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**CORONATION**

**MON 1**

*From: Daily Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III*  
 Almighty God,  
 Who sent your Holy Spirit  
 To be the life and light of your Church;  
 Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
 That we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
 In love and joy and peace;  
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**TUE 2**

*From: CofE Coronation 'Collective worship resources for schools'*  
 Dear God,  
 We thank you for your teaching and example through Jesus. We pray for the King as he prepares for his Coronation. May you help him to be a peacemaker, pure in heart, merciful and hungry for righteousness. We pray that you will also help us to shine brightly in the world around us, and 'be' who you have called us to be as we all work together for a hopeful future in which all creation can flourish. Amen

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**WED 3**

*From: Daily Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III*  
 Lord of all power and might,  
 The author and giver of all good things:  
 Graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
 Increase in us true religion,  
 Nourish us with all goodness,  
 And of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**THU 4**

*From: A Vigil of Prayer ahead of the Coronation of King Charles III*  
 By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
 may we, with Charles our King,  
 give ourselves to the service of God and others,  
 that our communities may flourish  
 and be places of trust and friendship. Amen


**FRI 5**

*From: Daily Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III*  
 Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,  
 bless, we pray, Camilla the Queen Consort,  
 William Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales,  
 and all the Royal Family.  
 Endue them with your heavenly grace;  
 prosper them with all happiness;  
 and bring them to your everlasting kingdom;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**SAT 6**

*From: Daily Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III*

Almighty God,  
 the fountain of all goodness,  
 bless our Sovereign Lord,  
 King Charles,  
 and all who are in authority under him:  
 that they may order all things in wisdom and equity,  
 righteousness and peace,  
 to the honour of your name,  
 and the good of your Church and people;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen




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**SUN 7**

*The Coronation Big Lunch*  
 Lord, we pray for all the Coronation Big Lunches taking place today. You have commanded us to love our neighbours as ourselves. Help us to do that in our community and throughout CofE Birmingham. Help us to love others no matter our differences. And help us to receive love too. Amen



**MON 8**

*The Big Help Out*  
 Everlasting God,  
 strengthen and sustain all those who volunteer in our local communities;  
 that with patience and understanding we may all love and care for your people. Amen



**TUE 9**

*Mary's Meals - a simple solution to world hunger, invites us to pray,*  
 Our Father, give us this day our daily bread and forgive us for the times when we take more than our share of the bread that belongs to all.  
 Let us help You fill the starving with good things,  
 not with scraps from our table.  
 Teach us how to share what is not ours to keep.  
 Clothe us with Your love that we may complete each good work You created us to do.  
 Place in our hearts Your compassion for each starving child and use our little acts of love so that they starve no more. Amen

**WED 10**

*Frankie, St Chad, Rubery, invites us to pray,*  
 Thank you Lord for St Chads', my forever church.



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**THU 11**


Glorious God, we pray for your guiding hand over CofEB throughout the Vacancy in See process. We give thanks for Bishop Anne as she continues her role as Acting Bishop of Birmingham and Suffragan Bishop of Aston, and all the team supporting her during this time of vacancy. Amen

**FRI 12**

*Prayer today is inspired by Genesis 1:28*  
 God blessed them: "Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge! Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air, for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth."

**SAT 13**

*World Fairtrade Day*  
 Dear God  
 We pray for those people around the world who grow and produce the things we eat and buy. Inspire and enable us to support these people through buying Fairtrade goods, so that we too can help create a better and more just world. Amen



**THANKSGIVING**

**Sunday 14 May**

*Further Education Sunday*  
 Father God, we thank you for all those who are now studying at a Further Education college. We ask that they will find life and purpose and joy in their chosen subjects. We ask that you will help them fulfil their potential, inspiring and enthusing them in their studies. Amen

*Thoughts*

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**MON 15**  
 14-20 May is Christian Aid Week  
 John Nightingale, Footsteps, invites us to pray,  
 Cyclone Freddy caused the deaths of hundreds of people and displaced half a million in Malawi. Please pray for the churches of Malawi as they respond to recovery needs and for Christian Aid as it supports them.

**TUE 16**  
 15-21 May is Mental Health Awareness Week  
 Loving God, reach out to those who experience mental illness. Lift their burdens, calm their anxiety, and quiet their fears. Surround them with your healing presence that they may know that they are not alone. Amen

**WED 17**  
 Loving Father, we commit ourselves to pray for you to work to excite and animate your church through the world to proclaim the good news of Jesus.

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**THU 18**  
 Ascension Day  
 The Collect for Thy Kingdom Come  
 Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your Word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**FRI 19**  
 Lord, bless the refuse collectors, park and street cleaners, and fly-tip removal crews to name just a few of the men and women who play such an important part in keeping our communal areas clean and safe. Amen

**SAT 20**  
 World Bee Day  
 Bless the bees with abundant healthy food and nesting sites. Bless future generations of bees, and may their populations be expanded and protected. Help us to recognise their importance and to encourage biodiversity. Thank you for bees, and may they forever be blessed.

**THANKSGIVING**  
**Sunday 21 May**  
 Prayer today is inspired by Thessalonians 5:16-18  
 Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

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**MON 22**  
 Jesus, you know how it feels to leave your home and family, to carry nothing with you, to travel as a stranger. Help all refugees far from home, driven out by war and hunger. Lead them safely on. They are our sisters and brothers. Inspire us to show our love and a true welcome. Amen

**TUE 23**  
 Hear the cry of our hearts Almighty God. Gather us in prayer and send us out in your power. Amen

**WED 24**  
 We pray for all the people being impacted by this economic crisis, O God, the people employed by these small businesses and the families that are supported by their income. Protect them in this time of economic uncertainty, and fill their spirits with hope. Amen

**THU 25**  
 Lord Jesus, we unite our prayers with all those who are sick and housebound in CofE Birmingham. Surround those worried and anxious in these days with your tenderness; Give strength to those in pain; Hold the lonely in your arms of love; Amen

**FRI 26**  
 Watch this special rendition of Amazing Grace, recorded by Grammy Award-winning Matt Redman and 'friends' for Thy Kingdom Come prayer movement.  
 Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
 That saved a wretch like me  
 I once was lost, but now I'm found  
 Was blind but now I see  
 You can watch this video on YouTube or choose your own.



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**SAT 27**  
 Loving Lord, your word reminds us how much you value and love children. We pray for the climate crisis and the devastating impact of it on children's lives and future generations. Amen

**THANKSGIVING**  
**Sunday 28 May**  
 Pentecost  
 Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us Your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by Your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**MON 29**  
 Whit Monday  
 Let's pray for rest as schools and half term holidays start, That those leading youth groups, teachers and all those who work with children can rest. We also pray that children are cared for and enjoy the week and we pray your protection over them. We pray for the many activities taking place in our churches this week. Amen

**TUE 30**  
 Pause and take time to pray for five people – whether they be family, friends or neighbours – that they may encounter God's love and experience His blessings.

**WED 31**  
 Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts, during these coming months of summer. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

