

Benefice Prayer Diary September 2026

Day	Church Life	Our Wider Communities
1 st	For all who contribute to leading, planning and setting up for our services – sacristans, rota planning, supply purchasing, deacons, readers, sidespersons and intercessors.	For communities throughout the world living with the effects of climate change.
2 nd	Those who serve our parishes as PCC treasurers and the finances of all our churches.	The staff and pupils of Highnam School. Also, for the governors and for the whole Primary Quest academy family. For all children returning to school today and especially for those starting at new schools.
3 rd	For our churchyards, those who visit in grief or as places to find quiet reflection. For the efforts of all who work so hard to maintain them. The Churchyard Maintenance Group in Highnam.	All who live at Over and on Horseshoe Drive, Canal Way and Wood Mews.
4 th	Our Deanery Synod Reps.	Good Neighbour Café in Highnam, it's leaders and volunteers and all who enjoy the company and cake.
5 th	For all those who come to our churches seeking baptism or as guests at a service and for our Baptism Buddies who support them.	All who live in Highnam on Pipers Grove, Mary Grove, Limekiln Grove, The Range, Cottage Field, Maidenhall, The Paddocks, Oakridge, Lassington Lane and Lassington Grove
6 th	Our Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs) and their work supporting our commitment to best safeguarding practice in our churches. And for our Safeguarding Trainer leading a session this week.	For all who live in Minsterworth on Lyncroft, Bury Lane, Seven Acres Close, Ellis Bank Lane, and Oakle Street.
7 th	Our churchwardens who do so much behind the scenes.	Highnam Post Office and stores, the staff that work there and wide community that relies on them.

8 th	Rudford Church and all who worship there both on Sundays and for Coffee and Communion mid-week.	For the many local businesses within our communities and the services they offer.
9 th	Members of Tibberton with Rudford PCC.	The staff and pupils of Tibberton School and their governors and especially their new Head.
10 th	Us all as disciples, learning and growing in our faith together. For the opportunities to meet and discuss and pray together. For our upcoming Bible Course.	All who live in Highnam on Wetherleigh Drive, Gordon Close, Clayburn Close, Hillcrest, Peters Field, Stoney Field, Woodleigh Field, Poppy Field, Long Field, West Field, Poole Ground, Micklemead, Pincoate, Blacksmiths Ground, Turnacre and Cams Ground.
11 th	Minsterworth Church and all who worship there regularly and those who visit for the history, when watching the Severn Bore or walking the riverbank.	All who live in Highnam on Mimosa Avenue, Iris Place, Jasmine Close, Cherry Blossom Close, Bluebell Drive, Cornflower Way and Wisteria Grove.
12 th	TLC Bereavement Group and all who are bereaved and come into contact with our churches through our funeral work. Also, for our local funeral directors.	All who live in the Parish of Tibberton with Rudford on the Newent Road, Church Lane, Barbers Bridge, Highleadon Green, Park Road, Leadon View and Upleadon Road.
13 th	Taynton Church, all who worship there in their monthly service and all who visit quietly in between and unseen.	Highnam Court Open Days and all those who visit as well as the stewards at the Court and in Highnam Church.
14 th	For our Benefice Administrator and all who make first contact with our churches through her.	All who live in the Parish of Tibberton with Rudford on Muzzle Patch, Meredith Lane, Bovone Lane, Bramble Close, Buttermilk Lane, and Whitehall Lane.
15 th	Members of Minsterworth PCC.	The staff at Highnam Surgery and the out of hours service. The staff at our local hospitals and our hospital chaplains.

16 th	Our entire Benefice – that our parishes may grow ever closer and work together as we explore our wider identity and share our gifts.	The Methodist Church meeting in Tibberton each month for Tea @3
17 th	Rudford Retreats – for all who come that they may find the peace of God in this place and for the team that leads and prepares the day, the building and the refreshments.	Gloucester City Mission – supported this year by the sale of Preserves in Highnam Church.
18 th	For churches in our Deanery – Severn Vale and our Area Dean, Rev. Susan Cooke.	The Listening Post – Christian Counselling service in Gloucestershire – supported this year through Highnam Open Gardens.
19 th	For all those who have been married or are planning weddings in our churches and all those who will be invited as guests.	The Lord's Larder in Newent and Gloucester Food Bank – supported through our Harvest Festival collections.
20 th	For our first Forest Church and all who join in as we celebrate God's Creation.	For the roadworks at Over – for all who are disrupted by the delays and also for the workers on site.
21 st	All the new Deacons in the diocese on their Induction Day and as they start their new ministries. Rev. David Treharne in charge of curate training.	All who live in Highnam along the Newent Road, Pinetum Drive, Two Mile Lane, Oakridge, Beech Close, Farthing Croft, Turners Close, Park Brake, Williams Orchard, Brimsome Meadow, Popes Meade and Barn Ground.
22 nd	Highnam Church and all who worship there and the many people who come through the doors on open days or tours.	Tibberton Playgroup meeting in Tibberton Church Rooms.
23 rd	Members of Taynton PCC.	Tibberton and Taynton Village Hall and all the groups that meet there.
24 th	For our organists, Howard, David and Liz, for the Highnam singers and for the music group at Minsterworth.	All who live in the Parish of Tibberton with Rudford on Huntley Road, Solomon's Tump Road, Old Court Drive, Orchard Rise, Phelps Way and Lower Orchard.

25 th	Those who provide or serve the refreshments we so enjoy.	Our local parish councils and their many projects and issues from road safety to building plans and everything in between. For those who choose to serve their communities in this way.
26 th	For our clergy team in the Benefice: Heather, Lorna, Geoff and Jan.	All who live in Minsterworth – Hygrove Lane, Pound Lane, Watery Lane, Calcotts Green, Church Lane and Main Road.
27 th	For our Joint Benefice PCC as we meet and plan together.	Rudford and Highleadon Village Hall and all the groups that meet there.
28 th	Members of Highnam PCC.	Highnam Community Centres and all the groups that meet there.
29 th	Bishop Rachel and Bishop Robert and our wider church family of the Diocese of Gloucester – especially the clergy gathering for study today.	Tibberton Brownies and Rainbows and their leaders and Highnam Scout group – Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and their leaders.
30 th	Tibberton Church and all who worship there. Also, for the good progress of the church roof project that we can raise the money to fully repair our building.	The Harvey Centre in Minsterworth, those who run it and all the activities that happen there from the memory café, choirs, education, exercise classes and community building.

Life Events to pray for this Month

Baptisms this month: Douglas, Michaela and Neveah

Weddings: Tom and Christabel

Funerals: Please pray for the families and friends of those we conducted funerals or services for last month: Maxwell Hathaway

If you would like to be added to our prayer diary for any reason please contact Rev. Heather – only your name will be printed.