## May 2021 Wave of Prayer

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide on 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, And for dioceses as below— **1 - 2** Aru in DR Congo; Kigezi in Uganda; Ikeduru in Nigeria; Ho in Ghana; York in England and Guyana & Suriname in Guyana

- 4 6 Uppershire in Malawi; Maralal Missionary Area in Kenya; Makurdi & Ifo in Nigeria; Tuam, Killala & Achonry in All Ireland and Mumbai in India
- 7 9 Torit in South Sudan; Meru in Kenya; Ikwuano in Nigeria; Sekondi in Ghana and The Arctic in Canada
- 11 13 Twic East in South Sudan; Rorya in Tanzania; Owerri & Ughelli in Nigeria; Gippsland in Australia and Cashel & Ossory in All Ireland
- 14 16 Maridi in South Sudan; Kirinyaga in Kenya; Zaki-Biam & Ijesa North-East in Nigeria and Waikato & Taranaki in New Zealand
- **18 20** Grahamstown in South Africa; Masasi in Tanzania; Afikpo in Nigeria; Wiawso in Ghana; Chester in England Northern Argentina in Argentina
- 21 23 Christ the King in South Africa; East Rwenzori in Uganda; Gombe & New Busa in Nigeria & Bunbury in Australia

25–27 Bor in South Sudan; Mount
Kilimanjaro in Tanzania; Oru & Oleh in
Nigeria; Rockhampton in Australia
and Agra in India

**28 - 30** Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene & Ibadan-South in Nigeria;

Aberdeen & Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India

### **Final Blessing**

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and worship you now and always. Amen

## May 2021 Midday Prayers Rebuilding hope and confidence

## **Attributes of the Holy Spirit**

#### Monday: Spirit of life

Jesus said: What gives life is God's Spirit; human power is of no use at all. The words I have spoken to you bring God's life-giving Spirit.

Mighty God, you came through your Spirit and life was never the same again.

Come to us now, breathing new fire into our hearts, new energy into our lives, new life into our souls.Transform our fear, anxiety and doubt,filling us with confidence and faith. Move in us, we pray.

Open our minds to new horizons, new experiences and a new way of looking at life. And so may we live by the Spirit, bearing rich fruit to your glory.

#### Move in us, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### Tuesday: Spirit of truth

When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father – the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father – he will testify about me.

When he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. *John 15:26; 16:13* 

#### Loving Lord, send your Holy Spirit to inspire us with your truth and reveal Christ to the world.

Holy Spirit, light up our lives with the truth of God.Be the one who accompanies us and guides us back to the way of truth when our feet should stray from the path.

In a world which revels in uncertainty write the clarity of God's Word on hearts and minds; bear witness to the love of Christ and bring conviction of faith. **Amen** 

## Wednesday: Spirit of friendship

I will ask the Father. And he will give you another friend to help you and to be with you forever. Unless I go away, the Friend will not come to help you. But if I go, I will send him to you

Holy Spirit, we treasure your friendship; your advocacy on our

**behalf.** Holy Spirit, precious friend, we praise you for your comfort in times of pain; for your counsel in times of confusion; for your strength in times of weakness.

We thank you for your help when circumstances overwhelm; your constant presence with us when others fade from our lives.

Holy Spirit, your friendship brings joy to our hearts; your perfect companionship moves our souls to wonder and to praise. Amen

## **Thursday: Spirit of adoption**

You received a Spirit that shows you are adopted as his children. With this Spirit, we cry, "Abba, Father." The same Spirit agrees with our spirit, that we are God's children.

Deep within our souls the Spirit's assurance dwells; causing us to cry out: **Abba, Father. We are the children of God.** 

Nestled in our hearts the Spirit's assurance soothes; causing us to whisper: **Abba, Father. We are the children of God.** 

Set upon our minds the Spirit's assurance convinces; causing us to declare: **Abba, Father. We are the children of God.** 

Thanks be to our heavenly Father, by whom we have been made family, and assured of our eternal adoption through the Holy Spirit.

We celebrate with praise! Amen

## Friday: Spirit of freedom

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

# Praise be to God that the Spirit sets us free to walk in grace.

Amazing grace! We are set free from the shame of sin and clothed in righteousness. **All praise to the Holy Spirit; all glory to his name.** 

Amazing grace! We are set free from failing God and share in the victory of Christ. **All praise to the Holy Spirit; all glory to his name.** 

Amazing grace! We are set free from the fear of death. and given fullness of life.

## When the Spirit makes us free we are free indeed. All praise to the Holy Spirit; all glory to his name. Amen

## Saturday: Spirit of transformation

We are being transformed into Christ's likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

# Holy Spirit, transform our lives that we may reflect the glory of Christ.

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit that my thoughts may all be holy;

Act in me O Holy Spirit that my works, too, may be holy;

Draw my heart O Holy Spirit that I love but what is holy;

Strengthen me O Holy Spirit to defend that is holy;

Guard me then O Holy Spirit that I always may be holy. **Amen** 

Holy Spirit, we embrace your work of transformation from the gloom of sin to the glory of Christ. Amen