

The St John's Parish Prayer 2026

You may wish to use this prayer daily as part of your rhythm of prayer.

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people here at St John's. As we seek to do your will, gives us ears to hear, eyes to see, wills to obey and hearts to love. Amen.

Praying together at St John's during the week

We pray every day at 9.30am Monday to Friday for the life of the Parish. Everyone is welcome to join us. We meet in the Lady Chapel.

Can we pray for you?

If you would like someone to pray for you, whatever it might be this can be done either as part of our worship or privately by our St Luke's Prayer Cell. Do contact our Parish Administrator to be added to one of our prayer lists: parish.office@stjohnsharpenden.org.uk

St John's Prayer Diary

January 2026



Introduction

Welcome to our St John's Prayer Diary for January 2026 with a prayer intention for every day of the month. This month we will be focusing on praying for our Church for the coming year. Especially focus this month will be on individuals who take on extra responsibilities in the life of the church, and the various committees and groups which enable us to live out God's Love here in Harpenden.

1. For the Year of our Lord 2026, and that we might know God more deeply and richly in our lives.
2. For the Vicar, and his ministry over the next year.
3. For Iain Pritchard, Churchwarden and strength to serve the Parish.
4. For David Nye, praying for his pastoral, funeral and preaching ministry.
5. For Anne Edwards, praying for her preaching ministry.
6. The Epiphany, and that Christ may be Manifested amongst us (why not read more Matth 2.1-12 or pick up some chalk in church for to bless your own homes for the next year).
7. For Lauryn Awbrey, praying for her preaching ministry and to Faith and Light.
8. For Christine Kenyon, and her ministry to children and families.
9. For Alison Bygrave, and her ministry in Taize worship and finance.
10. For Mary Jean Pritchard our PCC Secretary.
11. For the Members of the PCC and their work over the year.
12. For the Fabric Committee and their work over the year caring for our buildings.
13. For the Social Committee and their work in bringing us together and events planned for this year.
14. For the Stewardship Committee and encouraging us to put God first in our finances.
15. For the Children and Families Committee and our ministry to families.

16. For the Parish Centre Project Board and the development of Project Phoenix.
17. For our work towards our Mission Action Plan Goals.
18. For our Pastoral Visiting Team and their care for the sick.
19. For the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and all churches in Harpenden.
20. For Amanda, our Parish Administrator and for the hospitality of our Parish Office.
21. For Matt, our Director of Music, and the choirs he leads.
22. For Katie, our Cleaner, and all who keep St John's clean.
23. For our Outside giving Committee and our generosity to other charities.
24. For the Finance Committee and our good stewardship of church finances.
25. For Liz MacDonald and Safeguarding at St John's.
26. Remembering the conversion of St Paul and our mission to Proclaim the Gospel.
27. For the worship Committee and enabling us to draw close to God in worship.
28. For our Eco Church Committee and their work towards attaining our Gold Award.
29. For the Standing Committee, and their extra commitment to the life and worship of St John's.
30. For our Outreach Committee and new ways to show God's loving care to our Parosh through acts of service.
31. For those involved in our church communications – online and magazine – for sharing what we do as a church to our community.