

The St John's Parish Prayer 2025

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.

Corporate Daily Prayer at St John's

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

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

September 2025



Introduction

Welcome to our St John's Prayer Diary for September 2025 with a prayer intention for every day of the month. The focus of our prayers this month is for creation.

1. Pray for your own role in the Fifth Mark of Mission 'to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain & renew the life of the earth'.
2. For those who have a birthday this month.
3. For all who volunteer in our Eco-Church Team, giving thanks for our success as a church in attaining our Silver Award, and asking for help in the work still to be done.
4. Pray for our Rivers, especially the River Lea and Batford Springs.
5. For reassessment of our goal to be Carbon Neutral as a church by 2030.
6. For our Town Rangers and those who look after green spaces in Harpenden.
7. Our Bag Blessing today and those going back to school or work after the summer break.
8. Remembering today the Birth of the Virgin Mary.
9. Giving thanks for Harpenden Common. Why not go for a walk and contemplate God in what you see?
10. For those who strive to look after the environment in our country, especially the RSPB and The Beds and Herts Wildlife Trust.
11. For those who look after the environment in other countries.
12. For La Rocha, and the work they do to encourage churches.
13. For all those taking part in 'Bike and hike' today, for Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust, and all who take on the challenge to care for our historic churches.
14. For those who help out with Forest Schools and for plans to start our own Forest Church.
15. Our celebration of Education Sunday, and our preacher Andy Ford.
16. For those working to raise awareness of climate change.

17. Pray about your own green practices. Is there anything you can do better?
18. As we remember Hildegard, Abbess 1179, we give thanks for music which inspires us to see God in creation. What's your favourite Harvest hymn?
19. For those being baptised this month, may they grow up into a greener and more environmentally sustainable world.
20. For those who run, and work on, allotments and grow their own fruit and veg.
21. Pray for our work to be a more inclusive church as we celebrate Inclusion Sunday.
22. Give thanks for St Matthew and his gospel. Why not see what the Bible has to say about the environment?
23. For the Environment Agency, and all who work on setting government policy.
24. Giving thanks for being a Fairtrade Church.
25. For those preparing to take part in COP30, the United Nations Climate Change Conference, held in Brazil this year.
26. For our politicians to take Climate Change seriously.
27. Pray for all who care for our Church grounds. Why not take a moment to enjoy it next time you are at Church?
28. For churches to work together for real change in how we approach the environment.
29. Give thanks for St Michael and all angels, and all named after angels.
30. Pray for preparations for our Harvest Festival on 5th October 2025.