ndayanse, Nyakiziba Parish |
| **Thurs 21 Aug 2025** | Clare DeaneryStourhead: The Revd Chris Giles | For all receiving GCSE results today | Kagera: The Revd Jotham Herman Kabiligi, Parish Pastor, Nyakayanja; The Revd Syrestin Makure, Rural Dean of Kyerwa and Parish Pastor in Rwele Parish |
| **Fri 22 Aug 2025** | Clare DeanerySuffolk Heights: The Revd Clive Fairclough; Lizzie Baker (Reader) | Church Primary Schools in Clare Deanery: Cavendish and Thurlow | Today is the International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief. Please pray for our sisters and brothers who suffer across the world for their faith – and for agencies like Open Doors who work to support them (<www.opendoorsuk.org>) |
| **Sat 23 Aug 2025** | Clare DeaneryThe Stour Valley: The Revd Mark Woodrow; The Revd Karen Smith | International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition, pray for its end around the world today | As today is the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition, pray for those who are victims of modern-day slavery. Pray for those who travel to the UK to find work and instead find themselves the subjects of abuse. Pray for the work of Anti-Slavery International |
| **Sun 24 Aug 2025** | **Sudbury Deanery****Acton with Gt Waldingfield: The Revd Faith Marsden; Frank Marsden (Reader)** | **Parish Nursing Ministries UK** | **The 2025 Syrian parliamentary election is scheduled to take place in late August 2025 to elect 100 of the 150 members of the People's Assembly of Syria, the country’s national legislature. Pray for Syria, for elections to take place peacefully and for good governance to return to the land** |
| **Mon 25 Aug 2025**  | Sudbury DeaneryBoxford, Edwardstone, Groton, Little Waldingfield and Newton: Rector post vacant; The Ven James Ridge | Libraries, Museums and Parks of Suffolk | Lweru: The Revd Canon Dawson Ishabakaki, Rural Dean, Biirabo Deanery and Parish; The Revd Arnold Edward, Pastor in training in Uganda |
|  **Tues 26** **Aug 2025** | Sudbury DeaneryBures with Assington and Little Cornard: The Revd Daniel Whiffon; The Revd Canon Simon White; Andrew Clifft and Sara Merritt (both Readers) | Military Bases in Suffolk – British and US | Kagera: The Revd Titus Rusule, Parish Pastor, Nyamahwa; The Revd Robert Richard Ruhiga, Parish Pastor in Nyakahanga Parish |
| **Wed 27 Aug 2025** | Sudbury DeaneryChadbrook Benefice: The Revd Matthew Lawson; The Revd Judith Offord; The Revd Charlotte Harkness; Pam Tonks (Children and Family Minister); Dr Kevin Powell (Reader) | Alcoholics Anonymous Groups | Kagera: The Revd Samson Amos, Mukalinzi Parish; The Revd Pregmon Luboha, Rural Dean, Bukiriro and Murugunga Parish |
| **Thurs 28 Aug 2025** | Sudbury DeaneryGlem Valley United Benefice: The Revd Mary Styles; The Revd Julia Perkins | Church Primary Schools in Sudbury Deanery: Acton; Boxford; Bures; Crawford’s, Haughley; Great Finborough; Great Waldingfield; Hartest; Long Melford; Old Newton; St Gregory, Sudbury; Trinity, and Tudor, Sudbury | Biharamulo: The Revd Wilson Ernest, Muganza Parish |
| **Fri 29 Aug 2025** | Sudbury DeaneryGreat Cornard: The Revd Chris Ramsey; The Revd Jennie Ridley; the Revd Rowland Bareham; Sam Beadle (Children and Family Minister); JP Broughton (Reader) | For Schools, Colleges and Universities as they prepare for the new term | Lweru: The Revd Canon Brighton Mtafungwa, Rural Dean, Katoke Deanery and Pastor in Buhaya Parish; The Revd Canon Elisha Bililiza, Rural Dean and Pastor in Bukoba Deanery and Parish |
| **Sat 30 Aug 2025** | Sudbury DeanerySudbury St Gregory w St Peter and Chilton: The Revd Andrew Doarks; The Revd Chris Ramsey | The Retail Industry | Kagera: The Rt Revd Bishop Darlington Bendankeha, Bishop of Kagera |
| **Sun 31 Aug 2025** | **Sudbury Deanery****Sudbury with Ballingdon & Brundon: The Revd Chris Ramsey; The Revd Andrew Doarks; Lynne Fish (Licensed Evangelist)** | **Mental Health Services and Charities** | **Pray for Mexico and particularly for the immigration and labour issues which are causing such friction with the US government. Migrant Mexican labour in California and other US border states is currently estimated at nearly 13 million and are overwhelmingly male and predominantly young. Remember before God those apprehended trying to enter the USA, those left behind and those already in the USA many of whom now face deportation. Pray for Christian agencies and churches ministering to these groups** |