

St Paul's Church

Boxley Road • Maidstone

Prayer Resource

week beginning Sunday, 21st July 2024

'Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.' (1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18)

This week we give thanks for:

- The summer holidays: for places where we can relax and reflect on the beauty and diversity of God's world, and for those who, for whatever reason, are unable to have time to rest.
- All who risk their lives to save others, especially, at this time of the year, the coastguard and lifeboat crews patrolling our shores.

Please pray for:

- King Charles III and all who took part in the State Opening of Parliament; pray for our Prime Minister, Opposition Leader and other MPs debating the key points put forward in the King's Speech.
- Those in authority around the world, and pray for peace - in the Church, among nations, in our homes and in each of our hearts.
- Protection of all life on earth: help us to prepare for a better future and for the coming of God's Kingdom of justice, peace and love.
- Young people as another school year ends; for God's protection and guidance through the holidays and as they make decisions on their future or tackle new challenges.
- Our Church family: all who are struggling; and for Edith, Pat, Alice, Jill, Trevor, Maureen, Sandra, Brenda, Elizabeth and Georgia; and for Ruth, Meaghan, Linda, Alan, Laura and Dean.
- This week we pray for All Saints Church, Loose: for a Youth Worker and their building project to accommodate the growing youth groups, and for their church plant and outreach.

You may like to use this prayer during the week:

Teach me God, to value your word and read it with joy, to meditate upon it with diligence and share it with others, and to put it into practice in my own life. Amen.