

# *LARBERT WEST PARISH CHURCH*



## *PRAYER FOCUS DECEMBER 2020*

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing (CH4 436)

## November

Mon. 30<sup>th</sup> This is St. Andrew's Day. Andrew an apostle who walked in faith following in Christ's footsteps. Pray that you too may walk in faith.

## December

Tues. 1<sup>st</sup> Pray for all suffering from Covid-19 and that the new vaccines will be effective.

Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Restrictions are difficult for us all. Ask the Lord to grant us patience and forbearance as we cope with them.

Thurs. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ask God to help our governments as they try to cope with all the demands upon them.

Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> Enjoy God's wonderful world. Give thanks for the times we can enjoy the fresh air and His creation.

Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> Give thanks for music that elates, soothes and brings us joy.

**Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Look forward in faith, all times are in God's hands. The Lord gives us hope as He leads us on. His plan is perfect. Pray that we retain that hope. Remember the Larbert churches Joint Prayer Service this evening.**

Mon. 7<sup>th</sup> Hold Julie and all office-bearers in prayer that they will follow with resolution God's plan for His church.

Tues. 8<sup>th</sup> Ask the Lord to be with anyone suffering from illness and disease that can afflict anyone at any time.

Wed. 9<sup>th</sup> Pray for the troubled parts of the world where many suffer deprivation in many ways.

Thurs. 10<sup>th</sup> Give thanks that businesses and staff are being supported financially in these strange times.

Fri. 11<sup>th</sup> Look up at the stars and marvel at creation and its immensity.

Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> Be in awe at the skill and inspiration of the arts. Pray that the Lord will bless them and continue to inspire them.

**Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> On this the third Sunday in Advent we light the candle of love. May it shine in our hearts and light up our lives.**

Mon. 14<sup>th</sup> Think of all your friends, especially those in Larbert West. Pray for their wellbeing. Write to them, e-mail or phone them. Help them to know that they are not forgotten.

Tues. 15<sup>th</sup> Beg the Lord to hold in His arms all those caring for others that they may have the strength to continue in these trying times.

Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> Pray for all those who are angry at the world, especially those with racial or religious hatred, that they may find peace in their hearts.

Thurs. 17<sup>th</sup> Ask the Lord to support council workers as they keep services running.

- Fri. 18<sup>th</sup> Pray for agencies that are hard pressed coping with increased cruelty and abandonment of animals.
- Sat. 19<sup>th</sup> Ask God to help you bring a little pleasure into the life of someone who is lonely or unhappy.
- Sun. 20<sup>th</sup> The fourth Advent candle of joy is lit today. May the Lord help to reflect that joy in our lives despite ongoing difficulties.**
- Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> Pray that we can continue to financially support our church and its associated charities.
- Tues. 22<sup>nd</sup> As the Church of Scotland restructures its parishes ask the Lord to give congregations renewed energy and willingness to move forward with His plan.
- Wed. 23<sup>rd</sup> Pray for those who mourn the loss a loved one.
- Thurs. 24<sup>th</sup> A special day as we prepare to celebrate the birth of God's son. May peace and joy fill your heart.
- Fri. 25<sup>th</sup> Jubilate everybody. Child in the manger, Infant of Mary. Give thanks as we celebrate His birth.
- Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> The shepherds marvelled and the angels sang so rejoice and sing as you continue to celebrate. Pray that we will all rejoice in helping to preserve the Lord's world.
- Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> Give thanks with a grateful heart and celebrate our Lord's birth, life, teaching and resurrection. Praise His Holy name.**
- Mon. 28<sup>th</sup> Join with those around the world giving thanks that God sent His son for our redemption.
- Tues. 29<sup>th</sup> Remember those suffering the after effects of Covid-19 either physically, mentally or emotionally.
- Wed. 30<sup>th</sup> Ask the Lord to be with pupils, students and staff as they cope with the changes in education caused by the virus.
- Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup> At the end of the year reflect on your blessings and give thanks for each one.

## January

- Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> Stepping into a new year is thrilling as well as frightening. Pray for courage to meet all it brings and for strength to cope with whatever meets us.
- Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Feed the birds, God's feathered friends. Fill your soul with devotion and thirst to learn Christ's teaching and try to follow God's plan for His world.
- Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Faith, Hope, Love, Joy, Peace. Think of each one and ask our Lord to fill you with each one.**