



# Prayer Thoughts for April 2021



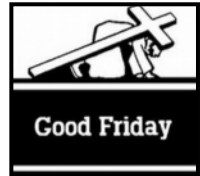
## **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April : Maundy Thursday**

After Supper, Jesus went to Gethsemane & prayed that God would spare him the things that were to happen. ... Loving God, give us strength to face tough situations in our lives rather than look for easy ways to avoid them.



## **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April : Good Friday**

The Centurion is reported to have said "Surely he was the Son of God" when Jesus was crucified. ... Lord, teach us not to be so blind that we don't see you for who you really are.

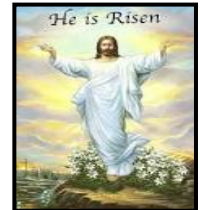


**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** : Pray for those taking part in the "Easter Prayer Trail". Pray for those involved in preparations to reopen the Church and for more volunteers to help with the running of the Church.



## **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April : Easter Day - He Is Risen**

Give thanks that the Church is reopening and we can come together to celebrate the Resurrection of our Saviour. Pray for the Holy Spirit's inspiration for those bringing the Good News that Jesus is Alive.



## **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April : Easter Monday**

Remember in your prayers Rebecca and Martin Roscoe who celebrate their Wedding Anniversary - may the Love of God surround them today and in the years to come.



## **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April :**

Continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and inspiration for the Circuit Ministry Team as they seek the Will of God for the Circuit. Give thanks for all those who have been involved with leading worship - may God continue to guide their work.

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### ***Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April : World Health Day and the Sick***

Continue to pray for the Sick. Pray for those awaiting test results, diagnosis, treatments and surgeries. Pray for the ongoing work and dedication of the NHS staff. Pray that the vaccination roll out continues to schedule.

### ***Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April : The Bereaved***

Pray for those who have lost loved ones in our church, the local community and across the world. May the love of God surround them and uplift them in their time of grief and sadness.

***Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April :*** Pray for people struggling with relationships and may be heading towards breakups or divorce. Pray that they can find help to address their situation and find an amicable way to resolve it or to move on if reconciliation is not possible.

***Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April :*** Pray for the Holy Spirit's continuing guidance and inspiration for The Government as it seeks to lead the country out of lockdown and return to a more normal way of life. Pray for continuing patience and adherence to guidelines to keep everyone safe and to save lives.

### ***Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April : Second Sunday after Easter***

Pray for those leading worship today - may the Holy Spirit guide their message and may we have open hearts and minds to receive it and respond to it.

***Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April :*** Pray for the country as Step 2 of Lockdown Easements are planned to start, and people will continue to follow the guidelines so there is not an increase in the "R" rate. Remember in your prayers Ethan Ward who is 4 today. Pray for Cuerden School which reopens after the Easter break.

***Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April :*** Pray for Don Roscoe who celebrates his birthday - may God bless him and his family. Remember in your prayers the Circuit Ministry Team which meets virtually to share time in prayer.

***Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April :*** Pray for The World and it's people. Pray that all peoples may live in peace and harmony, free from oppression, injustice and racism. Remember at this time the people of Syria who are still living in fear of oppression from their Government.

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**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April** : Pray for God`s for those attending the Midweek Communion service that our Minister, Karen, leads. Pray for David Evans who celebrates his birthday - may God bless him and his family at this time. Pray for the Dancing Class that may be reopening today.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April** : Pray for God`s blessing for Eunice Evans who celebrates her birthday. Pray for the ongoing work of the Street Pastors in the Preston and Chorley areas. Pray for the people they meet - may they see how the love of God can change their lives.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April** : Pray for the people of the Yemen who are still suffering the affects of a civil war that began in 2016, followed by famine, an outbreak of cholera and now the covid-19 pandemic. Pray for the ongoing work of various groups to ease the situation there.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April** : **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter** May the Holy Spirit inspire the message that our minister, Karen, will bring to today`s service. Remember in your prayers Christine Billington who celebrates her birthday - may God continue to bless her and keep her safe.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April** : Continue to pray for the people of Iraq. Pray that God will guide those who are displaced to where they can settle down. Pray that their community and the Iraqi government will enable a Christian heartland to be re-established in Iraq.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April** : Continue to pray for the Circuit Ministry Team who meet to seek God`s Will for the Circuit - may the wisdom of the Holy Spirit guide and inspire their thoughts and decisions.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April** : In Genesis 1v31 is written "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good." Today is **World Earth Day**, pray for God`s help in caring for and looking after the World that He created. Pray for His guidance to seek ways to use the Earth`s resources wisely.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** : Continue to pray for the people of Myanmar who are still suffering oppression from the military government. May God give them the strength and courage to endure their situation.

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### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April :**

Remember in your prayers those who are Housebound and those struggling with mental health issues. Pray that the Housebound can find companionship and those with mental health issues can find help to ease their situation.

### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April :**

Pray for God's blessing and the Holy Spirit's wisdom and guidance for all those taking part in the District Virtual Representatives Synod.

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April : 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter**

Pray for everyone leading worship today, either in Church or Online. Pray for God's blessing for Chris Ward who celebrates his birthday and our Minister, Karen, who goes on leave till 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

Trust in God.  
We can only  
see a little bit  
down the road  
but God can  
see around  
every curve.

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April :** Remember in your prayers Audrey Bibby who celebrates her birthday - may God's love surround her at this time. Pray for all residents of Care Homes - may God continue to keep them safe and well.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April :** Pray for the members of the Circuit Ministry Team meeting for their virtual prayer time - may God bless their time and their Ministry. Pray for our country - may all people live in peace and harmony, be treated as equals and able to walk the streets of our towns and cities safely and without fear.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April :** Pray for the people of Bamber Bridge. Pray that they keep the current guidelines and help keep each other safe and well. Pray that they continue to live in peace and harmony with each other, no matter what race, colour or creed.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April :** Remember in your prayers Janet Bange who celebrates her birthday and Nancy Strong is 7 today. May the love of God surround them both and their families at this time.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April :** Pray for the Staff and Pupils of Cuerden School which closes for the May Day holiday - may they enjoy the rest and be refreshed to renew their studies in the coming term.