

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide.

1-2 Mpumalanga in South Africa; Central Buganda in Uganda; Zonkwa in Nigeria; Bo in Sierra Leone; Newcastle in England and Barrackpore in India

3 – 5 Akot in South Sudan; South West Tanganyika in Tanzania; Aba & Irele-Ese Odo in Nigeria; Coventry in England and Cuttack in India

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7 – 9 Namibia; Mount Kenya South in Kenya; Northern Izon & Ijebu North in Nigeria and Durham in England

10 – 12 Lusaka in Zambia; Shyogwe in Rwanda; Sokoto & Ikka in Nigeria; Ely in England and Karimnagar in India

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14– 16 Fianarantsoa in Madagascar; Central Tanganyika in Tanzania; Calabar & Igbomina in Nigeria; Derry & Raphoe in All Ireland and Banks & Torres in Vanuatu

17 – 19 Lui in South Sudan; Embu in Kenya; Orlu & Awori in Nigeria; The Murray in Australia and Medak in India

20 Mothers' Union worldwide

21 – 23 Archbishops, Bishops and all clergy in the Anglican Communion

24 – 26 Refugees, internally displaced families and those living in a climate of fear

27 Mothers' Union worldwide

28-30 All involved with the responsibility of caring for and supporting family life

31 Mothers' Union worldwide

Final Blessing

**May we be filled with joy
throughout this Advent season
of hope and transformation.**

Amen

Midday Prayers 2022: December Transformation – Now! Season of transformation

Monday: Advent transformation

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*

In this moment of Advent
we turn from the gloom of uncertainty
and look towards the dawning of light.

With this gift of Advent
we receive a way to give our lives
to the Saviour of the world.

Within this longing of Advent
we find peace for our restless hearts
as we travel to worship the new-born King.

Before the door of Advent
we stand assured of acceptance
as we step through to meet our Messiah.

**Through our relationship with Advent
we experience God's everlasting love
as we marvel at the new-born Christ.
Amen**

Tuesday: Darkness to light

The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness
a light has dawned. *Isaiah 9:2*

**Gracious God, we joyfully await
the dawning of your Light,
Jesus Christ.**

May the radiance of his glory
illumine the lives of those in darkness.
May the flame of his holiness
reveal the deeds of ignorance and evil.
May the light of his word
chase the shadows of guilt and despair.
May the warmth of his love
melt the winter of selfishness.

Come to our world, Lord,
and heal its wounds,
shining in the darkness
and restoring joy, faith, hope and love.

**Transform us into a people of his light,
that we may reflect your wondrous grace
to our waiting world. Amen**

Wednesday: Despair to hope

I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope. *Psalm 130:5*

This Advent, as we wait for
the Hope of the World
we pray for God's hope to transform
the despair of loss and loneliness.
**God of sure and certain hope,
hear our prayer.**

This Advent, as we wait for
the Hope of the World
we pray for God's love to bring hope
in the lives of our family and friends.
**God of sure and certain hope,
hear our prayer.**

This Advent, as we wait for
the Hope of the World
we pray for God's hope to transform
our doubts and fears into faith.
**God of sure and certain hope,
hear our prayer. Amen**

Thursday: Lamenting to rejoicing

Surely this is our God;
we trusted in him, and he saved us.
This is the Lord, we trusted in him;
let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.
Isaiah 25:9

Loving God,
we rejoice in this season
of good news and good will,
we celebrate once more the birth of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
**Prince of Peace
Lord of lords,
we praise you!**

For the wonder of this season,
for its message of love and forgiveness,
its promise of peace and justice,
and the gift of life everlasting,
Loving God, we praise you!

We look forward to the day
when the Jesus of Bethlehem
will return as Lord of all.
**King of kings,
Lord of lords,
with all creation,
we will praise you! Amen**

From Nick Fawcett

Friday: Injustice to righteousness

He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and for ever. *Isaiah 9:7*

**Lord Jesus,
send your Holy Spirit upon our
Christmas preparations.**

We who are anxious over many things –
look forward to your coming among us;
we who are blessed in so many ways –
long for the complete joy of your kingdom;
we whose hearts are heavy –
seek the joy of your presence.

Give us courage to be your people,
to show your justice, grace, mercy, peace and love,
and to be a part of your transformation of our
world until the day when the baby whose birth we
celebrate comes again in peace and we sing your
praise and glory forever.

Amen

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Saturday: Advent transformation

The Word became flesh
and made his dwelling among us.
We have seen his glory,
the glory of the One and Only,
who came from the Father,
full of grace and truth. *John 1:14*

**Your Word, O God, has given us life;
your Word incarnate gives us new life
in the Easter promise.**

May your Word transform this Advent season,
dispelling the darkness of fear and mistrust;
may your Word dwell among us always,
awakening our hearts to your enduring
love, justice and peace.

**Jesus, Lord and Saviour
we thank you for this season of
celebration;
the renewal of your love for us
that never fails.**

We pray for all your people
that today even in the darkest corners
your lamp may be lit
and your light may shine
giving joy and peace.

Amen

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