

PRAYjuly: 15-21 July 2026

Bible verses and prayer pointers for daily reflection

Date	Bible verse	Prayer Pointer
15 July	"I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarrelling." - 1 Timothy 2:8	For Chichester Diocese - whose diocesan bishop retired on 1 June and Lichfield Diocese whose bishop will retire on 1 October.
16 July	"The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth." - Psalm 145:18	London and Oxford CNCs shortlisting on 26 September and 9 October (respectively).
17 July	"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words." - Romans 8:26	For the 26 bishops who sit in the House of Lords – that they might be able to speak godly wisdom into debates.
18 July	"But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you." - Matthew 6:6	For the Evangelical bishops in the College and House of Bishops – for grace, strength and courage to 'banish doctrine contrary to Gods word' (consecration service).
19 July	"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving." - Colossians 4:2	Our 2 archbishops, 42 diocesan bishops and 73 suffragan/area bishops (when all Sees are filled).
20 July	"And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness." - Acts 4:31	In particular at this time, pray for dioceses with no diocesan bishop: Bristol, Leeds, Oxford, London, etc
21 July	"But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" - Matthew 5:44	For churches running Alpha, Christianity Explored and/or other evangelistic courses – that God will use these to draw to Himself all those he is calling.