

Blackburn Prayers January 2020

In 2020 we are continuing to share Bishop Julian's three Bible verses to meditate on and memorise each month as part of his '**Bishop's Bible Challenge**' and to encourage the spiritual discipline of learning Bible verses by heart. There is more information from Bishop Julian about the Bible Challenge on the Diocesan website [here](#).

We are continuing with Vision 2026 prayers that reflect the themes of Making Disciples, Being Witnesses, Growing Leaders and Youth/Children and Schools. For 2020, we have also included prayers for our National Church Funded Projects in Blackburn, Blackburn and Preston.

As always, if you have an event coming up in your parish for which you would particularly value prayer, please let us know by **January 10** for the **February** edition. Any comments, amendments or updates regarding Blackburn Prayers should be directed to karen.ashcroft@blackburn.anglican.org. If you want to find out more about any of the parishes in this month's edition, click on the name of the parish and it will take you to either their own website or to their page on the [A Church Near You](#) site.

Key: cw = churchwarden of vacant parish

Wednesday 1 January Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me".

For **Derek and Nerina Harborne** working with African Inland Mission (AIM) in Mbarara, Uganda. Their sending churches are St Andrew's, Leyland and Buckshaw Village Church

Vision 2026: That many church members will be inspired by Bishop Julian's challenge to try learning Bible verses by heart, and that having God's Word stored in our hearts will equip us in our daily life.

Diocese: [Ellel St John the Evangelist](#) and [Lancaster St Thomas](#), **Rev Craig Abbott**

Braunschweig: The link between Blackburn Diocese and the Braunschweiger Landeskirche

Free State: The Bishop of the Free State, **Bishop Dintoe** and his family

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lagos (Nigeria) **The Rt Rev Humphery Olumakaiye**

Lagos Mainland (Nigeria) **The Rt Rev B C Akinpelu Johnson**
Lagos West (Nigeria) **The Rt Rev James Olusola Odedeji**

Thursday 2 January Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, bishops, teachers of the faith, 379 and 389; Seraphim, monk, spiritual guide, 1833; Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, bishop, evangelist, 1945

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Vision 2026: For Ruth Hassall, our Director of Discipleship, as she continues getting to know the parishes; supporting them in developing confident Christian disciples

Diocese: [Lancaster St Thomas](#), **Rev Jon Scamman, Rev Helen Scamman, Rev Claire Cooke**

Braunschweig: Growth in links between Blackburn Cathedral and the Braunschweiger Dom

Free State: The Cathedral Church of St Michael and St Andrew and its Dean, **the Very Rev Lazarus Mohapi**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lahore (Pakistan) **The Rt Rev Irfan Jamil**
South Western Brazil (Brazil) **The Rt Rev Francisco De Assis Da Silva**
Southeast Florida (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Peter Eaton**

Friday 3 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me".

Vision 2026: For Carolyn Barton, our new Vision Coordinator as she gets to know the parishes and seeks to support them in implementing Vision 2026

Diocese: [Morecambe St Barnabas](#), Rev Michael Childs

Braunschweig: The Local Ecumenical Partnership between Poulton, Carleton and Singleton and Flöthe

Free State: The Bishop's Council

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lainya (South Sudan) Vacant
Southeastern Mexico (Mexico) **The Rt Rev Benito Juarez-Martinez**

Saturday 4 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me".

Vision 2026: For Whalley Abbey as it becomes a Centre for Christian Discipleship, and for God to call into being a small community of prayer, resident and dispersed, praying for the Abbey and the Diocese.

Diocese: [Morecambe St Christopher Bare](#), Rev David Heap

Braunschweig: The link between the Lancaster City Parishes and the Goslar City Parishes

Free State: For greater financial responsibility

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lake Malawi (Central Africa) **The Rt Rev Francis Kaulanda**

Southern Brazil (Brazil) **The Rt Rev Humberto Maiztegue Goncalves**
Gippsland (Australia) **The Rt Rev Dr Richard Treloar**

Sunday 5 January Second Sunday of Christmas Epiphany

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Vision 2026: For a deepening of the prayer life of our churches, and for those planning Pathways to Prayer events around the Diocese this year.

Diocese: [Overton St Helen](#), Rev Lorraine Moffatt

Braunschweig: The link between St Luke, Brierfield and Delligsen.

Free State: For Mosamaria Aids Ministry

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

The Most Rev Philip Richardson - Bishop of Taranaki and Primate

The Most Rev Don Tamihere - Pihopa of Aotearora and Primate

The Most Rev Fereimi Cama - Bishop of Polynesia and Primate

Monday 6 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Vision 2026: For churches using the Generosity, Gift and Grace course, that many will catch a fresh vision of how generous giving to their local church can impact their community for Christ.

Diocese: [Poulton-le-Sands Holy Trinity with Morecambe St Laurence](#),
Rev Chris Krawiec, Rev Anne Cunliffe

Braunschweig: The parish link between St Mary's Clitheroe and Schandelah and Gardessen

Free State: For the link between our two Dioceses

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lake Rukwa (Tanzania) **The Rt Rev Mathayo Kasagara**

Southern Highlands (Tanzania) **The Rt Rev Julius Lugendo**
Gitega (Burundi) **The Rt Rev John Nduwayo**

Tuesday 7 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Blackpool Ministry Experience: Pray for our participants and their supervisors as they spend time at Whalley Abbey on retreat from 20-22 January reflecting on the first half of the BME year and preparing for the final 5 months.

Diocese: [Sandylands St John](#), Rev Canon Linda Macluskie

Braunschweig: The parish link between Euxton and Wolfenbüttel (Church of Reconciliation/St James/Gross Stöckheim)

Free State: For the President of the Republic of South Africa

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lango (Uganda) **The Rt Rev Alfred Olwa**
Southern Malawi (Central Africa) **The Rt Rev Alinafe Kalemba**
Glasgow & Galloway (Scotland) **Vacant**

Wednesday 8 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me".

Vision 2026: For men, women and children across Lancashire to hear the gospel in their own language.

Diocese: [Shireshead St James](#), Rev Canon Peter Ballard

Braunschweig: The Local Ecumenical Partnership between Warton and Timmerlah

Free State: For the urban poor in the townships

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Langtang (Nigeria) **The Rt Rev Stanley Fube**

Southern Nyanza (Kenya) **The Rt Rev James Ochie**

Meeting: Bishop's Leadership Team

Thursday 9 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Vision 2026: For plentiful workers of all backgrounds for the plentiful harvest fields across Lancashire.

Diocese: [Torrisholme The Ascension](#), Rev Damian Porter, Rev Canon Tom Bill, Rev Philip Barber

Braunschweig: For new parish links to be built or old ones renewed

Free State: For Fr Joshua Skee, the Free State Link Officer

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lebombo (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Carlos Simao Matsinhe**

Southern Ohio (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Thomas Breidenthal**

Southern Philippines (Philippines) **The Rt Rev Danilo Labacanacruz Bustamante**

Friday 10 January

William Laud, archbishop, 1645

Bishop's Memory Verse: Making Disciples – Mark 8.34

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Vision 2026: For a visitation of the Holy Spirit on Lancashire to light beacons in every community.

Diocese: [University of Lancaster](#), Rev Kevin Huggett

Braunschweig: Growth in links in the area of Social Responsibility

Free State: For those engaged with the Church Schools in Welkom and Bloemfontein

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Leeds (England) **The Rt Rev Nicholas Baines**

Meeting: Diocesan Advisory Committee

Saturday 11 January

Mary Slessor, missionary, 1915

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

And teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Vision 2026: For it to become normal for every parish to be planting congregations and churches to fulfil the Anglican ambition to be a "Christian presence in every community" across Lancashire.

Diocese: [Leyland Deanery Officers](#), **Rev Marc Wolverson, Rev Dr Duncan Bell, Mr Tim Burridge, Mrs Dorothy Gardner, Mrs Bronwen Bracegirdle**

Braunschweig: The theological discussions between our two Dioceses

Free State: For the Parish Clergy, the Self-Supporting ministers and Lay Ministers

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Leicester (England) **The Rt Rev Martyn James Snow**

Southern Virginia (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Herman Hollerith**

Gloucester (England) **The Rt Rev Rachel Treweek**

Sunday 12 January First Sunday of Epiphany Baptism of Christ

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

And teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Vision 2026: For our church communities to enable people to encounter the love of Jesus in word and in action.

Diocese: [Bamber Bridge St Aidan and Walton-le-Dale St Leonard](#), **Vacant, Rev Nicholas Procter, Mr Ross Kinder (cw), Mrs Heather Thomas (cw), Mr Andrew Ball (cw)**

Braunschweig: All who are involved in the next Kirchentag in Dortmund 2019

Free State: For the work of the Mothers' Union

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia
The Most Rev Philip Leslie Freier - Archbishop of Melbourne and Primate of Australia

Monday 13 January

Hilary, bishop, teacher of the faith, 367;

Kentigern (Mungo), missionary bishop, 603;

George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers), 1691;

Daily Eucharistic Lectionary week 1

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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For **Rev Peter and Hwee Ping Warren** in Cambodia. Their sending church is Christ Church, Blackpool,

Vision 2026: For our baptism and confirmation candidates to be fired up to be beacons of faith in their schools, workplaces and communities.

Diocese: [Bamber Bridge St Saviour](#), **Rev Graham Halsall**

Braunschweig: The work of the Meissen Commission, working for full and visible unity between our two churches

Free State: For the St Agnes Guild

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lesotho (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Adam Mallane Taaso**

Southwark (England) **The Rt Rev Christopher Chessun**

Meeting: Bishop's Appointment Team

Tuesday 14 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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Blackpool Centre of Mission: Pray for the granting of a Visa and the preparation for the new Pioneer Youth Evangelist and for the restarting of all the Hope Community church activities following the Christmas break.

Diocese: [Buckshaw Village Conventional District](#), **Rev James Gwyn-Thomas**

Braunschweig: All involved in the work for the Foundation of Ecumenical Learning, including those serving in Blackpool

Free State: For the Guild of St Bernard Mizeki

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lexington (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Mark van Koevering**

Southwell and Nottingham (England) **The Rt Rev Paul Gavin Williams**

Wednesday 15 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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Vision 2026: Give thanks for all who exercise leadership in our Diocese, for clergy and lay leaders. Pray that they may have the faithfulness, the wisdom and the joy that they will need to lead churches that transform their local communities in the name of Jesus Christ.

Diocese: [Hesketh with Becconsall All Saints](#), **Rev David Dickinson**

Braunschweig: Growth in links between University Chaplaincies in our two Dioceses; Growth in school partnerships between our two Dioceses

Free State: For the judiciary based in Bloemfontein

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Liberia (West Africa) **The Most Rev Jonathan Bau-Bau Bonaparte Hart (Primate)**

Southwest Florida (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Dabney Smith**

Thursday 16 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

And teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Vision 2026: Pray that all might hear God's call in their life and be ready to respond with faithful obedience. Pray that all Christians may feel equipped to live out their faith in the family, the workplace and in their local communities.

Diocese: [Higher Walton All Saints](#) and [Hoghton Holy Trinity](#), **Rev Hannah Boyd**

Braunschweig: Growth in links between youth workers in our two Dioceses

Free State: For the Archbishop of the Province of Southern Africa

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lichfield (England) **The Rt Rev Michael Ipgrave**

Southwestern Virginia (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Mark Allen Boulakas**

Friday 17 January

Antony of Egypt, hermit, abbot, 356;
Charles Gore, bishop, founder of the
Community of the Resurrection, 1932

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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For **Nicola Anderson** working in Thailand with 1Step2Step. Her sending Church is St Thomas, Lancaster.

Vision 2026: Pray for more lay leaders in our congregations.

Diocese: [Hoole St Michael](#), **Rev Ann Templeman**

Braunschweig: All working in church kindergartens

Free State: For Chaplains

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Limerick and Killaloe (Ireland) **The Rt Rev Kenneth Kearon**

Spokane (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Gretchen Rehberg**

Saturday 18 January

Amy Carmichael, founder of the
Dohnavur Fellowship, spiritual writer,
1951

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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Vision 2026: Pray for more vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life, especially for vocations amongst young adults.

Diocese: [Leyland St Ambrose](#), **Rev Duncan Clarke**, **Rev Graham Ashworth**, **Rev Patricia Belshaw**

Braunschweig: All preparing for confirmation in the Braunschweiger Landeskirche

Free State: For all victims of crime

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lincoln (England) **The Rt Rev David Court (Acting Bishop)**

Springfield (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Daniel Martins**

Goma (Congo) **The Rt Rev Kadhor Desire Makaniwa**

Event: Annual Clergy Study Morning: Vocations for All – Whalley Abbey

Sunday 19 January
Second Sunday of Epiphany

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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Vision 2026: Pray for all whose leadership is hidden or unacknowledged and for those who are yet to discover the gifts that the Holy Spirit has given them.

Diocese: [Leyland St Andrew](#) and [Leyland Wellfield Pioneer](#), **Rev Mark Simpson, Rev Peter Harvey**

Braunschweig: All who teach RE in state schools within the Braunschweiger Landeskirche

Free State: For those engaged in youth work across the Free State

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the United Church of Bangladesh

The Most Rev Samuel Sunil Mankhin - Moderator, Church of Bangladesh and Bishop of Kushtia

Monday 20 January

Richard Rolle, spiritual writer, 1349;
Daily Eucharistic Lectionary week 2

Bishop's Memory Verse: Being Witnesses - Matthew 28.20

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Vision 2026: Pray for lay and ordained leaders who are struggling, for those who have lost the joy of ministry or who feel despondent or overwhelmed by the challenges that face them. Pray that they draw strength from a deeper awareness of the power of God in their lives.

Diocese: [Leyland St Andrew](#), **Rev David Whitehouse, Rev Matthew Cook, Rev Dr Duncan Bell**

Braunschweig: For new links between our secondary schools

Free State: For our linked parishes

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Litoral Ecuador (The Episcopal Church)

The Rt Rev Alfredo Morante

St Albans (England) **The Rt Rev Alan Smith**

Gombe (Nigeria) **The Rt Rev Henry Ndukuba**

Tuesday 21 January

Agnes, child martyr, 304

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

M:Power: Pray for the M:Power students as they come back from their Christmas break. This term we are looking at evangelism, mission and outreach and the new tools needed to be effective to reach this generation.

Diocese: [Leyland St James](#), **Rev Marc Wolverson**

Braunschweig: All who work at Braunschweig Theological Centre

Free State: For **Canon John Hall**, Commissary to the Bishop of the Free State

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Liverpool (England) **The Rt Rev Paul Bayes**

St Asaph (Wales) **The Rt Rev Gregory Cameron**

Grafton (Australia) **The Rt Rev Dr Murray Harvey**

Meeting: Diocesan Safeguarding Advisory Panel

Wednesday 22 January

Vincent of Saragossa, deacon,
martyr, 304

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For parents that they have confidence and are equipped to raise children who have a living relationship with God.

Diocese: [Leyland St John](#), **Rev Andy Meeson, Rev Barbara Wilson**

Braunschweig: All training for ministry at Braunschweig Theological Centre

Free State: For the Blackburn Link Committee

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: St Davids (Wales) **The Rt Rev Joanna Penberthy**

Thursday 23 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For children and young people that they are able to identify their gifts and recognise God's calling on their lives, allowing them to passionately serve and lead others.

Diocese: [Longton St Andrew](#), **Rev Andrew Parkinson**

Braunschweig: Chair of the Braunschweig Link Committee in Blackburn Diocese

Free State: For the Cathedral Staff and members of the Diocesan Office

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Llandaff (Wales) **The Rt Rev June Osborne**

St Edmundsbury and Ipswich (England) **The Rt Rev Martin Seeley**
St Helena (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Dale Bowers**

Friday 24 January

Francis de Sales, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1622

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For young people's faith, rooted in Jesus Christ, to be nurtured, disciplined and shared within their communities.

Diocese: [Lostock Hall St James](#) and [Farington Moss St Paul](#), **Rev Matthew McMurray**

Braunschweig: Ralph Ohainski, Chair of the Blackburn Link Committee in Braunschweig

Free State: For the Fellowship of Vocation

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lokoja (Nigeria) **The Most Rev Emmanuel Sokowamju Egbunu**

St Mark the Evangelist (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Martin Breytenbach**

Saturday 25 January

Conversion of Paul

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

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For **Padre Giles Allen** who is serving as an Army Chaplain.

Vision 2026: For the Youth Provision Development Team's engagement with churches across the Diocese to empower, instil confidence and enable growth in leaders and youth ministries.

Diocese: [New Longton All Saints](#), **Vacant, Mr John Balaam (cw), Mrs Yvonne Hazelwood (cw)**

Braunschweig: All who work in the RE-Institute (ARPM) at Wolfenbüttel

Free State: For the Anglican Women's Fellowship

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Lomega (South Sudan) **The Most Rev Paul Benjamin Yugusuk**

Sunyani (West Africa) **The Rt Rev Festus Yeboah-Asuamah**

Grahamstown (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Ebenezer Ntlali**

Event: Retreat – The Xaverian Centre, Fulwood

Sunday 26 January

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Preston Resourcing Parish: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free". We are trialling Freedom in Christ with our staff team starting January. Pray for this course to be a route to freedom for those bound by addictions and relational dysfunction.

Diocese: [Penwortham St Leonard](#), **Rev Nick Mansfield**

Braunschweig: All involved in the Synod of the Braunschweiger Landeskirche

Free State: For all Archdeacons and their respective Archdeaconries

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

The Most Rev Naudal Alves Gomes - Primate of Brazil and Bishop of Curitiba

Monday 27 January

Daily Eucharistic Lectionary week 3

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For all schools and academies to be beacons of faith in their communities.

Diocese: [Penwortham St Mary](#), Rev Chris Nelson

Braunschweig: Bishop Christoph and all who work in the Landeskirchenamt (Diocesan Offices) at Wolfenbüttel

Free State: For all school Chaplains

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: London (England) **The Rt Rev and Rt Hon Sarah Mullally**

Tuesday 28 January

Thomas Aquinas, priest, philosopher, teacher of the faith, 1274

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For all schools and academies to encourage and equip pupils to be courageous advocates for the Gospel, fighting injustice locally and globally.

Diocese: [Rufford with Holmeswood St Mary the Virgin](#) and [Tarleton Holy Trinity](#), Vacant, Mr Roy Caslake (cw), Mrs Pamela Hall (cw), Mr Neil Hodgkins (cw), Mrs Beryl Baldwin (cw)

Braunschweig: Deputy Bishop Thomas Hofer

Free State: For all involved in Ordination training

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Long Island (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Lawrence Provenzano**

Swansea and Brecon (Wales) **The Most Rev John Davies (Primate)**
Guadalcanal (Melanesia) **The Rt Rev Nathan Tome**

Wednesday 29 January

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For the teams giving support to parishes through finance, safeguarding, communications, legal and governance, as they share their knowledge and skills for the benefit of mission.

Diocese: HMP Wymott, Rev Calum Crombie

Braunschweig: All who work in the RE-Institute (ARPM) at Wolfenbüttel

Free State: For Bishop Tom and Bishop Paddy, former Bishops of the Diocese.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Los Angeles (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev John Harvey Taylor**

Swaziland (Southern Africa) **The Rt Rev Ellinah Ntombi Wamukoya**

Meeting: House/College of Bishops

Thursday 30 January

Charles, king and martyr, 1649

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Vision 2026: For the support provided to clergy and their families to have suitable homes from which to be leaders in mission.

Diocese: [Pendle Deanery Officers](#), Rev Guy Jamieson, Mrs Elizabeth Johnston, Mrs Anne Scarborough

Braunschweig: Growth in links between parishes and Dioceses in England and Germany

Free State: For all engaged in national and local politics

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Louisiana (The Episcopal Church) **The Rt Rev Morris Thompson, Jr.**

Sydney (Australia) **The Most Rev Dr Glenn Davies**

Tabora (Tanzania) **The Rt Rev Elias Chakupewa**

Meeting: House/College of Bishops

Event: Annual Clergy Study Morning: Vocations for all – Holiday Inn, Lancaster

Friday 31 January

John Bosco, priest, founder of the
Salesian Teaching Order, 1888

Bishop's Memory Verse: Growing Leaders – Mark 10.45

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Vision 2026: For the whole community in Clayton House who through their varied ministries support the work of all the churches in the Diocese of Blackburn.

Diocese: [Barrowford St Thomas](#) and [Newchurch-in-Pendle St Mary](#),
Rev Julie Smith

Braunschweig: For new parish links to be built or old ones renewed with our two companion Dioceses

Free State: For all at the Diocesan office in Bloemfontein and in the Retreat House at Modderport

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Luapula (Central Africa) **The Rt Rev Robert Mumbi**

Taita-Taveta (Kenya) **The Rt Rev Liverson Mng'onda**