**Transforming conversations [14 to 20 May]**

**Day 1 | Sunday 14 May**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

*Matthew 28.16-20*

The work of evangelism can sometimes seem daunting and we can be reticent when talking about our faith. Even the first disciples, who were privileged to see our Lord in the flesh, had doubts but Jesus nevertheless urges them and us as his followers today to make disciples and he promises to be with us always. Our archbishop seeks to follow that mandate as he comes to the diocese with the aim of having conversations and helping us to make disciples.

Almighty God,

whose Son commanded us to go and make disciples,

give grace to your servant Justin, our archbishop, as he comes to visit us;

increase in him and in us boldness in proclaiming the gospel,

attentiveness in listening,

and love for all your children

as we seek to make Jesus known in our diocese here and now;

through the same Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns,

one God, now and for ever,

Amen.

**Day 2 | Monday 15 May [Matthias]**

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.’

*John 15.16*

Today is the Feast of Matthias when we remember Matthias chosen to replace Judas as one of the Twelve. Matthias was chosen by lot to indicate that he was chosen by God rather than by his fellow human beings. Jesus reminds us that we too are chosen by God and appointed to go and bear fruit. It can sometimes seem quite daunting to have those conversations which transform those with whom we converse and ourselves but Jesus reassures us that we will be given whatever we ask in his name, including the words to speak. We pray for the Holy Spirit to give us that same joy and boldness in proclaiming the gospel that filled those first disciples.

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**Day 3 | Tuesday 16 May**

Jesus said to the crowds, ‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God’.

*Matthew 5.7*

One of the first places that Archbishop will visit in our diocese is the Ministry of Defence site at Lyneham. It houses the Defence School of Electronic and Mechanical Engineering. Also there is Prince Philip Barracks, housing the regimental headquarters of the [Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal_Electrical_and_Mechanical_Engineers) (REME), 8 Training Battalion REME and the [REME Museum](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/REME_Museum). As a training establishment, Lyneham is home to young recruits with whom the Archbishop will have conversations. The military exists primarily to keep peace rather than to make war.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring love.
Where there is offence, let me bring pardon.
Where there is discord, let me bring union.
Where there is error, let me bring truth.
Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.
Where there is despair, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light.
Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.

**Day 4 | Wednesday 17 May**

Jesus taught his disciples in parables, including that of the sheep and goats: “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.”

*Matthew 25.37-40*

During his visit to Weymouth, Archbishop Justin will engage and have conversations with people who have been particularly touched by social action projects of the wider Church in Weymouth and Portland.

Lord, you have taught us

that all our doings without love are nothing worth:

send your Holy Spirit

and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,

the true bond of peace and of all virtues,

without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.

**Day 5 | Thursday 18 May [Ascension Day]**

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’

*Acts 1.3-9*

Today is Ascension Day, forty days after Easter Day and ten days before Pentecost, those two great Christian festivals. The cross is the symbol of our faith which can be confusing to some since it can be seen as a symbol of what is dead and defeated in contrast to the risen and living Lord whom we follow, whose resurrection is at the heart of faith and whose promise to be with us through his Spirit always sustains us as we seek to bring the good news in conversation to all around us.

Risen Christ,
you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:
help us to seek and serve you,
that we may join you at the Father’s side,
where you reign with the Spirit in glory,
now and for ever.

**Day 6 | Friday 19 May [Dunstan]**

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.’

*Luke 6.38*

Today we commemorate Dunstan who was one of Archbishop Justin’s predecessors as Archbishop of Canterbury over 1200 years ago from 957 to 978 AD. Dunstan spoke truth to power and, as a result, lost his influence at court. In 960 Dunstan went to Rome and received the sign of his office from [Pope John XII](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope_John_XII). On his journey there, Dunstan's acts of charity were so lavish as to leave nothing for himself and his attendants. His steward complained, but Dunstan seems to have suggested that they trust in [Jesus Christ](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ). Sometimes our actions may speak louder than our words.

O Lord, you who have given so much to me, give one thing more, a grateful heart.

**Day 7 | Saturday 20 May [Alcuin]**

Jesus said to the Samaritan woman at Jacob’s well, ‘Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.’

*John 4.23,24*

Jesus had conversations which transformed the lives of those whom he encountered. Today we commemorate Alcuin. As adviser to Charlemagne in the eighth century he took issue with the emperor's policy of forcing pagans to be baptised on pain of death, arguing, ‘Faith is a free act of the will, not a forced act. We must appeal to the conscience, not compel it by violence.’ We pray for Archbishop Justin’s visit as he leads us, the local Church, in mission: appealing to the conscience of those with whom we speak, making ‘disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit’.

Heavenly Father,

by the power of your Holy Spirit

you give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.

Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,

that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,

and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit

now and for ever.

**Transforming communities [21 to 27 May]**

**Day 8 | Sunday 21 May**

Jesus said, ‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’

*Mark 9.37*

Hope House in Weymouth is a place of Christian community for children, young people and families. It offers open youth club sessions, after school drop ins, small groups, projects, issue-based groups and one to one mentoring: ‘*A place that our young people can call home and be proud of. A place where people have fun, develop friendships, explore, grow and share their faith.’* As part of his mission to the diocese, Archbishop Justin will be visiting this community, We pray that it may be a place of transformation for all who go there.

O God, we place our children and young people in your hands. We ask not that you will shield them from difficulty, but that you will give them strength to face it; not that you will protect them from making mistakes, but that they may be able to learn from them; not that their lives will be easy, but that they will deal with its challenges courageously. Be with them when they are vulnerable, protect them from lasting harm, and keep them always in your love.

**Day 9 | Monday 22 May**

There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

*Galatians 3.28*

The gypsy, traveller and Roma community is probably the largest minority ethnic group in our diocese. Sadly they often suffer racial abuse, bullying and physical attack. The Revd Jonathan Herbert is the diocese’s chaplain to this community and will introduce Archbishop Justin to them as part of his visit.

Good and gracious God, you invite us to recognize and reverence your divine image and likeness in our neighbor.  Enable us to see the reality of racism and free us to challenge and uproot it from our society, our world and ourselves.

**Day 10 | Tuesday 23 May**

When the disciples had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, ‘Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.’ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, ‘Come and have breakfast.’ Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, ‘Who are you?’ because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

*John 21.9-13*

Eating together can have a profound effect on relationships and communities. Eating breakfast together after Jesus’ resurrection transformed the community of the disciples. The lakeside barbecue restored and strengthened the broken relationship between Jesus and his friends. Throughout our diocese, people meet together to eat – not just at the eucharist but at other times, including breakfasts. Archbishop Justin will be visiting one such breakfast for a community of men who meet at the Ocean Café in Weymouth to encounter Jesus and to deepen their relationship with him. Today we pray for all such communities that they may be places of transformation.

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw our communities to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

**Day 11 | Wednesday 24 May [John and Charles Wesley]**

Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, Jesus gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*Mark 6.32-34*

Today we commemorate John and Charles Wesley who were leaders of the revival movement within the Church of England that led to the formation of the independent Methodist Church. During his visit to the diocese, Archbishop Justin will meet people who have been particularly touched by social action projects of the wider Church in Weymouth and Portland. We rejoice in and pray for our ecumenical partnerships which through word and action seek to join in where God is at work transforming our local communities.

God of mercy,

who inspired John and Charles Wesley with zeal for your gospel:

grant to all people boldness to proclaim your word

and a heart ever to rejoice in singing your praises;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Day 12 | Thursday 25 May [Aldhelm]**

Be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Ephesians 5.18b-20*

Today we remember St Aldhelm, who in 705 became the first Bishop of Sherborne from which see our present diocese of Salisbury was formed. Aldhelm was a great scholar, teacher and singer who, according to Bede, ‘by his preaching completed the conquest of Wessex’. Tradition has it that he would go to public places and attract listeners by singing hymns and passages from the gospels interspersed with bits of clowning to draw attention to his message of making Jesus know. We pray for all the musicians in our church communities today who seek to make Jesus known today through music.

Heavenly Father,

open our minds to your Spirit,

and grant that what we sing with our lips, we may believe in our hearts,

and what we believe in our hearts, we may show forth in our lives to your glory,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Day 13 | Friday 26 May [Augustine]**

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.’

*Matthew 13.31,32*

Today we remember Augustine in whose chair in Canterbury cathedral his successor, Archbishop Justin, sits today. In 596, at the instigation of Pope Gregory the Great, Augustine was dispatched as the leader of a group of forty monks to re-evangelize the English Church. The mission became established and transformed the communities it encountered. Ultimately, Augustine became the first Archbishop of Canterbury. We pray again today for his successor, Archbishop Justin, as he leads the mission to our diocese, that the seed he sows in hearts and minds may grow abundantly.

Almighty God,
whose servant Augustine was sent as the apostle of the English people:
grant that as he laboured in the Spirit to preach Christ’s gospel in this land,
so all who hear the good news
may strive to make your truth known in all the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Day 14 | Saturday 27 May**

Little children were being brought to Jesus in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; but Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’ And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

*Matthew 19.13-15*

Archbishop Justin will be visiting the children of Archbishop Wake Church of England Primary School in Blandford Forum, named after one of his predecessors in the 18th century, Archbishop William Wake, who was born in the town. Contrary to the culture of the time, Jesus welcomed and valued children and young people. We seek as a diocese to value them too and to keep them at the heart of everything we do. We pray for children and young people, for their carers and teachers and for those who are governors that our Church schools may be communities in which the transforming love of Jesus is made known.

Lord Jesus, friend of children,

we thank you for the children and young people of our diocese

and what we may learn from them.

Bless them and may we be open to receive the blessing that they are to us.

**Transforming lives [28 May to 3 June]**

**Day 15 | Sunday 28 May [Pentecost]**

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

*Acts 2.1-4*

Today is the Feast of Pentecost, the day we sometimes regard as the birthday of the Church of God of which the Church of England is part. The Holy Spirit transformed the lives of the disciples in unforeseen ways to proclaim the good news of Jesus. We pray for the gift of the holy Spirit to transform us for that same purpose today.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Day 16 | Monday 29 May**

Jesus said to the crowd, ‘‘Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.’ And he said, ‘Let anyone with ears to hear listen!’

*Mark 4.3-9*

Helping us to prepare for Archbishop Justin’s visit are members of the College of Evangelists, whose members are passionate about transforming communities through speaking about Jesus. The Archbishop of Canterbury commissioned members of the college at a special service held at St John’s Church, Waterloo on Tuesday 21 February 2023. “God is making himself known through you,” said Archbishop Justin during his sermon, “be overwhelmed by that truth.” God is making Jesus known through all of us. May we all be overwhelmed by that truth.

Almighty God,

who called your Church to 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.

**Day 17 | Tuesday 30 May**

God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.

*Genesis 1.31*

A major concern for God’s world and everything he has made today is climate change which has already adversely affected the lives of many. As a diocese, we are working towards Net Zero and encouraging our churches and schools to fight climate injustice as a Gospel imperative and sign of the Kingdom.

Creator God,

you have lavished us with the beauty and bounty of the world in which you have placed us.

Help us to care for it well

so that all may enjoy it as the ‘very good’ gift from you that it is.

**Day 18 | Wednesday 31 May [Visitation]**

Mary said, ‘My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.’

*Luke 1.46-40*

Today is the Feast of the Visitation, when we recall the visit of the pregnant Mary to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth. While there, Mary first sang her Song which, some 2000 years later, we still sing every day at Evensong, the Magnificat. It describes how lives are transformed by encounter with Jesus.

Mighty God,
by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary
and greeted her as the mother of the Lord:
look with favour on your lowly servants
that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name
and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour.

**Day 19 | Thursday 1 June [Justin]**

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, ‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.’

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

*1 Corinthians 1.18-25*

Today we remember Justin, martyr. In the second century, Justin became an outstanding apologist for the Christian faith and is honoured as the first Christian thinker to enter into serious dialogue with the other intellectual disciplines of his day. Justin always sought to reconcile the claims of faith and reason. It was at Rome in about the year 165 that he and some of his disciples were denounced as Christians and beheaded. We pray for Justin’s namesake today on his mission to our diocese to transform lives with the message of the gospel.

God our redeemer,
who through the folly of the cross taught your martyr Justin
the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ:
remove from us every kind of error
that we, like him, may be firmly grounded in the faith,
and make your name known to all peoples.

**Day 20 | Friday 2 June**

Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them.

*Hebrews 13.3*

There are several prisons in our diocese: on Portland, outside Shaftesbury and in Wiltshire. Archbishop Justin will be visiting Erlestoke prison while he is with us in the diocese. We pray for victims of crime, for all prisoners, for those who care for them and for prison chaplains.

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have come so that we may have life to the full;

listen to our prayers for all in prison and their families.

Touched by your spirit,

may they find newness of heart and be open to that new life that is found only in you.

May they know care and receive support from those around them.

May they find new purpose in serving you in their brothers and sisters.

**Day 21 | Saturday 3 June**

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus said, ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

*Luke 4:18-19*

At the start of his ministry, Jesus went to the synagogue in his home town of Nazareth and set out the manifesto of his mission, a manifesto that we have adopted in this diocese. It is a challenging manifesto to transform lives. We pray for lives to be transformed today as we work to fulfil that manifesto today.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord..

**Making Jesus Known [4 to 11 June]**

**Day 22 | Sunday 4 June [Trinity]**

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

*Isaiah 40.28-31*

Today is Trinity Sunday. The liturgical season of Trinity can sometimes seem to be never ending and testing of our stamina. For Christians, there is no retirement; we keep on keeping on making Jesus known.

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Day 23 | Monday 5 June**

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.’

*John 17.3*

The gift of eternal life is a loving relationship with the risen Jesus which not even death can break because nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Making Jesus known is to offer this gift to everyone and is what we are about as a diocese.

Eternal God, giver of love and power,

your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom:

confirm us in this mission,

and help us to live the good news we proclaim;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Day 24 | Tuesday 6 June**

Jesus taught his disciples in parables, including that of the sheep and goats: “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.”

*Matthew 25.37-40*

Weymouth beach is popular on a summer’s day. During his visit to the diocese, Archbishop Justin will meet beachgoers. He will also be attending a picnic event on the cathedral green as an opportunity to meet and to make Jesus known to whoever is there.

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.

**Day 25 | Wednesday 7 June**

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

*Ephesians 4.11-13*

We pray for all those in the diocese who are preparing for the Archbishop’s visit to their setting and community. It’s very much a team effort focused through the Archbishop.

**Day 26 | Thursday 8 June**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 4.4-7*

Archbishop Justin and his companions in Lambeth will be making their final preparations for their visit which begins tomorrow. We pray for them.

Loving Father, we pray for Archbishop Justin and his companions in Lambeth as they prepare to visit our diocese. We ask for your blessing on their mission, for your grace and wisdom to fill them and for your blessing on those whom they will leave behind as they come to us. Grant them safe journeys and peace and happiness in their work for you.

**Day 27 | Friday 9 June [Columba]**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

*Matthew 28.16-20*

On this day when we remember Columba who came from Ireland in the sixth century to make Jesus known in the north of England, Archbishop Justin begins his visit to our diocese. Today, he will be in Lyneham, Blandford and Rossmore.

Almighty God,

whose Son commanded us to go and make disciples,

give grace to your servant Justin, our archbishop, as he comes to visit us;

increase in him and in us boldness in proclaiming the gospel,

attentiveness in listening,

and love for all your children

as we seek to make Jesus known in our diocese here and now;

through the same Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns,

one God, now and for ever,

Amen.

**Day 28 | Saturday 10 June**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

*Matthew 28.16-20*

Today Archbishop Justin continues his visit to the diocese and will be in Weymouth and Poole.

Almighty God,

whose Son commanded us to go and make disciples,

give grace to your servant Justin, our archbishop, as he comes to visit us;

increase in him and in us boldness in proclaiming the gospel,

attentiveness in listening,

and love for all your children

as we seek to make Jesus known in our diocese here and now;

through the same Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns,

one God, now and for ever,

Amen.

**Day 29 | Sunday 11 June**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

*Matthew 28.16-20*

Today is the final day of Archbishop Justin’s visit to our diocese. He will be in Erlestoke prison and outside our cathedral in Salisbury.

Almighty God,

whose Son commanded us to go and make disciples,

give grace to your servant Justin, our archbishop, as he comes to visit us;

increase in him and in us boldness in proclaiming the gospel,

attentiveness in listening,

and love for all your children

as we seek to make Jesus known in our diocese here and now;

through the same Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns,

one God, now and for ever,

Amen.