## **Devotions in Diocesan Office**

Devotions take place in Yei Diocesan Office every weekday morning at 8.30am. Without accompaniment the six or seven staff gathered (all men) sing a hymn in English or Arabic. The



Connor team joins in. Amazing Grace we could manage, the Arabic hymns proved more difficult, but were beautiful to listen to. Bishop Hilary is pictured at Devotions on morning.



The hymn is followed by a reading, and a talk by a different member of the Cathedral team, based on the text of the reading. On two occasions Archdeacon Stephen Forde (pictured left during hymn singing) was asked to lead devotions.

Devotions conclude with prayer, with staff asking for prayers for specific people: The lady who apparently 'killed herself' (although

we later learn she died trying to abort a baby); the student who has gained a place a Khartoum University, but has not the means to get any further than the local capital Juba; the Bishop's injured nephew (who sadly dies soon after our return from Yei).

We say the Grace and the daily work of diocesan office, Yei, gets underway.

Below, Pastor Richard Ali leads a reading.

