

Prayer Wall Plugin

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Installation

1. Upload the provided **dunham-prayer-wall.zip** via **Plugins** → **Add New**. Alternately extract the zip file and upload the **dunham-prayer-wall** folder to the **/wp-content/plugins/** directory via FTP.
2. Activate the plugin through the **Plugins** menu in WordPress.

Updates

Updates are installed via the regular WordPress update processes. If you would prefer to install updates manually (e.g. via FTP), please contact Dunham for the latest plugin version.

Overview

Once activated, the Prayer Wall will be available at `<domain>/prayer/` (though this can be changed - see *Configuration* below). As prayer requests are added they will all display on this page. Requests are sorted by the number of times they have been prayed for in ascending order - i.e. those with the least prayers will be listed first in order to maximise their exposure.

Clicking on an individual request or the comment icon will take you to a page which shows the full details of that request, including any comments that have been previously added.

Submitted requests can be managed via the WordPress admin dashboard by going to Prayer Requests -> All Prayer Requests.

Comments

The Prayer Wall is integrated with the native WordPress comment system and associated configuration (Settings -> Discussion).

Contact Export

The plugin includes the option to export contact details for anyone who has submitted a prayer request or commented on a prayer request. You can do this by going to Prayer Requests -> Export Contacts and selecting the desired date range. This will generate a CSV file containing names and email addresses which you can then import into your CRM or mailing list.

Configuration

Plugin settings can be found under Settings -> Prayer Wall. The options on this page are divided into 3 sections:

General Settings

- **Prayer Request Approval Method** determines whether prayer requests are automatically published as soon as they are submitted, or if they need to be manually published by an authorised user. We strongly recommend requiring manual review as automatically publishing content from unauthenticated users carries significant risk of spam or security breaches.
- **Comment Note** is an optional line of text which is displayed above the comment form on individual prayer requests. You can use this for any purpose that meets your needs, such as reassuring users regarding their privacy.

Display Settings

- **Prayer Wall Location** controls how you access the wall when viewing the site. By default the wall will be available via the automatic WordPress archive (`<domain>/prayer/`), however if you prefer you can insert the shortcode `[dunham_prayer_wall]` into any page on your site and select that instead. Note that the page must already contain the shortcode and be published to be available to choose here.
- **Colour 1/2/3** allows you to select which colours will be used as the background for the prayer request tiles on the main page. When the page loads each item will be randomly assigned one of these 3 colours.

Notification Settings

- **Send Webhooks To** allows you to specify an external URL to receive webhooks. This URL must be able to interpret JSON. See the Webhooks section below for more information.
- **Request Approved Email Subject/Content** controls the email that is sent to notify a user when their prayer request has been manually approved. Leave the subject empty to disable this email.
- **Prayer Received Email Subject/Content** controls the email that is sent to notify a user when someone who has admin rights to the site prays for them. Leave the subject empty to disable this email.
- **Send Follow Up After (Days)** determines how many days after a prayer request is approved that a follow up summary should be sent. Set to zero to disable the follow up completely (both email and webhook).
- **Follow Up Email Subject/Content** controls the email that is sent to the submitter with a summary of activity on their prayer request. Leave the subject empty to disable this email.

Customisation

If you want to create your own templates to override the default display of the Prayer Wall, your developer can do so by creating one or more of the the following files in the root directory of your theme:

- Main Prayer Wall: **dunham-prayer-wall.php**
- Prayer Request Archive: **archive-prayerrequest.php**
- Single Request: **single-prayerrequest.php**

We recommend they start with a copy of the relevant files from the plugin and modify them as needed. The above files can all be found in **dunham-prayer-wall/public/templates/**. Note that these templates may be updated in the plugin from time to time. You should check after each update to see whether your modified versions need updating.

Webhooks

If a webhook URL is configured in the plugin settings, webhooks will be sent to that URL based on various built-in triggers. Webhook data is always sent in JSON format, so the receiving URL must be able to interpret JSON and act accordingly.

The following webhooks are sent:



Request Approved

Sent when a prayer request is approved (either automatically or manually).

```
name: <name of person who submitted prayer request>
email: <email of person who submitted prayer request>
request_url: <link to prayer request>
event: request-approved
```

Contact Details

Sent when a new prayer request or comment is submitted.

```
name: <name of person who submitted prayer request or comment>
email: <email of person who submitted prayer request or comment>
source: comment or prayer-request
event: contact-details
```

Comment Approved

Sent when a comment is approved (either automatically or manually). Only comments on prayer requests trigger this webhook.

```
name: <name of person who submitted prayer request>
email: <email of person who submitted prayer request>
request_url: <link to prayer request>
comment: <comment content>
event: comment-approved
```

Follow Up

Sent when the configured follow up interval has elapsed.

```
name: <name of person who submitted prayer request>
email: <email of person who submitted prayer request>
request_url: <link to prayer request>
prayer_count: <number of prayers tracked against request>
comment_count: <number of comments on request>
event: follow-up
```



Prayer Received

Sent when someone who has admin rights to the site prays for a request.

```
name: <name of person who submitted prayer request>
email: <email of person who submitted prayer request>
request_url: <link to prayer request>
prayer_name: <name of person who prayed>
event: prayer-received
```

Privacy and Data Protection

All data collected by the plugin is stored in the WordPress database, so any protection measures you have in place for WordPress as a whole will apply here too. The only information the plugin stores is what the end user explicitly provides via the form - it does not collect any additional information in the background (e.g. IP address).

The system automatically "anonymises" people's names when displaying them on the front end, only showing a first initial to minimise the risk that anyone could be identified from their prayer request.

The plugin doesn't display people's contact details at all, even in the WordPress admin area. The only ways people's names and emails can be accessed is via the CSV export or the webhook functionality.

The webhook has to be explicitly configured to send data out and will only send the data detailed above to the specified endpoint.

Access to the CSV export can be easily controlled via WordPress' native roles - it's only available to those with the "list_users" capability (by default only the administrator role has this capability).