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## MON 1



God of Love,

Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love.

Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent.

As we wait and prepare for his coming. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen

## TUE 2

Gracious God, as Christians agent turned on and shops become busy, we hospitality industry during this busy time of the year. Uphold and encourage those working long hours and give us all grace to treat one another with the love and care you show in Jesus. Amen



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#### WED 3

Holy God, we pray you would give us great love for our city and region, and we seek Your divine protection over our neighborhoods. Surround our homes with Your angels, instill peace in our hearts, and foster unity among our neighbours. Amen

#### THU 4



The CofE Birmingham Environment team invite us to prav.

Loving God, your Son was laid in a manger and visited by shepherds from the fields, help us also to celebrate his birth without extravagance, pollution or waste, in simplicity, gratitude and joy. Amen

#### FRI 5

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for opening the hearts of many to those who are fleeing for their lives. Help us now to open our arms in welcome. and reach out our hands in support. That the desperate may find new hope, and lives torn apart be restored. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.

who fled persecution at His birth and at His last triumphed over death. Amen

#### SAT 6

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for our CofE Birmingham leaders and parishioners who make their church a welcoming sanctuary filled with joy and gratitude. Bless our community as we gather in Your name, fostering love, unity, and thanksgiving. May Your Spirit continue to inspire our worship and deepen our faith as we spread your Good News. Amen

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#### SUN 7

Lucille Monica Arlidge invites us to pray, Lord, you call each of us to serve you as your servants in the world. We thank you that you have helped us to see the needs of others and then to serve them with compassion and love. For this vocation and calling we thank you for the sake of Jesus, Amen

### MON 8

Lord, lead us to every place you want us to go. Send us out into our community and beyond to disciple others and show them how to grow near to you. Amen

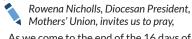
#### TUE 9

Prayer today is inspired by Deuteronomy 31:8, "The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

Lord God, I thank you for your presence, As I start my day, I know I don't do it alone but that you go before me. Please help me continually be aware of your presence with me throughout the day, may it give me the courage to do all that you ask of me. Amen

#### **WED 10**





As we come to the end of the 16 days of Activism we pray for the work of the Mothers' Union's Rise Up Campaign. Let us pray for all those affected by domestic or gender based violence, may you give them courage, strength and loving support to enable them to find shelter, peace and safety. We also pray for all those who work to support those affected and those who have authority to end all abuse. Amen

## **THU 11**







Heavenly Father, We pray that we all may cultivate hearts of gratitude, recognising the countless blessings that grace our lives. Help us see the beauty in the simple things and be thankful for Your abundant grace. Amen

#### FRI 12

Lord God, So many places are torn by violence, unrest, and fear. We ask for Your peace to reign where chaos seems to rule. Pour out Your Spirit in troubled regions, calming hearts and silencing weapons. Protect the innocent, comfort the grieving, and bring divine resolution to every conflict. Let the nations see Your light and be drawn to Your truth. Amen

#### **SAT 13**

Spirit of the Lord, we humbly lift up all CofE Birmingham church workers and volunteers, thanking You for their dedication, service, and willingness to serve others in Your name. May their work be a reflection of Your love, and may they feel Your presence and encouragement each day. Amen

#### **SUN 14**

John Nightingale invites us to pray,

Lord we thank you that many young people leave school passionate about nature and the care of our planet. Let us ask they be helped by church and community, to find opportunities, paid and voluntary, to develop an environmental vocation. Amen

#### **MON 15**

Prayer today is inspired by Psalm 32:8, I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go: I will counsel you with my eve upon you.

Dear God, You are so generous and have abundantly blessed my life with Your presence. Thank You for opening my eyes to the blessings You have given me and my family. Show me how I can be a blessing to others. Amen



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## **TUE 16**

Holy God, we thank you for the joy and excitement of schools. Help us to stay focused on the true meaning of Christ's birth and to have peace in our hearts. We pray for blessings on our families, and for all those who may find this time difficult. Amen

#### **WED 17**

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Prayer today is inspired by Isaiah 11:2-3,

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him. the spirit of wisdom and understanding. the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear.



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#### **THU 18**

Loving Jesus,

vou were born in a stable but worshipped by

Be with all who are lonely, and with all who feel distant from celebrations.

Be for us a living hope that lightens their hearts.

## FRI 19

Father, we pray for the nations of the earth to turn their hearts to You. Let every people group, language, and tribe come to know the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Let hearts be softened, ears be opened, and eyes see Your glory. Amen

#### **SAT 20**

Heavenly Father, strengthen our CofE Birmingham church community, renew our faith, and guide us in love and unity. May your Spirit inspire us to serve and grow together in your grace. Amen

#### **SUN 21**

Lord Jesus Cirrist, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen

#### **MON 22**

Gracious God, as CofE Birmingham home groups meet this week, please give your guidance and wisdom. You are the source of all knowledge and understanding. Help our home groups to listen attentively to one another, with open hearts and minds. Please reveal more of Yourself as they grow closer to You and one another. Amen

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#### **TUE 23**

Heavenly Father,

May all who are working today have a day filled with productivity, creativity, and a deep sense of fulfillment. As we interact with others, help us to be an agent of your love and grace. May our words be seasoned with kindness, and our actions mirror the values of our faith. Amen

#### **WED 24**

Today is Christmas Eve,

Lord Jesus, we welcome You into our hearts this Christmas Eve. Thank You for Your love and sacrifice. May our lives reflect Your light. Amen

#### **THU 25**



Christmas Day,

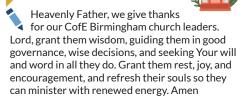
Christ, for whom there was no room in the inn, give courage to all who are homeless: Christ, who fled into Egypt, give comfort to all refugees; Christ, who fasted in the desert, give relief to all who are starving: Christ, who hung in agony on the cross, give strength to all who suffer: Lord of the Church hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever. Amen

#### FRI 26

Boxing Day,

Gracious God, on this Boxing Day, I pause to reflect on the past year. As I consider the highs and lows, I seek Your guidance for the journey ahead. Grant me wisdom to learn from the past, discernment for the present, and hope for the future. Amen

#### **SAT 27**



#### **SUN 28**

Lucille Monica Arlidge invites us to pray,

Dear Lord, as we pray during this closing season of the Church year, we give thanks for all the saints. Especially, we give thanks for those who have served in the defence and protection of others. May those who died find their rest in you. May those who are hurt find healing and hope in you. This we ask in the name of Jesus. our saviour and our King. Amen

#### **MON 29**

Eternal Father, We lift up our neighbours, asking for the gift of unwavering faith. Strengthen their belief in your promises, Lord, and help them trust in your divine plan. May their faith be an anchor in life's storms, and may they find hope and assurance in your unwavering love. Amen

#### **TUE 30**

Heavenly Father, we ask you to comfort and surround care home and nursing home residents with Your love. Give caregivers strength, patience and kindness. Guide decisionmakers to honor the dignity of all. May all feel Your presence and let it bring hope, peace, and compassion to every soul. Amen

## **WED 31**

Dear Heavenly Father, I come before You with a heart full of gratitude. Thank You for the blessings of the past year. Help me reflect on the goodness in my life and appreciate the moments of joy and growth. May I carry a spirit of thankfulness into the coming year. recognising Your hand in all things. Amen