

Wednesday 20th March

Esther John. The Esther Memorial Chapel at Lahore College of Theology is a memorial to Esther John who is one of the modern martyrs depicted at Westminster Abbey. Esther committed her life to Christ and was devoted to Him, using her little hand help dholak (drum). Her life was tragically cut short by those who were offended by her choice of faith and her commitment to sharing Christ in rural Pakistan. Pray for the ministry of prayer and intercession that will go out from this Chapel throughout lent and in the years to come.

Thursday 21st March

The Anglican Church of Chile. To have one united Church. As the word says in Ephesians: 'Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.' Ephesians 4:2-6 Please also pray for Bishop Bill Love (TEC diocese of Albany) as he continues to remain faithful to the Scriptures and the Bible's definition of marriage. For discernment, strength and encouragement.

Friday 22nd March

The Anglican Church in North America (ACNA). Isaiah 58:6-8. Is this not the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free...to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? Then shall your light break forth like the dawn" ACNA are running a project called The Gift of Lent (www.GiftOfLent.org). This particularly highlights the work of Matthew 25 Ministries and The Anglican Relief and Development Fund. Pray that this project will be a very helpful resource in Lent and also that it may be very effective in encouraging generosity for excellent projects in line with the message from Isaiah above.

Saturday 23rd March

The Gafcon Bishops Training Institute. Bishop Samson Mwaluda (Kenya) leads this network. Praise God for four extremely valuable conferences already held and pray for the organising and success of BTI 5 in May 2019 to be held in Limuru, Kenya.

Sunday 24th March

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Monday 25th March

Uganda Archbishop Stanley Ntagali, together with the Provincial Assembly, has declared 2019 to be the Year of Children. In Archbishop Ntagali's 2018 Christmas message, he said, "Fundamentally, Uganda's problems are spiritual. We have allowed evil to flourish in Uganda at all levels, including our families. Children are among the most vulnerable members of our society and the challenges they face reveal to us how so many of Uganda's problems today are fundamentally spiritual issues."

Tuesday 26th March

Gafcon Ireland. Give thanks for three weeks of Theology Ireland, just finished; for the teaching on Matthew and Biblical Theology from Dr. Peter Orr of Moore College, Sydney; for the 150 who attended. Pray that Theology Ireland will become an established annual event resourcing local churches in biblical ministry. Give thanks for Brian Haugh, the Operations Manager for Gafcon Ireland. Pray that he will be given wisdom as he continues to help with the practicalities of establishing Gafcon Ireland for the long term.