

We pray for the church around the world: Especially those who are persecuted for their faith. We pray for compassion and kindness, inclusion and love for all. We pray for all who have not yet let Jesus into their lives.

We pray for our world: All the casualties of war and conflict; victims of natural or manmade disasters; those who are living in poverty or under oppressive regimes; for all who have no safe place to live in. For the earth and all the damage done to it by humankind. For more empathy and compassion.

We pray for our local community[5: Luker Rd, High St] [6: Queen's Rd, London Rd] [7: College Way, Park St] [8: Park Rd, Avenue Rd] [9: Park Lane, Parkgate][10: South Essex College, Uni of Essex] [11: Aranadale Lodge]

We pray For those who are sick or in need Margaret Jones, Terry, Maff, Ken, Valerie, Brogan, Tony, Kat, Violette, Judith, Mark, Diana, Audrey, Chris Binks, Louis, Natasha & family, Rosetta, Doreen, Janet, Nick, Jean Wren

And all on our long term list. Prayers for all sick in hospitals, hospices, care homes and at home. For those who are caring for them.

Recently departed

All who have died with no-one to pray for them.

Anniversaries of Death: January

Graham Rogers 3/1; Joel Kirk 5/1, Betty Crabtree 7/1, Pat Boosey 10/1, Mike Tunkey 11/1, Andrew Chapman 19/1, Elsa Cook 22/1, Michael Evans 25/1, Gill Hinton 27/1, Alastair Ross Ker 29/1

NOTE: Words for final prayer for the departed and for Hail Mary is in Mass Book

Parish of St Alban. Westcliff &
ST MARK, SOUTHEND

5 January 2025

Epiphany



Unknown artist, **The Adoration of the Magi** [1869] Magdalen College

This beautiful 19th century painting is one part of an altarpiece in a chapel in Northamptonshire. Painted in muted shades of blues and browns with the haloes and crowns in burnished gold. Somehow this helps to convey something of the Kingship of the child at the centre. This is no accident, The meaning of the word, 'epiphany' is manifestation – this was the moment that God's plan for salvation was made manifest that it included Gentiles as well as Israelites. [Blessings and May Your New Year be healthy and peaceful.](#) Mother Cherry

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