

## **‘THY KINGDOM COME’**

All Anglican Churches have received a letter from the  
ARCHBISHOPS OF CANTERBURY AND YORK  
calling us to a

**WEEK OF PRAYER  
for the  
EVANGELISATION OF OUR NATION**



**8 to 15 MAY 2016**

They write:

“in the week leading up to Pentecost we long to see a great wave of  
prayer across our land”

Let us ensure that all of us at St. Matthias’  
are fully committed to this Call.

## **SUNDAY, 8 MAY 2016**

Our regular monthly Sunday afternoon Prayer Meeting  
will be devoted to  
“Prayer for the evangelisation of TORQUAY”  
and of our Parish in particular.

<b>Cup of tea</b>	<b>5pm</b>
<b>Prayer</b>	<b>5.15 - 6.30pm</b>

**We need your support and presence even if you do not normally attend the monthly meetings. As the Archbishops write:**

**“Ministry is empty and barren without prayer. At the heart of our prayers will be the words that Jesus Christ himself taught us:**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done”**

### **COLLECT**

Almighty God, who called your church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ  
reconciling the world to yourself,  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you  
through him who was lifted up on the cross  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God now and for ever.

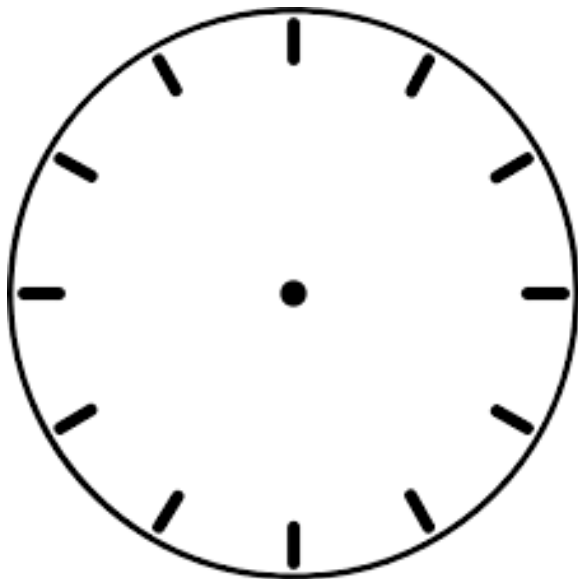
## PRAYER VIGIL

7am – 7pm

### ST. MATTHIAS' DAY – Saturday 14 May

As part of this Week of Prayer and on Saturday 14 May which is our own Patron Saint's Day, we shall have a special Holy Communion Service at 8am and a continuous cycle of prayer throughout this day.

### PRAYER CLOCK



You are invited to be part of this cycle of prayer by writing your name in one of the hourly sections of the chart at the back of the church, so indicating you will pray for that hour of this special day. There can be several people in the same hour so long as all the hours are covered.

If possible please sign up in advance.

## SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

<b>Sunday 8 May</b>	For ourselves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• our spiritual concern for the moral state of our nation and town</li> <li>• courage to speak out and share our faith individually to all around</li> <li>• corporately as a church to be a light to <u>all</u> our Parish</li> </ul>
<b>Monday to Wednesday 9 – 11 May</b>	For our nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• our Queen and her example</li> <li>• our political leaders. May their decisions be God-directed nationally and internationally.</li> <li>• our media, that it may be fair and honest in all it reports and in the opinions it gives</li> <li>• our church leaders of all denominations. May they listen to what God has to say and faithfully seek to lead us accordingly.</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday and Friday 12 – 13 May</b>	For our town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for our Mayor, Councillors and all who govern us</li> <li>• for our police and emergency services who protect us</li> <li>• for doctors, nurses, hospital and hospice who look after us</li> <li>• for Street Pastors, School Pastors, Linx, Leonard Stocks, Anode and all Christians working to help the local Community</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday and Sunday 14 – 15 May</b>	For St Matthias	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for John (our Rector) and all the ministry team</li> <li>• for our new P.C.C. and office bearers</li> <li>• for our future plans and direction</li> <li>• for all our organisations and ministry</li> <li>• for all in need, especially the housebound</li> <li>• for those we support abroad</li> </ul>