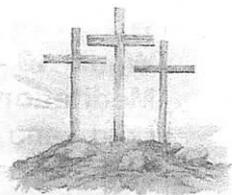


PARISH OF ST PAUL'S, SALE PRAYER DIARY

APRIL 2026



Thank you for using this Prayer Diary. Each week we suggest a prayer of Meditation to focus on as we start our prayers. Please also pray the thanksgiving prayer, for particular events or organisations, for the streets and for the World. On pages 3 and 4 there are some further prayers to use.

Week: 30 March – 5 April

Meditation: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. *John 3.16*

Thanksgiving: For Jesus' death and resurrection

We pray for:

The special services for Holy Week, including Maundy Thursday and Good Friday
Services celebrating Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Day
For teachers and children enjoying a break from school

Streets: Crossway Road, Lisburn Avenue, Symons Road

World: The Christians persecuted for their faith.

Week: 6 – 12 April

Meditation: Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live. *John 11.25b*

Thanksgiving: For the beauty of Spring

We pray for:

Our Ministry Team
Churches Together in Sale
Any considering Lay or Ordained Ministry
The Bible Reading Fellowship

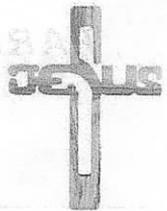


Streets: Dalton Street, Lord Kitchener Court, Tatton Road

World: Those working for a Just Peace in the Middle East.

Week: 13 – 19 April

Meditation: If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. *Romans 10:9*



Thanksgiving: For our families and friends

We pray for:

The National Health Service and its Staff

Those who are ill - at home, in Care Homes or in hospital

The unknown lonely in Sale

The homeless and the 'Big Issue' sellers

Streets: Dane Road, Ludford Grove, Trafalgar Road

World: Ongoing action to deal with pollution in all its forms.

Week: 20 – 26 April

Meditation: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. *1 Peter 4.10*

Thanksgiving: For all those involved in the upkeep and cleaning of St Paul's

We pray for:

Preparations for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

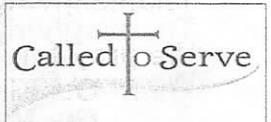
Church members considering standing as Church

Wardens and members of the PCC

All who work in Sale

Streets: Dargle Road, Manley Road, Trevor Avenue

World: Interfaith Relationships.



Week: 27 April – 3 May

Meditation: Jesus said, Blessed are those who haven't seen me and believe anyway. *John 20.29*

Thanksgiving: For our faith and the comfort it brings us

We pray for: Local Councillors
Local Food Banks
Local Care Homes and those who live in them
District nurses and all who care for people in
their own homes

Streets: Darley Street, Manor Road, Urban Road

World: Scientists dealing with the problem of global warming.

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### **Other Prayers for this month**



We are often not the Easter People  
that we should be,  
living in the certain knowledge  
of your great mercy and love.  
Distracted by the world around us  
we fail to hear your voice,  
or hide when faith is challenged  
as we wander off the path.  
Forgive us, we pray;  
restore the love that we first had,  
a faith that can endure.  
We will keep our eyes fixed on you, Lord,  
and with you at our right hand  
we shall not be shaken.

### **An Easter Prayer**

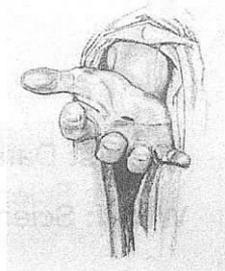
Halleluiah! Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed!  
May this declaration resound not only in these walls  
but touch the lives of all we meet and forever be the truth of  
which we speak.

Your love, once sown within a garden, tended for your own  
people, neglected and rejected, now spreads its  
sweet perfume in this place and wherever it is  
shown.

Halleluiah! Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed!



Easter reminds us  
that each time we deny you, Lord,  
another nail is sharpened;  
and each time we defy you, Lord,  
into your hand it's hammered.  
When faith is weak,  
temptation strong  
and courage fails,  
forgive us, Lord and once again  
become that risen presence  
within our hearts. Amen.



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Thank You for the Miracle of Life

Father, Thank You for the miracle of life—abundant life here,
and eternal life with You in Heaven. Help me celebrate that
life every day as I seek You and follow Your plan for my life.
Today, I say with the Apostle Paul, “Where, O death is your
victory? Where, O death is your sting?” In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Mary Southerland

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### Your Victory Is My Victory

Lord Jesus Christ, I rejoice and rejoice continually in Your  
glorious and triumphant victory over death. For Your victory is  
my victory. Help me to live by it, in it, and for it. I am grateful to  
my depths—grateful forever. Amen.

*Selwyn Hughes*

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The Gate of Everlasting Life



Almighty God, who through your only-
begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame
death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life: Grant that we, who

celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be
raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, 1979 version.