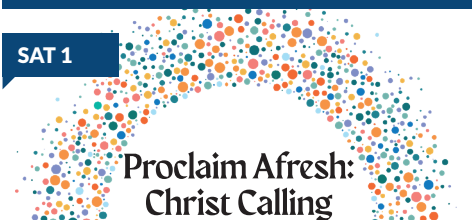




Growing churches at the heart of each community

1 - 15 Nov 2025 1/2

SAT 1



Gracious God, we pray for the celebrations today for the new ministry 'Proclaim Afresh: Christ Calling', that many will attend and that it shall be a great celebration and time of learning for all Cohort 2 as they journey toward ordination to priesthood and prayers for Iranians as they teach the pilot. Amen

SUN 2

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure" Hebrews 6:19
Heavenly Father, thank You for the hope that anchors our soul, firm and secure in Your promises. Strengthen us amid life's storms, and remind us that Christ has gone ahead to prepare a heavenly sanctuary. May this hope keep us steadfast, confident, and rooted in Your eternal love. Amen

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MON 3

God of Peace, we pray that world leaders are granted the wisdom to see beyond the boundaries of race, religion, and nation to that common humanity that makes us all your children, and brothers and sisters to one another. Amen

TUE 4

Everlasting God, as the nights grow colder, please comfort and protect those who are homeless, providing shelter, warmth, and hope. Stir our hearts to compassion, guiding us to serve and support them with love and kindness. Strengthen and shield them, in Jesus' name, Amen

WED 5

Safe Spaces for Young People encourages and supports churches in disadvantaged neighbourhoods to connect with young people.
Lord we pray for their continued support in creating a discipleship pathway for young people in CofE Birmingham. Protect and care for the young people and the volunteers involved with them. Amen



THU 6

Gracious God, we give thanks for the Bishops' Prayer Network, encouraging deeper prayer for our city, our churches and our communities. And we give thanks for the committed intercessors, people whose longing to see lives changed, justice restored, and the name of Jesus lifted high across Birmingham and beyond. Amen

FRI 7

LGBT+ Chaplaincy Team invites us to pray,
Dear God, we pray for LGBT+ individuals at home and across the world. Especially those who live with persecution, fear and condemnation in their daily lives. Give them hope and courage in their troubles, and bring them the joy of Your love.

SAT 8

Holy God, we pray for the multiple gatherings at Gas Street Longbridge, may they provide the church and community fresh ability to grow and that those involved in serving and leading more will be sustained in energy and vision. Amen

SUN 9

The people of St Matthew with St Chad invite us to pray,
Give thanks to God for his calling to us to serve the people in our Parish. We pray for wisdom as we step out into the future. We ask for your blessing on all you call us to do. Amen

MON 10

Caroline Egan, Assistant DEO, invites us to pray,
Lord of Creation, we pray for the 190 countries due to meet for the UN Climate Conference between 10-21 November in Belem, Brazil, and for the Anglican Communion representatives as they bring the call to the conference to protect the 'lungs of the earth' - oceans, forests and frozen landscapes. Guide the delegates to vigorously and honestly take action; in particular respecting the rights and wisdom of the indigenous peoples of the Amazon basin and beyond, including those from our companion diocese, Bolivia. Amen



TUE 11

Janice Wones, St. Laurence Church, invites us to pray,
Lord Jesus, who knew the comfort and security of a home in Nazareth, we ask you to bless all who set up or maintain caring family homes. We pray for couples and parents; for au-pairs and nannies; for those who care for grandchildren and those who care for their parents or grandparents. Bless them in their catering and cooking; in their cleaning and decorating; in their making and their mending. Amen

WED 12

Lord, we give thanks for our CofE Birmingham Community Regeneration team who support our churches, projects and individuals to enable them to tackle issues of poverty and disadvantage. May they continue to support our communities and local neighbourhoods. Amen

THU 13

Almighty God, guide us, in CofE Birmingham, to cherish diversity and recognize each person's unique gifts. May our unity reflect Your grace and power, inspiring love and understanding in our communities. Strengthen us to build bridges and foster harmony through Your divine presence. Amen

FRI 14

Heavenly Father, our refuge and strength, please watch over those in war-torn lands—bring comfort to the grieving, shelter to the homeless, and nourishment to the hungry. May they feel Your loving presence and find hope in Your grace. Amen

SAT 15

People & Places Mission invites us to pray,
Lord, we pray for the leadership formation pathways. May you give strength and boldness to those completing courses that they may continue to use what they have learnt to engage children and young people around and that they would continue to be ongoing learners in their roles. Amen

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SUN 16

Have you thought about making a prayer jar? Cut up some paper, and on each piece write something or someone that you want to pray for. Then simply pop all of these prayer thoughts into a jar, and keep adding to it. When you have a moment, take out a piece and take some time to think and pray.

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

MON 17

Father, strengthen my faith to release everything into Your care. Replace my need to control with a deep trust in Your love and power. Let me rest in the assurance that You are working all things together for good, even when I can't see the full picture. Thank You for being my refuge and strength, my constant help in times of need. I trust You to lead me where I need to go. Amen.

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TUE 18

Lord, we pray for all who are working today; be with them at home, in the city, in the factory and in the fields. We also pray for those who have no work; for the disabled and the sick, for those who cannot find work, and for those who are retired. Father, give them your strength. Amen

WED 19

Eternal Father, we seek your guidance and blessings for the education of the youth in our city and region - the future leaders, innovators, and caretakers of our community. Inspire our teachers with wisdom and patience as they impart knowledge and shape young minds. Provide equal access to quality education for all children, regardless of their background or circumstances. May they come to know you in their lives. Amen

THU 20

Spirit of the Lord, generosity is more than material giving—it is also extending grace, forgiveness and understanding. I pray for a spirit that is generous in love, patience, and kindness. May I be quick to encourage and slow to judge, always offering words that heal rather than harm. Let my generosity of spirit reflect the heart of Christ, who loved unconditionally and forgave completely. Amen

FRI 21

Lord of Power, I thank You for the fact that in Christ, I am united to millions of brothers and sisters around the world. Lord, many of them are not free to follow You. We ask You to give persecuted Christians a chance to gather, read the Bible and worship with other Christians, and to do so safely. Let us keep them in prayer. Amen

SAT 22

The CofE Birmingham Anglo Catholic Missioner invites us to pray,
May the Holy Spirit guide and give wisdom for the Mission Assistant recruitment process, that they are the right candidates and that they will settle well into the project. Amen

SUN 23

The people of St Matthew with St Chad, invite us to pray,
Our Father, we give thanks for our past, ask for your guidance in our present and for your spirit of wisdom for the future. Amen

MON 24

O Lord, You are our Almighty. We lift up to you new believers who will journey through this incredible adventure of faith, we ask that You assist them in finding the route You have predetermined for them. We ask for your guidance in each step as they strive for a stronger connection with You. Please grant us all an unshakeable and strong foundation of faith upon which we can depend. Amen

TUE 25

Father, we thank you and pray for those in CofEB who are working to care for your creation and our brothers and sisters in their communities. Help us to recognise how we can play our part in caring for your creation and our neighbours. Amen

WED 26

Yardley & Solihull CFME support their parishes to engage with new children and families and provide a pathway for them into worshipping communities and discipleship. Lord, we pray for positive discussions and next steps with the Muslim community around the start-up of the school Youth Group. Amen

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THU 27

Heavenly Father, please bless CofE Birmingham's efforts to grow in disciples, so our community becomes more vibrant, diverse, and financially strong. May we continually deepen our faith and reach others, embodying Your love and expanding Your kingdom. Amen

FRI 28

Almighty God, we pray for peace. Grant wisdom and compassion to our leaders; inspire them to heal, unite, and foster justice. Transform fear into trust, pain into hope, guiding us toward your peaceful kingdom. May your peace reign in every heart and nation. Amen

SAT 29

Lord, enable Your church to be the safe harbour as we search and explore a vocation in life and in ministry. Help it to be the lighthouse too, enabling us all to navigate our lives with skillfulness and joy, risking an adventure in Christ as we follow His leading, believing against the odds that we will discover the vitality of a new vocation. Amen

SUN 30

The Collect of Advent Sunday,
Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

