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FRI 1

John Nightingale invites us to pray,



Creationtide begins with the day of St Giles, who was wounded by an arrow as he protected a deer. May we like him revere the natural world, protecting creatures that are weak from the violence of the strong. Fill us, Lord, with your love for all you have made.

Inspire us with the Spirit that breathed over the waters, that we may further your Kingdom, and manifest in our lives Christ's reconciling work.

SAT 2

Dear Lord, Thank you for this beautiful new day, help me to live today, hand in hand with you. Amen

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THANKSGIVING

Sunday 3 September

This month is Second Hand September, Heavenly Father, thank you so much for all the resources you provide for us. Help us to use the gift of wisdom and continue to come up with new ways that we can reuse and recycle our materials, in the hope that we can make a positive impact on the climate change we are currently experiencing. Amen

MON 4

Loving Lord, we give thanks for the Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer that is coming to fruition in Coleshill. We thank you for your inspiration, and for the team that are working to bring a beacon of hope to the Midlands, for all to see in 2026. We pray for continued support of this joyful project, and for people to share their own stories of prayer and encouragement with the Eternal Wall team. Amen



TUE 5

Barrie Scott invites us to pray, Living God, we pray for all children who are nervous about starting their new school year. We pray for their schools and their leaders, that they may support and affirm all children in their growth and flourishing in the Christian ethos of their schools. May they seek to combat all forms of bullying and prejudice particularly homophobic and faith-based bullying.

WED 6

Lord we pray that the Common Fund this year is fruitful and bountiful, we pray that the churches and congregations feel financially comfortable enough to be generous in their giving to help support the Common Fund in 2023.



THU 7

Lord, thank you for the blessing of family. Fill our hearts, friendships and homes with your truth and forgiveness. Amen

FRI 8

Today is the Anniversary of the death of Queen Elizabeth II,

Eternal Father, today we remember the anniversary of death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Though death in this world seems final we know that there is an eternal kingdom with you that is awaiting us. May we remember our late Queen in love and fondness. In Jesus' name, Amen

SAT 9

Prayer today is inspired by National Emergency Services Day,

We give thanks for all those people who worked through the summer season in order to keep us safe; the emergency services, health staff, workers in the power industry and the military. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 10 September

Creator God, for daily bread and all who work to bring your harvest home we bring our thanks today. Forgive our ingratitude we who have so much yet waste what you have given. Amen

MON 11

Father, clear my sleepy head and fill my mind with expectation. Awake my slow body and energise my heart with love in action. Ignite my spirit and set this day on fire with promise. Make the ordinary extraordinary. Show me your kingdom alive. Help me to see that every waking moment is full of promise because of You. Amen

TUE 12

The Collect of the Day Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

WED 13

September is Urology Awareness Month Dear Father, we pray that you renew us daily and keep our health strong. Give those in pain or discomfort a sense of relief and peace, and calm worries about any procedures or appointments.

THU 14

We pray for FIPS (the Financial, Investments and Property Sub committee) as they meet today. Grant them your wisdom in decision making and inspire new membership to come forward.

FRI 15

Prayer today is inspired by Jeremiah 29:11 For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

SAT 16

Prayer today is for World CleanUp Day Today on World CleanUp Day we recognise our need to serve each other and our planet. Father, we pray that all those who are out picking up rubbish today stay safe and protected. We pray that more people all over the world recognise your beauty across the landscape and try to look after our planet more in future. Amen



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Sunday 17 September

*John Nightingale invites us to give thanks,*  
On this her Saints Day, Hildegard of Bingen, musician, poet, theologian and abbess, observed the wonder and splendour of nature. She saw a divine underpinning which sustained not only the earth, but the cosmos. "Creation is the song of God," she said. "Human beings are the thinking heart, called to be co-creators with God in shaping the world."

MON 18

Dear Father, we pray for the new staff that are starting in the CofEB Finance Team, that they enjoy and find fulfilment in their new role. We also pray for those leaving and moving on to different paths. Lord, bless everyone in their new ventures. Amen



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TUE 19

Lord, you are ever watchful and bless us with your gifts; as you provide for all our needs, so help us to build only what pleases you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

WED 20

*Prayer today is inspired by Psalm 119:105*  
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

THU 21

Lord, you have a plan for me, for my life. Help me to keep the faith and walk steadfastly in the ways that you lead me. Guide my thoughts today in the midst of this week, and even as the week progresses, may I always take time to commune with you and praise your name.

FRI 22

*Today is World Car Free Day*  
God of grace, you have blessed us with the ability and technology to build all types of amazing cars that help us navigate daily journeys. Today on World Car Free day we recognise the dangers in this transport mode such as collisions, accidents, and pollution to our planet. We continue to pray for your guidance to make our roads safer, and reduce emissions and pollution from cars. Amen



SAT 23

We pray for all those at today's Explore Day in the Birmingham Archdeaconry. Father, we ask the creativity, joy and inspiration of the Holy Spirit be keenly felt in all conversations and thoughts. We pray for all those attending, that a lively sense of purpose be found in what you, Lord, are doing within the parishes, oversight areas and deaneries.



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Sunday 24 September

Lord, thank you so much for Your gift of salvation and Your many promises that bring us hope, peace, and joy. May we see today all we have to be thankful for. In Jesus Christ's Name, we pray, Amen.

MON 25

*Olwyn Powell invites us to pray,*  
We pray especially this month for all young people who will be transitioning to another school, those starting school for the first time and those, perhaps, leaving home to study at College/ University. Be with them Lord. Amen

TUE 26

*Todays prayer is inspired by Gospel Song Impossible by Pastor Mike Jr.*  
Lord you save us, help us, and cherish us every day. You do the impossible for us your children out of love. We are so grateful and thankful for your unending love, and patience with all of miscomings.  
*You can watch this video on YouTube or chose your own.*

WED 27

*The Collect of the Day*  
Merciful God,  
whose servant Vincent de Paul, by his ministry of preaching and pastoral care, brought your love to the sick and the poor: give to all your people a heart of compassion that by word and action they may serve you in serving others in their need; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



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THU 28

*Prayer today is from the Clewer Initiative,*  
Lord, you are a God who sets the captives free. Your Spirit searches restlessly for those in despair, that they may find the life you are calling them to. We pray for those who are being trafficked and callously put to work in our region. On the cross, you were powerless and subject to the cruelty of others. Look with mercy on those who suffer this way. May we, who are blinded by the shallow distractions of daily life, feel the fear of the cornered and be roused to action. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FRI 29

*Prayer today is for the Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning*  
Lord we come to you for respite and strength in sickness. Cancer is one of human kind's biggest struggles and so many people face the disease or have a loved one inflicted. We pray that by your grace and mercy we will soon find a cure and can bring peace to families across the world. Until that day we continue to pray for love, support and strength and the fundraising efforts for charities supporting those living with cancer. Amen



SAT 30

Heavenly Father, I come to you to find rest from my heavy labor. Take my yoke and give me yours, which is easy. I exchange my burden for yours which is light. Every load and circumstance that is making me to lose heart, Lord I bring them at your feet. Strengthen me in my weakness. Let me know that when I am weak then I am strong, because your strength is made perfect in weakness. Amen

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