

Remember in God's healing presence

People we know who are ill and those who minister to their needs...
Doctors, health visitors, and parish and hospital visitors...

Staff and patients in Wycombe, Amersham and other local hospitals, and others in our concern...

All who live in sheltered accommodation...

Those who serve the public health and those who research into the causes and treatment of disease...

Those who work for good housing, good food, justice, peace and the integrity of creation, among the nations of the world...

The despairing and the work of the Samaritans...

The emotionally disturbed and those who counsel them...

The oppressed, persecuted, forsaken...

The bereaved and the work of Cruse...

South Bucks Hospice and Pusey House...

The dying and those who have died...

Those who have been commissioned for the ministry of healing in this parish have undergone (and continue to take part in) training. They have not been commissioned because they have special gifts of healing or because they are more holy than other members of the congregation. That would be to make the ministry of healing a purely human activity. Healing is never something that happens on the purely human level. Always it is the work of God, the Lord of all life and healing. It was the healing miracles of Jesus which were, above all, the signs of God's kingdom breaking into a battered and sinful world and which convinced those who followed him that he was not just another prophet. When a congregation exercises a healing ministry it does so in the name of Jesus and in the power of his Spirit. Those who take an active role in this ministry do so on behalf of the whole people of God, becoming the hands of the Body of Christ.



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Calendar of Services



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Prayer for healing is a regular part of our parish life

Services of prayer for healing (including the laying on of hands or anointing for those who wish) are held at regular intervals during the year. These are complementary to the treatment provided by medical professionals. Details and dates are printed opposite.

A Prayer Group meets regularly to pray for those who are sick. Lay members of the Group are commissioned to share with the Vicar in the laying-on of hands at services of prayer for healing and, with the Bishop's licence, in taking Holy Communion to the housebound.

Members of the Prayer Group are available each month (normally on the fourth Sunday) in the chapel after the Parish Communion to pray with anyone who requests it, and can be approached on any Sunday.

“The healing ministry is available to everyone. There is no place for discrimination of any kind. The common humanity and uniqueness of each individual must be respected and valued”.

(from the report ‘A Time to Heal’)

Prayer for Healing

Sunday, 23rd January
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion with Prayer for Healing (including laying on of hands and anointing)

Sunday, 27th February
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 27th March
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 24th April
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 22nd May
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 26th June
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 24th July
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 28th August
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion with Prayer for Healing (including laying on of hands and anointing)

Sunday, 25th September
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 23rd October
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Sunday, 20th November
10.00 a.m. Parish Communion with Prayer for Healing (including laying on of hands and anointing)

Sunday, 27th November
 Prayer for Healing at the end of the Parish Communion

Dear God of love and healing, through suffering and struggle make us whole and holy and shape us for glory. Amen.