

Prayer Diary – November 2020

“So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.” Genesis 1:27

1	Sunday All Saints’ Day Pray that all men, women and children may be part of the communion of Saints, serving God in building His Kingdom through our daily lives.	8	Remembrance Sunday Please remember in your prayers all those in our prisons who have served in the Armed Forces for whom today holds a special significance.
2	Monday National Stress Awareness Day Lift up all those in our prisons who are suffering stress, anxiety or related mental and psychological illness, especially at this time of pandemic, that their suffering may be eased through friendship and accompaniment.	9	Monday Today there is a PF Area Leaders’ Meeting. Pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit to enlighten minds, inspire hearts, and bring together in unity and thinking so that fresh fruit may be borne of this meeting
3	Tuesday Lord, we know that many prisoners have spent some of their childhood in the care system. During National Adoption Week , we pray for all children who are without a family right now.	10	Tuesday With many <i>Sycamore Tree</i> courses on hold due to Covid-19 restrictions, pray for men and women who have missed out on this gift, that they may find fresh opportunities of restorative justice to help them make a new start.
4	Wednesday <i>Prayer Line</i> request: M asks that we pray for his family, for both of his brothers in prison, his family relationships and lift up the traveller community in our prayers.	11	Wednesday Ask God to give prison staff the wisdom that will allow peace to prosper and understanding and sharing flourish for those in their care.
5	Thursday Pray for those entering prison at this time, that they may be given the spirit of courage, and blessed with strength to face the time and challenges ahead of them.	12	Thursday Living God, we are all sinners. Breathe the spirit of forgiveness into all hearts, that each person in prison and those who minister to them shall know they are children of God, loved, forgiven and precious in Your eyes.
6	Friday Ask God that those in prison will not feel alone but will find angels of support to show them friendship and hope.	13	Friday Ask the Holy Spirit to be with all men and women who are leaving prison this month. Ask that they will be welcomed back into their communities and have a sense of belonging.
7	Saturday Give thanks for PF volunteers, and for the generosity of their hearts. Pray that even through Covid-19, volunteers will find ways to reach out and serve the most vulnerable, through prayer, <i>Angel Tree</i> and <i>Letter Link</i> .	14	Saturday Petition the Lord God on behalf of families of prisoners that they will be comforted and consoled in the knowledge that they are still loved.

15	<p>Sunday Bless those children of prisoners who will be helped by the <i>Angel Tree</i> programme, and all the volunteers and chaplains who make <i>Angel Tree</i> possible. Pray that there are sufficient funds to help even more children this year.</p>	22	<p>Sunday National Anti Bullying Week This week we remember those who face hostility in prison. May the spirit of the Lord bring comfort to them, and may they be given the courage to confide in Him.</p>
16	<p>Monday International Day of Tolerance Prisons are often difficult and challenging places to live and operate. Pray that there will be greater tolerance between those who serve, minister and reside in prisons so that relationships may prosper, and mental health and wellbeing improve.</p>	23	<p>Monday Remember PF volunteers and those from other ministries who are unable to go in to prison at present. Bring them before God today.</p>
17	<p>Tuesday Pray for all the prison staff and chaplains in our prisons, that with God's guidance they may continue to effectively adapt and conduct their work within the restrictions of lockdown and the pandemic.</p>	24	<p>Tuesday <i>Prayer Line</i> request: A asks for forgiveness, he has been disclosing his offences to the police. He asks for prayer for the victims of crime and for his rehabilitation while in prison.</p>
18	<p>Wednesday <i>Prayer Line</i> request: K asks that we pray for her daughter A, who is in a difficult place at the moment and needs to go into therapy. A is only 15 years old.</p>	25	<p>Wednesday Please lift up older people in prison, especially those with complex needs. Ask God for protection of their wellbeing</p>
19	<p>Thursday Ask God to give governments and all leaders wisdom, compassion and foresight in their decisions relating to protection of people in prison during the pandemic.</p>	26	<p>Thursday <i>Prayer Line</i> request: R asks we pray for his victim. He hurt someone in a fight and he recognises he is an alcoholic and hopes he can overcome this addiction. He asks we also pray for his two children.</p>
20	<p>Friday Universal Children's Day to make children's needs known to governments Because children who suffer neglect or abuse often end up leading lives of crime, we offer up prayer that our government may be sensitive and attentive to families struggling to take good care of their young.</p>	27	<p>Friday Give thanks to our Father for all PF volunteers and beneficiaries who have kindly shared their stories and experiences with the PF Support Team to help us build awareness of our work.</p>
21	<p>Saturday At this difficult time of Covid-19 restrictions, please pray for prisoners requesting help from <i>Angel Tree</i>, and for the chaplaincy teams called on to help make this happen.</p>	28	<p>Saturday <i>Prayer Line</i> request: J is recovering from drug addiction. She asks that you pray for her children too and that when she is released she can be back with them.</p>
		29	<p>Sunday Today, PF is contributing to the National Prison Radio Sunday Service. The theme is "hope." As Advent begins, let us pray that the radio service will lift spirits, and focus minds on Jesus.</p>
		30	<p>Monday December is the darkest month. Lift up those prisoners, prison staff and prisoner families in darkness so God may shine the light of hope and renewal in their lives.</p>