

Prayer Diary: October 2025

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1 Oct: We celebrate the start of Black History Month - and the achievements of all black people

Also: Navratri Day 10, including the Ayudha Puja and Navami Homa

2 Oct: Final day of Navratri. The festival concludes with Vijayadashami (Dussehra), a celebration of good over evil. Also: Jewish: Yom Kippur - The holiest day in Judaism, dedicated to atonement and repentance and GANDHI JAYANTI Hindu

3 Oct: Share love, share friendship, share a smile on World Smile Day

4 Oct: UN World Habitat Day and Child Health Day

5 Oct: Homelessness Sunday - Pray for those that live on the streets to keep them safe and protected.

Also: National Day for Prayer and Support for Workplace Chaplaincy - pray for all chaplains who support employees and employers in every workplace and give thanks for all the work they do

6 Oct: UN World Habitat Day and Child Health Day.

Also: World Hospice and Palliative Care Week

Also: Running until the 10th October is National Work Life Week - an opportunity for both employers and employees to focus on well-being at work. Please share our site: www.workplacewellbeing.org.

7 Oct: Jewish: Sukkot A week-long festival celebrating the fall harvest.

8 Oct: National Emergency Nurses Day - To acknowledge the dedication and expertise of emergency nurses.

Also: PAVARANA DAY Buddhist and World Dyslexia Day

9 Oct: During Breast Cancer awareness month we pray for all those fighting cancer and their loved ones

We also pray for the life of prisoners during Prisoner Week from 9th October.

9- 15 October is the start of Baby Loss Awareness Week. Pray for all those who have lost a child

10 Oct: This date marks World Mental Health Awareness day - Pray for all those experiencing mental health issues as we recognise particularly those in the workplace facing stress

11 Oct: International Day of the Girl Child (United Nations Campaign)

12 Oct: We pray for the life of prisoners during Prisoner Week running until the 18th October 2025

Also: INTER FAITH WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE until the 19th

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Also: SHEMINI ATZERET Jewish

14 Oct: National Hate Crime Awareness Week - we pray as we aim to raise awareness of hate crimes and promote community solidarity.

Also: SIMCHAT TORAH Jewish

15 Oct: Global Wave of Light (light a candle for babies lost too soon)

16 Oct: World Food Day - we pray for good management of our precious resources

17 Oct: International Day for the eradication of poverty

18 Oct: Anti slavery day - pray for those suffering exploitation around the World

19 Oct: Pray for those who govern the country

20 Oct: Hindu: Diwali - The festival of lights, celebrating the victory of light over darkness.

Also: CONFERRING OF GURUSHIP ON THE GURU GRANTH SAHIB Sikh

21 Oct: Pray for all who have been diagnosed with cancer and their families

22 Oct: We pray for the self employed working so hard for their families facing challenging times

23 Oct: Down Syndrome Awareness Month - we pray for the acceptance and inclusion of people with Down Syndrome. 24 Oct: National Breast Cancer Awareness Day

25 Oct: Global Diversity Awareness Month - We pray as we celebrate and increase awareness about the diverse cultures and populations that make up the world.

26 Oct: Pray for those taking rest during the half term break - we pray for leaders, teachers & young people

27 Oct: Pray for those feeling lonely

28 Oct: We pray for those fighting addiction and hope they find strength and support from loved ones and support networks

29 Oct: CHONGYANGJIE / CH'UNG YANG [Double Ninth Festival / Climb a High Mountain / Picnic in a High Place] Chinese festival

30 Oct: We pray for all emergency response workers who look after us all

31 Oct: Pagan and Wiccan: Samhain - Celebrates the end of the harvest and the beginning of winter