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THANKSGIVING

Sunday 1 November

We give thanks, on the Feast of All Saints for all those who, having departed this life, have inspired our faith, touched our lives as children of God, and filled our hearts with their presence and love. As we honour their memory, may God console those who mourn, and wipe away every tear from their eyes.

MON 2

Chris Booth, has recorded a piece of music to inspire prayer for All Souls Day.

Choose your own music or listen to Chris on our website.

Today on All Souls Day we remember the souls of the faithful departed. We pray for all those who mourn their loss however long it has been. Comfort and strengthen all those who struggle with grief this day.

We pray for all those who will die today, those who will die alone and those who will die not knowing the peace of Christ. Grant them a share in your eternal kingdom.

May the Souls of the Faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

TUE 3

The Revd Patrick Gerard, Bishop's Adviser for the Environment, invites us to pray for the CofE Birmingham as it works towards its goal of net zero emissions by 2030. We pray for Parishes and Schools as they focus on the target. We pray for improvements to parsonage houses to reduce emissions.

WED 4

Jeremy Allcock, St Martin in the Bull Ring, invites us to pray:
Father God
We are saddened by the violent acts that have occurred in our city centre over recent weeks. May your Holy Spirit bring change and hope to our streets, transforming - anger into calm; hatred into friendship; and aggression into acts of kindness; so that the cordons of police tape will disappear, while the bonds of harmony and peace grow. In the name of Jesus our healer. Amen

THU 5

November is Men's Health Awareness month, considering the big health issues faced by men: prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. Lord, Our fathers, partners, brothers and friends face a health crisis that isn't being talked about. We can't afford to stay silent. Help us to stop men dying too young. Amen

FRI 6

Prayer today is inspired by this beautiful song, 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) - Matt Redman

"Bless the lord, O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name"

You can listen to Matt Redman on Youtube.

SAT 7

One young person from Holiday Club has created this beautiful image to inspire prayer based on *Psalm 139:14*, "I am fearfully and wonderfully made"

You can see this picture on our website or choose your own.

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Sunday 8 November

Sarah Smith, Director of Education, invites us to pray for the new Secondary school in Yardley Wood. Lord, we give thanks and pray for the new headteacher Mark Bowman Dalton, and the deputy head teacher Elizabeth Ford, as they develop an exciting curriculum, appoint staff and most importantly welcome the Year 6 children as they prepare to come in September. Amen

MON 9

Praying helps our hearts be ready to experience the love of God in Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. It can change the way that we think about our lives, because it creates new habits of heart and mind. Pray today to be opened more deeply to the transforming grace of God. Lord, we enter into your presence, allowing the Holy Spirit to pray in us. *Romans 8:26*

TUE 10

Lord help us in our daily life, to reach out to others, start with hello or a smile, or a word of encouragement. In Jesus name, Amen

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WED 11

Patrick Gerard, St Mary's Lapworth invites us to pray for all Remembrance Sunday services taking place across the CofE Birmingham today. We remember too the online and alternative provisions which are necessary this year. We pray for all those who have died or suffered because of war and we remember especially people affected by war at this time. We pray that Christ's peace may be known.

THU 12

Fr Barrie Scott, St John the Evangelist Perry Barr, invites us to pray for all those involved with and affected by the preparations for Commonwealth Games 2022. Lord may you guide, the local community, residents, businesses and commuters, and the workers, builders and planners into patience, fairness and equity in all their doings. Amen

FRI 13

Today is World Kindness Day: O Lord help us to spread a little kindness!

SAT 14

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Sunday 15 November

We give thanks by God's grace, the St Martin's Centre for Health and Healing, has continued to function throughout the lockdown, remotely providing about 300 counselling and therapy sessions each week. Thank you Lord for additional resources enabling important new support services to be provided to people across our city who are experiencing profound emotional difficulties.

MON 16

16th-20th November is Anti-Bullying Week. Let us pray: Lord, we understand bullying has a long lasting effect on those who experience and witness it. Help us together to end bullying, from parents and carers, to teachers and politicians, to children and young people. Inspire us to play our part in coming together to make a difference. Amen

TUE 17

Join in this prayer for bedtime:
May the light of a thousand stars shine upon you
May a thousand angels surround you
May the trials of today be far behind you
May the deepest, sweetest sleep always find you

WED 18

Father, We thank thee for the night,
And for the pleasant morning light;
For rest and food and loving care,
And all that makes the day so fair.
Help us to do all we should,
In work or play,
To grow more loving every day.

THU 19

World Toilet Day is all about inspiring action to tackle the global sanitation crisis: Lord, help and guide 'Sustainable Development Goal Six', which promises sanitation for all by 2030. Amen

FRI 20

Today is World Children's Day: Lord, today's children and young people are our future, teach them well and show them all the beauty they possess inside. Amen

SAT 21

One of our young people invite us to pray with a beautiful picture of their Lego creation made at Holiday Club.

You can see this picture on our website or choose your own piece of craftwork to pray with.

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Sunday 22 November

Lucille Arlidge invites us to we give thanks for God's presence and peace during this time of great trial, suffering and pain for the world. We pray for those who have come to faith and for those who feel that God has forgotten them.

MON 23

Bring us, O Lord God, at our last awakening into the house and gate of heaven, to enter that gate and dwell in that house, where there shall be no darkness nor dazzling, but one equal light;
no noise nor silence, but one equal music;
no fears nor hopes, but one equal possession;
no ends or beginnings, but one equal eternity;
in the habitations of your glory and dominion, world without end. Amen

TUE 24

Traditionally, prayer times have been morning and evening, but you can choose a time which is best for you. Lord guide me to a quiet place, where I can have some time with you alone.

WED 25

Prayer today is inspired by this beautiful song: 'Lift My Eyes' by I Am They

"I lift my eyes to heaven and remember I am loved
I lift these weary hands and let my Father pick me up
More than answers more than healing
God your presence is enough
I lift my eyes to heaven and remember you're still where my help comes from"

You can listen to I Am They on Youtube.

THU 26

Loving God,
Lead us to work for the welfare and protection of all young people. May we respect their dignity that they may flourish in life, following the example of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FRI 27

Lord, thank you for a new day
Please go before me and clear the way
Thank you for protecting me
Thank you for guiding me
Thank you for loving me
In Jesus name. Amen

SAT 28

One of our young people invite us to pray with a beautiful picture drawn at Holiday Club: "Sometimes God whispers ...
... Sometimes God shouts!"

You can see this picture on our website or choose your own.

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Sunday 29 November

Psalms 117 (MSG)
Praise God, everybody!
Applaud God, all people!
His love has taken over our lives;
God's faithful ways are eternal.
Hallelujah!

MON 30

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face;
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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