Dates for the Diary: December 2024



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| **Sunday 1st Dec** | **Morning worship** | **10.30am** |
| **CHURCH MEETING** | **12 noon** |
| **Wed 4th Dec** | **Open Door Café and Bible Study** | **From 10.30am** |
| **Saturday 7th Dec** | **First Saturday Prayer gathering** | **9.30am** |
| **Sunday 8th Dec** | **Morning worship** | **10.30am** |
| **Sunday 15th Dec** | **Morning worship, with Nativity** | **10.30am** |
| **Monday 16th Dec** | **Children’s Christmas Event** | **5 pm – 7 pm** |
| **Weds 18th Dec** | **Open Door Café and Bible Study** | **From 10.30am** |
| **Saturday 21st Dec** | **Community Carol Singing Huddersfield Bus Station** | **2 pm (meet at nnr)** |
| **Coffee and Carols event at NNR** | **3 pm – 5 pm** |
| **Sunday 22nd Dec** | **Morning Worship including Nativity** | **10:30 am** |
| **Candlelight Service** | **6:30 pm** |
| **Monday 25th Dec** | **Christmas Day service** | **10.30am** |
| **Sunday 29th Dec** | **Morning worship** | **10.30am** |

Please give all prayer requests and suggestions for the January prayer diary to **Sandra Coulthard** by Sunday 15th December



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Christmas is the gentlest, loveliest festival of the year – and yet for all that, when it speaks its voice has strong authority.   
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**ABOVE ALL AND EVERY DAY: PRAY FOR PEACE WITH AN END TO ALL WARS**

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| 1st | Sun | **P**ray for all in our Church celebrating a Birthday this month.  Pray for the election of deacons giving thanks for those standing. |
| 2nd | Mon | **R**emember Baptist Home Mission in your prayers, as they provide support for Baptist churches who are new or struggling. |
| 3rd | Tues | **A**sk God to stay close to Katherine and Ralph Leach, Richard, Greg and Ryan and all their family and friends as they mourn the loss of David - Dad, Granddad, Great Grandad and friend to so many at NNR who will be much missed. |
| 4th | Wed | **Y**ou may know someone is unwell, pray for God’s healing and for our church friends who are struggling with ill health. |
| 5th | Thur | **F**or the healing of the nations, we pray we with one accord. |
| 6th | Fri | **O**ften, we present to God a list of our “wants” - pray we learn to ask God for what He wants of us. |
| 7th | Sat | **R**emember the First Saturday Prayer meeting takes place today and we pray for all those leading and attending, giving thanks for this opportunity to embrace the power of prayer. |
| 8th | Sun | **P**ray you keep Christ in your Christmas, the true reason for the season |
| 9th | Mon | **E**xcess is the theme for many at Christmas; as the shops fill with those seeking to buy a perfect Christmas pray they can recognise that we already have our perfect present in our Lord, Jesus Christ. |
| 10th | Tues | **A**s we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, many parts of our world are at war. God sent His only son Jesus, to save us all, pray that this Christmas, His gift brings peace and joy to our world. |
| 11th | Wed | **C**arols play such a large part of our festivities, when you next sing a carol really listen to the words you sing, the praise they are bringing and bring them to your prayers. |
| 12th | Thur | **E**ach give time you receive a Christmas card or message give thanks for the sender and include them in your prayers. |
| 13th | Fri | **W**hilst many make plans for Christmas activities and meeting with friends pray for those who are lonely, estranged from family or a long way from where they call home |
| 14th | Sat | **I**nclude your neighbours in your prayers and ask that they know God. |
| 15th | Sun | **T**hink of those who have been bereaved this year facing their first Christmas without their loved one. Pray they have God’s comfort |
| 16th | Mon | **H**old our families attending the children’s Christmas event close and pray for a fun evening of fellowship, giving thanks to Mark and all who have made this evening possible. |
| 17th | Tues | **A**s Christmas parties are in full flow pray for a safe time for all. |
| 18th | Wed | **N**ow, more than ever pray for peace in our troubled world. |
| 19th | Thur | **E**ach year pray we remember that Christmas begins with Christ |
| 20th | Fri | **N**ow is the time to give prayers of praise as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ. |
| 21st | Sat | **D**uring today there are many opportunities to celebrate the coming of Christ – carol singing at the bus station and our annual “coffee and carols” celebration. We give thanks for all those sharing their talents both at the bus station and at NNR. |
| 22nd | Sun | **T**oday is a busy day at NNR and we pray for all taking part as we rejoice in our celebrations of the birth of Jesus, King of Peace. |
| 23rd | Mon | **O**h, holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray. |
| 24th | Tues | **A**s busy as you maybe find an opportunity to speak with God, thanking him with all your heart for his great gift of his son, Jesus. |
| 25th | Wed | **Joy to the World – Christ is Born!**  **Joie au monde**  **شادی به جهان - مسیح متولد شده است**  **Freude an die Welt** |
| 26th | Thur | **L**et uspray for all our ministers and clergy and their families and ask that they can enjoy a rest after a busy time. |
| 27th | Fri | **L**et us give thanks to all who have contributed to Christmas at NNR – the decorations, refreshments, music, and special events. |
| 28th | Sat | **W**hen there are times where we feel overwhelmed – by the news, busy times, financial or family worries – pray that we can be kind to one another as we do not know what sort of day someone is having, and a smile or kind word can make all the difference. |
| 29th | Sun | **A**s we prepare to greet the new year pray that the stars that shine at Christmas shine on throughout the coming year. |
| 30th | Mon | **R**eview your year and include in your prayers all who have made a difference to your life this year, whether in a big or small way |
| 31st | Tues | **S**o prepare to welcome the new year with heartfelt prayers for lasting peace and hope for all across the world. |