

**St Luke's  
Willerby**



**St Andrew's Kirk Ella**  
**Loved by Jesus, Living for Jesus**

## **Prayer Diary – April 2023**

<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<p>Praise God for the gospel being heard clearly last month's mission. Pray that many who came to St Luke's, St Andrew's or met Roger and Julian in Hull city centre would put their trust in Jesus.</p> <p>Pray for a happy time of fellowship and welcome at the afternoon tea at St Luke's</p>
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<p>We meet together this morning at St Luke's and St Andrew's and this evening at St Andrew's. Pray that God would work in and among us by his Word.</p>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<p>The Secret Agents Academy Holiday Club begins today at St Andrew's. Pray that all the children who registered come, that they learn a little bit about Jesus, and that that they enjoy themselves and come back tomorrow.</p>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p>Pray that the children at the Holiday Club make good friends with each other and want to discover more about Jesus today. Pray for energy for all the leaders.</p> <p>We meet to pray this evening, 7:45 for an 8pm start at the Memorial Hall. Pray many would come in dependence on our gracious God.</p>
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p>Pray that the leaders at the Holiday Club would have chance to talk to the parents and carers of the children and begin to make friendships. Pray that all the children and their adults would want to come back to church on Sunday morning.</p>
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<p>Today is Maundy Thursday. Pray for this evening's service of Holy Communion at St Luke's, particularly that it would be a time of reflection as we consider the cup Jesus drank on our behalf.</p>

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<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that at this morning's all age service at St Andrew's and this afternoon's At the Foot of the Cross service at St Luke's, we would all be struck by the wonder of Jesus' self-sacrifice on our behalf, and that we would be thankful.
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that families with children and that teachers and other school staff would all manage to have a restful break.
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Praise God for Jesus' resurrection! Pray that many would come to both our Easter Celebrations this morning, and that lots of children from the Holiday Club and their families would come to St Andrew's and hear the greatest news there is.
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that all the people who came to all of our Easter events would be thankful for the cross and praise God for the resurrection. Pray that any who don't yet know Jesus would be born again.
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that as St John's Bransholme plan a major refurbishment of the building, that God would provide all they need for the site to be suitable for gospel outreach for the next generation.
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for the Hull Ministry Association, working together within the Church of England for the good of the gospel. Pray that God would protect the unity in the gospel that members share.
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for Liz Telford working in the St Andrew's church office. Pray that she would be very quickly up to speed with all the different things that need to be done.
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray for all those willing to serve on our PCCs and as Churchwardens and Deputy Wardens, that God would give them the wisdom they need for the task ahead.
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that the bishops in the Church of England would set forth only the truth of the scriptures and drive out error, as each of them promised to do at their consecrations.
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	We meet today around God's Word. Pray that you would hear his voice clearly and continue to be transformed by the renewal of your mind.

<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for our staff team – those with ‘up front’ roles, those with ‘admin’ roles, and those with ‘practical’ roles. Pray that God would grant them all strength to do what they need to do, and joy as they do it.
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Little Stars begins today for the Summer Term. Give thanks for the many friendships that have formed and grown so far this school year. Pray that they would continue to grow.
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray for St Luke’s Toddler Group meeting for the first time after Easter today, that families would return once more. Give thanks for the BCP communion service at St Andrew’s. Praise God for the depth in the liturgy that helps us deepen our faith.
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for the hundreds of people who come through the doors of St Martin’s Church each month and hear something of Jesus. Pray that God would bring many from death to life.
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	LaunchPad, Rockets and Impact all happen this afternoon and evening. Pray that all the children and youth would return after the Easter break, and that God would be teaching each of them about himself.
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Pray that God would provide Adam Young with all the finances and prayer support he needs to go to Japan this summer.
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	We begin a new series in the Book of Ruth this morning with Adam Young preaching for us. Pray that we would all commit to God and his people as Ruth did.
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Praise God for the opportunities we have with the Open the Book team and staff members going into all the primary schools in the parishes. Pray that many children and members of staff would be intrigued by Jesus, want to know more, and join us on Sundays or midweek.
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for our Growth Groups. Pray that God would continue to use them to grow us in depth of our trust in and love for Jesus.

<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray for those in our church families who are housebound or unable to come to church through long-term illness. Pray that we as their Christian brothers and sisters would look out for them, and that they would keep trusting God.
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray that God would add one family, couple or individual to each of our church families every month. Pray that we would welcome new people as God brings them to us.
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks for the need fulfilled by Friendship Club that meets this afternoon at St Luke's. Pray that all who come would find friendship with one another, but even more so friendship with Jesus.
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Pray for the last-minute preparations for the Coronation Hog Roast coming up early next month. Pray that many would come, and that we would celebrate the occasion by remembering the King of kings.
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Give thanks to God that we can meet freely in this country. Pray for safety for persecuted Christians as they meet today in dangerous situations.

*When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (Colossians 2:13-15)*

### **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.*

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