

MOTHERS' UNION

MIDDAY PRAYERS FOR

MAY 2026

Theme – Thy Kingdom Come

Reflection for Thy Kingdom Come (from the Prayer Diary 2026)

As we wait for God's kingdom to come, we have time to think about how we can make His kingdom known here and now. Let us spread God's message to as many people as we can through our faith in action at Mothers' Union, working to end poverty, violence and injustice for all Your people at home and around the world.

Monday – Sharing God's love

Read Matthew 5:16

Loving Lord, as we join with Thy Kingdom Come to pray for others to know Your transforming love, strengthen us as Mothers' Union members to share Your compassion through word and action. Empower our outreach to families and communities, that through kindness, hospitality, and faithful presence many may come to recognise the hope found in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Tuesday – Praying for 5, Invite 1

Read 1 Timothy 2:1

God of grace, today we lift before You the five people on our hearts. May Your Spirit

gently draw them into the fullness of life that Christ offers.

As Mothers' Union members, help us to be faithful companions - listening, encouraging, and offering Your love in practical ways. Help us to share an invitation to one person to join us and join in. May our prayers sow seeds of hope in their lives. Amen.

Wednesday – United in Diversity

Read Ephesians 4:3

Holy God, we thank You for the beautiful diversity of Your worldwide Church, and for the Mothers' Union family spread across nations, cultures, and languages. As Thy Kingdom Come unites believers in prayer across 85+ denominations, may we too be united in purpose - working together for justice, dignity, and the strengthening of families everywhere. Make us instruments of Your peace. Amen.

Thursday – Being Renewed

Read Acts 1:8

Come, Holy Spirit,
Fill our hearts with Your renewing love.
Where families struggle, bring healing;
where communities are divided, bring reconciliation;
where daily life is burdened, bring strength.
Renew Mothers' Union members everywhere that we may be bold in faith, steadfast in service, and joyful in building Your kingdom of love. Amen.

Friday – Rooted in The Lord’s Prayer

Read Matthew 6:10

Our Father in heaven, may Your kingdom come in places of injustice, Your will be done in homes facing hardship, and Your peace be known in communities longing for safety.

Give us courage to speak up for the vulnerable, to support those in need, and to embody the forgiveness and grace Jesus teaches.

Strengthen the Mothers’ Union as we live out the values of Your kingdom. Amen.

Saturday – Faithful and Creative Prayer

Read Ephesians 6:18

Gracious God, thank You for meeting us in prayer - spoken or silent, creative or simple.

As Thy Kingdom Come encourages believers to pray in many ways, inspire Mothers’ Union members everywhere to deepen their spiritual lives and stay attentive to Your presence.

May our daily walk reflect Your love and Your call. Amen.

Final blessing

Lord Christ, true light of the world,
shine, we pray, in the hearts of your
people,
that we might see the Way that leads to
eternal life,
and follow without stumbling;
for you are the Way, O Christ, as you are
the Truth and the Life.
Amen.

Wave of Prayer

1-2 May: **Aru** in DR Congo; **Kigezi** in Uganda; **Ikeduru** in Nigeria; **Ho** in Ghana; **York** in England and **Guyana & Suriname** in Guyana

4-6 May: **Uppershire** in Malawi; **Maralal Missionary Area** in Kenya; **Makurdi & Ifo** in Nigeria; **Tuam, Killala & Achonry** in All Ireland and **Mumbai** in India

7-9 May: **Torit** in South Sudan; **Meru** in Kenya; **Ikwuano** in Nigeria; **Sekondi** in Ghana and **The Arctic** in Canada

11-13 May: **Twic East** in South Sudan; **Rorya** in Tanzania; **Owerri & Ughelli** in Nigeria; **Gippsland** in Australia and **Cashel & Ossory** in All Ireland

14-16 May: **Maridi** in South Sudan; **Kirinyaga** in Kenya; **Zaki-Biam & Ijesa North-East** in Nigeria and **Waikato & Taranaki** in New Zealand

18-20 May: **Grahamstown** in South Africa; **Masasi** in Tanzania; **Afikpo** in Nigeria; **Wiawso** in Ghana; **Chester** in England and **Northern Argentina** in Argentina

21-23 May: **Christ the King** in South Africa; **East Rwenzori** in Uganda; **Gombe & New Busa** in Nigeria and **Bunbury** in Australia

25-27 May: **Bor** in South Sudan; **Mount Kilimanjaro** in Tanzania; **Oru & Oleh** in Nigeria; **Rockhampton** in Australia and **Agra** in India

28-30 May: **Angola**; **North Ankole** in Uganda; **Okene & Ibadan-South** in Nigeria; **Aberdeen & Orkney** in Scotland and **Karnataka South** in India