



*From a Church in PortoFino, Italy*

*"All creation blesses you, O Lord. Exiles offer you worship.  
Pilgrims hallow your name. Saints adore you.  
Humanity offers its praise. And we your servants  
lift our hearts and voices in joy and thanksgiving.  
Amen                      Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)*

***The Positive Priory Prayer:***

*Living God, guide us as we share Your work  
Stir us through inspiring worship  
Help us in building the community  
Lead us in sharing Faith  
Committed to you, each other & Your world  
Strengthened by Your Holy Spirit  
& in the name of Jesus, Amen*

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# *Priory Prayer Diary*

## *October 2017*



*'Home is where the Heart is.'*

*It is the month when many young people  
leave home for the first time, venture out into  
the wild world of full adult life - and we need to be  
mindful of how strong home ties may be and prayerful  
for those who are not best able to withstand the  
temptations and rigours away from home.*

### ***SUNDAYS:***

Today we remember to say our 'thank you's' as we appreciate all that we have around us in our own homes. Recall those many homes that have been destroyed by fire or flood, those - and maybe in poor health - who now have precious little food or clothing and barely a flimsy roof.

*MONDAYS: Women's World Day of Prayer  
Conference at Priory, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.*

Pray for peoples of the World. For those who work for the Zimbabwe victims & that there will be a sign of hope to the faithful, to strengthen their resolve to resist the prevailing culture of greed, corruption & violence, and to find a new unity in the presence of Christ within the nation.

*TUESDAYS: RNLI Fish & Chip Supper  
7<sup>th</sup> October*

There's a lot of able and willing people out there who are committed to the volunteer effort needed to rescue lives in risk from the perils of the sea and the dangers along our coasts. Let us pray for the many Charities we support, that their work may be fulfilling and successful. "Do unto others as you would be done by"; follow the example of Christ.

*WEDNESDAYS: Lots going on ....*

Our work here at Priory goes on: Remember in your prayers The Church Council on the 10<sup>th</sup>, Torch's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 'Open the Book' at John Rigby School on the 18<sup>th</sup> and The Lunch Club on the 24<sup>th</sup>. We pray for the encouragement of all to become part of our community. Recall, too, those who are unable to worship with us, those who are unwell, and strengthen our pastoral care for all.

*THURSDAYS: What about us?*

A prayer for ourselves! - - - that we may forgive others for misdemeanours; find forgiveness for our own faults. Pray we have patience and understanding in our relationships. Pray we have courage & strength to promote your Name in all things, that we are positive and understanding in all our actions.

*FRIDAYS: the Church in this country*

Pray for the work of the Methodist Church in this country as we embrace change, accepting that 'church' is not merely worship on a Sunday but "church" in the community. Offer especial prayers for the Churches in Kensington & Notting Hill as they continue to help the former residents of the Grenfell Tower who lost so much.

*SATURDAYS: Weekenders ...*

Think about those who have to work at week ends when so many others have 'time off'. Think about those 'on shift', those who work long hours - and those who, through no fault of their own, do not receive a proper wage or the opportunity to receive proper holidays. Remember too, those who are unable to receive a proper reward for food they grow for others, and those whose employers do not accord them the respect they deserve.

