

Please pray for Iran and the wider region as the impact of war intensifies



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The fear and hope currently felt in Iran reach far beyond its borders. Many Iranians living abroad—especially Christians who had to leave because of their faith—are deeply worried for their families back home.

Mary's Story

Mary* is a Christian refugee who is safe, but her brother is a sailor in the Iranian navy. He became a Christian while living with Mary, but now he is on the front lines of the conflict. Because he is in the military, he must keep his faith a secret. Mary asks us to "Please pray for his wisdom, protection and safety during this time."

Arina's Story

Arina* recently fled Iran with her family. Even though she is now safe, her heart is still with her people. "It was very difficult for me to leave home," she says. "'As soon as we heard about the protests, I yearned to be with my people. I hope we can one day return, and I hope it is soon."

These stories remind us that while war separates families, we are all connected through prayer. We trust that God is in control, even in the hardest times.

How You Can Pray:

- **For Peace:** Pray for wisdom and safety for everyone in the region.
- **For Comfort:** Pray for families who have lost loved ones, and for lives of everyone to be protected.
- **For Provision:** Pray that God provides food and needs for those struggling.
- **For Children:** Pray for children who feel scared or confused, that God would give them peace.

**Name changed for security reasons.*

For more information go to <https://www.opendoorsuk.org/news/latest-news/iran-urgent-prayer>

Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet 15 March Mothering Sunday Lent



*We welcome Revd Sylvia Rice-Oxley and Revd Peter Lister
and thank them for leading our services today*

Psalm 34.11-20: Praise for Deliverance from Trouble

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?

Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

**The face of the Lord is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.**

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears,
and rescues them from all their troubles.

The Lord is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.

He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the
beginning, is now and for evermore, Amen**

The Collect for this Sunday

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Prayer after Communion

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Please pray for...

Clifford Hitchens, Jane Nichols, Jonathan Newell, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Marie Rose Cubacub, Christine Evans, Sue Grainge, Annie Hall, Clive Hall, Robert Hitchens, Jane Knight, Imogen Matthews, Pat Reid, John Rowntree, Maggie Sharman, Amanda Thomson, Clive Walker, Judy Watson, Kevin Whitfield, King Charles III, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We remember Eben Atkinson, and the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we pray for those who mourn their

Anniversaries...

Baptism Anniversaries: Charlie Hopkinson (1 year)

Funeral anniversaries: David Scotney, Norma Worth, Beryl Grange (1 year); Margaret Winter, Audrey Gray, Sophie Sandford (2 years); Arthur Jeffrys (3 years)



Readings for this Sunday
Exodus 2.1-10; Colossians 3.12-17
Luke 2.33-35 or John 19.25-27



Did you know?.....

If you find it difficult (or forget) to bring things to leave in our drop off bin at the back of the church, you can go to the Foodbank website, and purchase items which will then be available in the foodbank. **Go to <https://bournefoodbank.org.uk/how-to-help>**

These are a few of the things that are running low. Can you help?

Shampoo	Deodorant (M)	Pasta Sauce
Tinned Meat	UHT Milk	Washing Powder

Safeguarding & Contact Information

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Sunday and regular weekday Services in the Ringstone and Corby Glen combined Groups

Sunday 15 March	9.00am	Holy Communion	Bassingthorpe
	11.00am	Eucharist	Morton
	11.00am	Mothering Day Service	Rippingale
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Corby Glen
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	Irnham
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Swayfield
Sunday 22 March	10.15am	Café Church	Swayfield Village Hall
	11.00am	Eucharist	Kirkby Underwood
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Corby Glen
	11.00am	Hymns & Prayers	Irnham
	3.00pm	Evening Prayer	Morton
	6.00pm	Holy Communion	Bitchfield

Wednesday Services	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Morton
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Easter Services in the Ringstone in Aveland

Sunday 29 March	11.00am	Eucharist	Dunsby
Friday 3 April 2026 – Good Friday	2.00pm	Hour at the Cross	Morton
Sunday 5 April – Easter Sunday	11.00am	Eucharist	Morton

Additional Services

Tuesday 7 April	7pm	Licensing of Revd Helen Roulston	Morton
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Can you help?

We are excited to be welcoming the new vicar to the group. Revd Helen's licensing service is at 7pm on Tuesday 7 April at St. John the Baptist, Morton

Everyone is welcome to come to this service, however we ask that you let one of us know as soon as possible **and by Friday March 20th**, as we need to know numbers for seating and for catering the refreshments afterwards.

We also need people to be **sidespeople** and to **help with the refreshments** if you are able to help with either of these please would you let us or Dianne know, or email ringstoneoffice@gmail.com.

Many thanks, Colin and Tim