

St Laurence Prayer Calendar 2021

Psalm 127.1

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.

Lord, we thank you for past generations who have built and preserved St Laurence Church.

Grant us unity in your vision of how it should be renewed to continue to witness to your saving love.

Grant us, too, the patient courage to take forward your vision; we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

Psalm 90.17

May the gracious favour of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper our handiwork; O prosper the work of our hands.

Day of the month	Topics
	a) Church related b) Pastoral Centre and local c) People who surround us
1st	a) Churchwardens b) Community Payback teams c) Travel by air – air crew, maintenance, luggage handlers, airport staff
2nd	a) PCC b) Eco Centre and Community Gardens: Masefield, Allan's Cross etc c) Food production and processors – agriculture, horticulture, stock raising, cleaning, wrapping, cooking, freezing, packaging
3rd	a) Holy Dusters and Caretaker b) Global Express (Logistics Company with offices in PC) c) Charity organisations and museum and art gallery – volunteers, paid staff
4th	a) Keble College, Oxford (our Patron) b) Railway Club c) Home-makers – parents, child minders, carers, cleaners, DIY

5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Safeguarding team b) Northfield Community Partnership c) Hospitals and GP's – doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, dentists, receptionists, administration, cleaners
6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Choir and Organists b) CASBA (Advocacy charity for adults with learning difficulties) c) Print Media – Newspapers, magazines, books – writers, printers, editors
7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Intercessors, Sunday and Wednesday Readers b) St Laurence Infant & Junior School, pupils, staff and governors c) Manufacturers – Owners, managers, operatives, craft workers
8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Social and Fund-raising committee members b) KUMON Maths, St Laurence Safe Spaces & after school clubs c) Travel by sea – container ships, fishing fleet, cargo ships, cruise liners, port authority, coast guard
9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Parish Administrator & Treasurer b) Northfield Revealed Church – Community Project c) Local authority workers and staff – rubbish collection, road cleaning, park maintenance, council tax, children and old people social workers
10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Liturgical Colour changers and Linen washers b) St Laurence Scout Group and other local Guides & Scouts c) Schools, play groups and nurseries, universities and colleges – teachers, technicians, administrators, cleaners, staff, assistant staff, organisers, governors
11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Grave-diggers and Churchyard gardeners b) Northfield Library and Institute of Adult Education c) Young people – Babies, children, youths, teenagers, those with learning difficulties.
12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Servers & those who administer Holy Communion b) Churches belonging to the Kings Norton Sub-Deanery c) Small service businesses - builders, plumbers and electricians, gardeners and window cleaners
13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Sunday & Tuesday coffee teams & Grid Iron b) Allotments – Tinkers Farm and Wychall Lane c) Carers and care home staff – cooks, carers, volunteers, cleaners, maintenance, management.

14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Saturday Church Open & Places of Welcome b) Foster Carers Group c) Travel by land – truck, car and van drivers, bus & train drivers, road and rail maintenance, station & service-station staff,
15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Health and safety team and Maintenance team b) Schools – The Edge, Belfield (Infants and Juniors), Victoria, Longwill, James Brindley c) Prison system – prison officers, probation officers, prisoners, police officers.
16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Our clergy and vocations to ordained ministry b) Victoria Common staff & friends, Sons of Rest, Rea Valley and Merritts Brook parks c) Scientific research – biology and genetics, chemistry and pharmaceuticals, physics and astronomy
17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Sunday School leaders & Rise and Shine b) Churches belonging to CTiN c) Judicial system – judges, lawyers, clerks, court officials, victim support, magistrates
18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Archbishops, bishops and Archdeacons b) Stay & Play Group, Baby Group and Local pre-school Nurseries c) Computers and electronics – help desks, software developers, systems designers
19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Gift Aid representative and Collection counters b) Masefield Community Hub (Overbury Estate) c) Workers in dangerous places - Miners and underground workers – Roofers and telephone engineers
20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Flower Guild b) Army cadets (Overbury Estate) c) Those with employment difficulties – retired, job-seekers, those disadvantaged in the job market and refugees
21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Mothers Union b) YMCA and Norwood House (run by Mind) c) Armed services – army, navy, air force, marines, submariners, commandos
22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Fabric committee & all working on the maintenance and improvement of the church and pastoral centre (Paid & voluntary) b) Keep fit clubs, Sliming clubs, healthy living groups and the swimming pool, leisure centre and gym c) Politicians and civil servants - national and international

23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bible Study and Fellowship Discussion Groups b) Job Centre, Talent match & others helping those looking for employment c) Financial system – banks, building societies, insurance, money lenders 	
24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Church publicity team b) Local Councillors and MP – Councillor Oliver Armstrong and Gary Sambrook MP c) Funeral Directors – embalmers, grave diggers, pall bearers, office staff, management 	
25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Spots b) Residential and Nursing Homes c) Animal carers – vets, farriers, horse and dog racing personnel, animal charities 	
26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Tower-bell ringers & Handbells b) ‘Sugarbabes’ (Cake decorating) and all engaged in creative activities c) Emergency services – ambulance, fire, police, lifeboats, mountain rescue, air ambulance 	
27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Sides-people and welcomers b) Local hotels and guest houses c) Theatre, TV, Films, Orchestras, Opera, Ballet and Groups – actors, wardrobe, scenery, writers, singers, musicians, technical staff 	
28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Look-out Group Leaders & their groups b) Royal Orthopaedic Hospital (Woodlands) c) Leisure industry - pubs and restaurants, clubs and associations – owners, managers, staff, cooks, cleaners 	
29th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Worship committee members b) School Kit Parenting Course (church-school initiative) c) Shops, stores, stalls and supermarkets – owners, managers, serving staff, cleaners, stock staff 	
30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Lay Reader and vocations to this ministry b) South Birmingham Young Homeless Project: The Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c) Professional Sports – football, cricket, rugby, athletics, gymnastics, cycling, swimming etc.
31st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Lay members of the congregation b) The church building and the sacraments c) Planners, architects and builders 	