

MOTHERS' UNION

MIDDAY PRAYERS FOR

JUNE 2026

Theme - 'Join in and Celebrate!'

Reflection for the Join in and celebrate theme (from the Prayer Diary 2026)

In June we have the climax of our 150th year. At the heart of our celebration is the opportunity to give our joyful thanks and praise to God for His love – especially for giving us His only Son, for faithfulness, guidance and provision for all past and present members. We will be worshipping together at our service in St Paul's Cathedral and Annual Gathering in the Emmanuel Centre. We thank God too during June for all church-based toddler groups, for their leaders, helpers and all those who attend, for parents, the courage of refugees, Petertide Ordinations and commitment to awareness raising for ending plastic pollution. 'Come on and celebrate, celebrate and sing to our King!'

Monday - Come On and Celebrate!

Ephesians 6: 1-4

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honour your father and mother" which is the first commandment with a promise, "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Thank you for our families and for the gift of children. Help all parents to care diligently for their children putting their interests before their own and trusting You to meet their needs and keep them safe. We thank you too for all church-based toddler groups during this national month of prayer for toddler groups. We celebrate the many MU members who provide help and support in these groups, sharing their faith in action. Amen

Tuesday - Celebrate!

Psalms 150

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty firmament

²*Praise him for his mighty deeds;*

praise him according to his surpassing greatness!...

Praise him with trumpet sound;

praise him with lute and harp!

⁴*Praise him with tambourine and dance;*

praise him with strings and pipe!

⁵*Praise him with clanging cymbals;*

praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

⁶*Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!*

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord! Thank you that everything that has breath can praise You, Lord! Thank you that we can come before You in awe and wonder and praise You our Creator and Saviour. Amen

Wednesday - Celebrate and Sing to the King!

1 Chronicles 16: 8-36

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

⁹*Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works....*

³⁴*O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever...*

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise! The Lord reigns! Thank you that we can come and give thanks to Your Holy name and may glory You in praise! Amen

Thursday - The Son of God Who Loved Us and Gave Us Life!

1 Corinthians 10: 16

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ?

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Lord Jesus, we thank You for your sacrifice that You died for everyone. Bless us when we gather in Your name to celebrate Your death and resurrection until You return.
Amen

Friday - We Will Give to You, Our Offering!

Genesis 1: 31

God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Lord, thank You for Your amazing Creation and that You saw all that You had made, and it was very good. Help us to be good stewards of Your world and its resources. Amen

Saturday: Celebrate His Gift of Love!

Matthew 2: 13-15

An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

Lord thank you that You love everyone. Help us to share Your love with those who are foreigners far from home. Help us to understand their suffering, befriend them and provide for them in their time of need.
Amen

Final Blessing (monthly prayer from the Prayer Diary 2026)

Father God, we join in and celebrate your love to us through Mothers' Union. We praise you for the past 150 years, for the vision of Mary Sumner and for all who have followed her, praying and serving in Your name. We delight in all Your gifts to us, the joy of family, the wonders of Your creation, the fellowship of our fellow members, and, most of all, Your love to us through the gift of Your son, Jesus Christ. May we always walk in Your footsteps. Give us the strength to be different, to stand up for justice and peace, and be a sign of Your reconciling love for all. We ask this in your name. Amen.

Wave of Prayer

1-3 June: Johannesburg in South Africa; Kumi in Uganda; Nsukka & Idoani in Nigeria; Derby in England and Madhya Kerala in India

4-6 June: Ibba in South Sudan; Maseno North in Kenya; Isiala-Ngwa & Ondo in Nigeria; Fredericton in Canada and Amritsar in India.

8-10 June: Yambio in South Sudan; Garissa in Kenya; Mbamili in Nigeria; Hereford in England; Willochra in Australia; and Thailand.

11-13 June: Mahajanga in Madagascar; Mara in Tanzania; West Buganda in Uganda; Kwoi in Nigeria; Newcastle in Australia and East Kerala in India.

15-17 June: Bukavu in DR Congo; Nyahururu in Kenya; Gboko in Nigeria; Portsmouth in England; and New Guinea Islands in Papua New Guinea.

18-20 June: Rejaf in South Sudan; Military Episcopate in Kenya; Doko & Owo in Nigeria; Chelmsford in England and Jamaica & Cayman Islands.

22-24 June: Rumonge in Burundi; Tabora in Tanzania; Kabba & Bukuru in Nigeria; St Albans in England and Nagpur in India.

25-27 June: Table Bay in South Africa; Rift Valley in Tanzania; Evo & Ijebu in Nigeria; Adelaide in Australia and Taejon in South Korea.

29-30 June: Eastern Zambia in Zambia; Mombasa in Kenya; Gwagwalada & Ekiti-West in Nigeria; Leicester in England and Temotu in Solomon Islands.