

**INTERCESSIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING**  
**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2017**  
**BIBLE SUNDAY**  
**PROPER 25**

On this Bible Sunday pray for the work of the Bible Society as it continues to make the bible available throughout the world.

Pray for all seeking to deepen their faith in the study of scripture in bible study groups and through the various diocesan courses.

Pray for the leadership for the Anglican Communion, for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury and for the Church in Thoothukudi Nazareth (S India): Samuel Devasahayam Ebenezer Clement; Tirunelveli (S India): Jayaraj Christossea his priests and people.

In our own Diocese pray for Alan, Bishop of St Albans and for his Suffragan Bishops Michael and Richard and for the parish of St Mark, Colney Heath, (St Albans) and the community they serve. Pray for St Albans Cursillo as it continues to encourage and enliven people in their Christian life.

Pray for the congregations of St Peter's, St Stephen's, St Mark's and St John the Baptist churches and for Fr Tristan, Fr Eugene and Rev Nick Wheeler and all lay people leading worship in the team churches. Pray for Fr Chris, Hannah, Samuel and Sophie.

Pray for the team at Hope Corner and for the work being done there to bring Christ's light to the community.

Remember all victims of violence and terrorism, and also those who suffer persecution on account of their Christian witness.

Pray for those who walk in the darkness of war, oppression and strife remembering the thousands of refugees and displaced persons give thanks for all the organisations which bring aid to these people and all who work tirelessly for peace.

Pray for all people who are suffering the effects of natural disasters in recent months.

Pray for Barnet, for all who live or work in our community.

As the shorter and darker days of winter approach, let us all be prepared to offer help those who will find the coming months more difficult – our elderly or housebound neighbours and those on our streets.

Pray that all in our community who are suffering in mind, body or spirit, at this time, will know the healing power of our Lord. Prayers are asked for – Alan Moorhouse, Denise Barr, Claire O'Brennan, Maureen Daly, Trevor and Megan Bainbridge.

Pray for all in our community who care for the sick and the elderly in their homes, in hospital, hospice or in the many care and residential homes.

In the sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, commend to God's merciful compassion all who have recently died. Pray for all families bereaved at this time; all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.