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FRI 4


 Today prayer is inspired by the song 'The Heart of Worship' by Matt Redman, I'm coming back to the heart of worship And it's all about you It's all about you, Jesus
You can listen to this song on YouTube or choose your own.

SAT 5


 Today is World Environment Day, Lord, help us to be better stewards of the earth. We pray for the big Climate Sunday service in Glasgow on 5th September and for all Climate Sunday services taking place across Birmingham too. Help us to explore creation care, to pray for the environment and to commit to action. Guide world leaders to take planet saving action at the COP26 conference in Glasgow in November.

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 6 June

 More than 10 years ago, following a major arson attack, St Richard's PCC set itself the task of very significantly redesigning and redeveloping its building in Lea Hall. Little by little, as funding has allowed, the task has been engaged with. On 6th May 2021, the latest round of work was completed and we are now 90% there. We praise God for the funding made available throughout to make all this possible. We also praise God for the patience and resilience of the congregation who have never lost heart or faith despite many dark and uncertain moments.


MON 7

 Today prayer is inspired by 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.




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TUE 8

 Lord, we ask for protection and love to cover isolated families in Birmingham, We give thanks for the resilience of these families, We give thanks for all children's workers and youth workers, We give thanks for the huge response from churches to the needs of families at this time, May we see families go from isolation to community. Surrounded by the love and support of your people. Amen


WED 9

 Father, please visit the homes of my neighbours, near and far, and fill their home with your love and blessings. Amen


THU 10

 Fr Barrie Scott, St John the Evangelist, invites us to pray for their Youth Club, re-launching this month. We pray for the leaders and volunteers and all the young people and their families as we continue to share the presence of Christ here in Perry Barr.

FRI 11

 Lord, I put everything in your hands today: my family and friends, my health, my home, my security, my fears. You are the only one I trust with all I have and all I am. Amen


SAT 12

 The Queen's official birthday
Lord, we thank you that through your Holy Spirit you sustain the whole world. We pray for leaders of every nation, and today especially for Elizabeth our Queen. We thank you for her steadfast commitment to public duty across so many decades, and for her Christian witness in her life and work. Guide her with your wisdom, and give her strength and insight as she continues to serve you and her people to the glory of your name. Amen


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THANKSGIVING


Sunday 13 June

 Lucille Arlidge, St Matthew with St Chad, Smethwick invites us to pray, Lord we thank you for enfolding us during this year of Pandemic. Thank you for your light in times of darkness, your peace in times of chaos and your hope in times of despair. Amen


MON 14

 Blood donation is an amazing gift to people who need it. Lord, on World Blood Donor Day we pray for people's awareness of the need for safe and reliable supplies of blood and blood products, which is a constant requirement around the world.

TUE 15

 Dear Lord, Grant me the ability to listen well, to speak kindly and respond gently.

WED 16

 Prayer today is inspired by the words of John Wesley, Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can.



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THANKSGIVING

Sunday 20 June

Father's Day

Gracious God,
Bless fathers and all father figures with such love and faithfulness that children flourish and grow in integrity and joy. Bless those who long to be fathers and those for whom this day is difficult. We thank you Lord for the love of family and friends.
Amen

MON 21

As we move through each phase of the roadmap out of lockdown, we remember that COVID-19 remains a part of our lives. Lord, grant us the patience to keep living our lives differently to keep ourselves and others safe. Help us to continue to comply with the COVID-Secure measures. May we still look out for our friends and neighbours who are still struggling at this time. Lord, bless our local community with your love.
Amen

TUE 22

Windrush Day
Merciful God,
Creator and lover of Humanity
Thank you for the legacy and ongoing contribution made by those from the Windrush Generation who laid a foundation, not only for their descendants, but in wider society. We remember all those who were wrongly detained, deported and denied their legal rights, and particularly those who still seek justice. We also give thanks for those who strive for equity and inclusion, recognising that all reconciliation is ultimately founded in Christ. His life, death and resurrection means that all, irrespective of ethnic identity or cultural background are made in God's image. Help us to acknowledge your presence in all our encounters, so that in our diversity we can be united through the power of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Christ,
Amen

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WED 23

Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray the Lord my soul to keep
Angels watch me through the night
and wake me in the morning light.
Amen

THU 24

Today prayer is inspired by the song 'Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me' by CityAlight,
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
You can listen to this song on YouTube or choose your own.

FRI 25

Lucille Arlidge, St Matthew with St Chad, Smethwick invites us to pray,
Lord lead us into new ways of being: as individuals, as communities, as your witnesses in the world. Teach us how to faithfully serve you and one another. Enable us to work with you to turn your creation the right way up. Lord in your mercy - hear our prayer.
Amen

THANKSGIVING

Saturday 26 June

Loving God we give you thanks for those who will be ordained as Deacons today, praying you will equip them for the ministry you have called them to. We pray for their families and the parishes and churches they will serve.
They are: Claire Reid, Charlotte Gibson, Katie Stock, Carol Farrell, Tariro Matsveru, Ian Crockford, Sandra Langston, Emily Robottom Scott, Susan Pearson, Jill MacDonald, Anne Knight, Sam Sieber, Tammy Tearoe, Emily Spencer

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THANKSGIVING

Sunday 27 June

Loving God we give you thanks for those who will be ordained as Priest today, praying you will equip them for the ministry you have called them to. We pray for their families and the parishes and churches they will serve.
They are: Jodie Brown, Laura Ward, Clare Dean, Sara Moore, Gloria Smith, Matt Churchouse, Simon Cocks, Barbara Hamilton, Teresa Moreton, Chris Chalmers

MON 28

Jill Stolberg, Church School Distinctiveness Adviser, invites us to pray for secondary school colleagues who are helping to submit appropriate grades in lieu of summer exams. Lord, guide them as they consider each young person's future, and submit grades that reflect their achievement and potential.
Amen

TUE 29

Paul Bracher invites us to pray,
Lord Jesus, we praise you for your example in reaching out to everyone, including the poor and marginalised of society. We ask today that you would bless St Richard's in Lea Hall as they reach out to people in your name, to deepen church partnerships with their community as they minister to those in need.
Amen

WED 30

Dear God,
With all my heart I want to thank you for loving me, forgiving me, healing me, and never leaving me.
Amen

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THU 17

safefamilies.uk invites us to pray,
Lord, we give thanks for the opportunity to work with isolated families in Birmingham, through Birmingham Children's trust. Thank you for answering our prayers for volunteers to step forward. We pray you continue to bless the families who step out in faith and the volunteers who are coming alongside them to show love and care in the name of Jesus.
Amen

FRI 18

Today we remember all the churches in interregnum.
Thank you Heavenly Father for all serving you in these churches, we ask that you would support them as they support their community and minister to them as they minister to others.

SAT 19

Thank God in prayer today, remember that everything in your life is a gift from him.
Think about what are you grateful for today.

All these CofEB Praying Together prayers can be found on our website www.dio.org.uk/CofEB-PT
To submit your expression of prayer go to www.cofe.io/PT or by post - Comms Team, 1 Colmore Row B3 2BJ

