

St. Edmunds Roundhay

Prayer Diary – June 2026



1 Thessalonians 5:11 “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”

Sun 31st May – Sat 6th June

Lord God, we thank you for the young adults in our church family and for the ministry of Rocking St Ed's. As they meet, let their conversations be honest and life-giving. Give them courage to follow you in a world that often pulls in other directions. Just as Timothy was encouraged to fan into flame the gift you placed within him, help our young adults recognise the gifts you've planted in them and use them with joy.

We pray for Gledhow Primary School; for the children who arrive each morning carrying their own hopes and worries, and for the staff who pour out patience and creativity day after day. Strengthen them when energy runs low. Let classrooms be places where kindness is learned as deeply as any matter in the curriculum.

As the Church remembers Mary visiting Elizabeth, we think of the way your Spirit moved quietly between two women sharing joy and uncertainty. Teach us to recognise your presence in the ordinary moments of friendship and support.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sun 7th June – Sat 13th June

Gracious God, we give thanks for our Community Café and monthly coffee mornings. For the mugs of tea that warm cold hands, for conversations that lift heavy hearts, and for the volunteers who offer welcome, with no strings attached.

We pray for all taking part in the Leeds Running Festival. Keep runners safe, steady their breathing, and bless the work of St Gemma's Hospice, whose care reflects your compassion for those who suffer. Let the day be filled with generosity, community spirit, and encouragement.

We thank you for the Mothers' Union, marking 150 years of faithful service. Bless those gathering at St Paul's Cathedral this week.

Through Jesus Christ, who walks with us in every season. Amen.

Sun 14th June – Sat 20th June

Loving Father, we thank you for the RVS Tuesday Lunch Group – all the friendships that have grown over the years, and the volunteers who prepare meals with care.

May each gathering reflect the hospitality Jesus showed when he fed the crowds, noticing not just their hunger but their humanity.

We pray for Leeds Lit Fest, celebrating stories, poetry, and imagination. Bless the writers and performers who help us see the world differently. May the festival spark conversations that build understanding and compassion, reminding us that you are the God who speaks through words, creativity, and truth.

Through Jesus Christ, the Light who shines in every darkness. Amen

Sun 21st June – Sat 27th June

Faithful God, we thank you for those who gather for Thursday Morning Prayer. Their quiet faithfulness mirrors the early believers who devoted themselves to prayer. Strengthen them as they hold our church and community before you.

As the world marks the International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice, we pause to marvel at the turning of the seasons. The long light reminds us of your promise that day and night, seedtime and harvest will not cease. Teach us to care for your creation with reverence.

We celebrate the Birth of John the Baptist, the one who prepared the way for Christ. Give us the courage John showed and to live lives that make space for your kingdom to grow.

Through Jesus Christ, the one for whom Creation sings. Amen.

Sun 28th June – Sat 4th July

God of wisdom, we thank you for our House Groups and Bible Study Groups. For the evenings spent wrestling with Scripture, for the friendships formed over cups of tea, and for the moments when your Word suddenly feels alive and personal. As your people once gathered in homes to break bread and learn together, bless our groups with unity, curiosity, and grace.

We remember St Irenaeus, who worked for peace and clarity in a divided church. Help us to be people who seek understanding rather than argument, who hold fast to the hope of the gospel, and who trust that your truth leads always toward life.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.