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MON 1

A prayer for personal use re: forthcoming election and provided by our methodist friends,



Loving God, now that an election has been called, hear my prayers for our country and the campaign ahead. I pray for those who are standing for election, for their safety, and for their willingness to listen and to speak. I pray for truthfulness and kindness to prevail as the issues are debated. I pray that each of us will be inspired to use our voice and our vote for your goodness and glory. Inspire me, God, to love, to pray and to vote. Amen #PrayYourPart

TUE 2

Our Lord, you are the king of all creation. Your praise endures forever. We pray during Disability Pride Month that you would help us to welcome the diverse gifts and abilities that you have given to your people and may we appreciate the dignity of each person. Your limitless love creates us all. Amen



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WED 3

Prayer today is from the Children and Families Mission Enabler for the Deanery of Aston and Sutton Coldfield,

We are invited to pray for the new worshipping community at St Margarets Short Health called 'Church on Jarvis'. Lord we pray for the faith journey of those attending and for sustainability with the Leadership team. Father we look to your provision with the raising up of new leaders. Amen



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THU 4

Today is General Election Day, #PrayYourPart

Heavenly Father, we lift up the leaders of each political party in the UK. We pray for wisdom and discernment as they guide their parties and make decisions that affect our nation. Surround them with wise counsellors and grant them integrity, compassion, and a heart for justice. Amen



FRI 5

General Synod (5th - 9th July) starts today,

Almighty Father, Give us grace and strength this day to build up your Church in love for the world, in the making of disciples and to equip the saints for the work on ministry. Open our eyes to a fresh vision of your kingdom. Give us wisdom for the common task. Draw us and all your Church deeper into Christ, our foundation and cornerstone, that we may work together as one body, in the power of the Spirit and for the sake of your glory. Amen

SAT 6

Canon Claire Laland, Malawi Task Group, invites us to pray,



Heavenly Father, we pray for all NGOs now working in Malawi. We give thanks for those that dedicate their life to help others and for those who give generously to those charities now working in Malawi and around the world. We pray also for the many church workers who give of their time and knowledge to help those in need. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 7 July

The Parish of St Matthew with St Chad invites us to pray,

We thank you Lord for those you send to us in their times of need. Guide and help us as we do what we can to serve. Amen

MON 8

Today we pray for Oversight Area Formation in Warley & Edgbaston



Eternal God, we pray for parish vacancies at St Gabriel Weoley Castle and St John's Harborne. As they wait for these vacancies to fill, send your Holy Spirit: help them to be patient, build them up in faith and love, and equip them to serve you well. Amen

TUE 9

Prayer today is for a Fresh Expressions,

Lord, please support Sensory Church, Oldbury to fulfil their goal to create a resource pack with curriculum to encourage and enable other churches or deaneries to set up Sensory Churches in their own areas. Amen

WED 10

Thank you Lord for all those who help our community to run smoothly because of their jobs, voluntary work or neighbourliness. Help us to be supportive and encouraging and to step in to situations where we can serve. Bless our neighbours and strengthen those who are working in your name in order to bring healing and comfort to those in need. Amen

THU 11

Prayer today is for the Parish of St Matthew with St Chad,

Lord we give thanks for our Oversight Ministry team and pray for all of the people who live, work in or pass through our four Parishes. Bless us as we work together to hear and act on God's call. Amen

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FRI 12

Parish Services Bookkeeping, invites us to pray,

Dear Lord, we give thanks for the work of all those who manage our parish finances. We pray for and ask for your blessing on those parishes that are struggling to recruit a Treasurer or Administrator. Amen



SAT 13

On behalf of the LGBT+ Chaplaincy Team, Heavenly Father,

We come before You with hearts full of gratitude and hope, lifting up all who are being ordained at this time, and in particular those who are LGBT+. Grant all ordinands your peace, strength, and unwavering love as they step into their calling. May Your Holy Spirit guide them in their ministry, offering compassion and wisdom. Help them to be beacons of Your inclusive love, breaking down barriers and fostering understanding. Surround them with supportive communities that affirm their worth and gifts. Protect them from prejudice and fear, and embolden them to serve with courage and authenticity. May their service reflect Your boundless grace and bring glory to Your name. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 14 July

We Pray for Revd Phelim as he is collated Archdeacon of Aston today,

Sovereign Lord, we give thanks for Phelim as he steps into this new ministry among us. Inspire and confirm the gifts you have richly blessed him with. Bring your peace in times of demand and stress, and strengthen us, your church in this region, to bear witness collectively and through our myriad expressions. Amen

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MON 15

We pray for Revd Tony Rindl who will today begin his ministry as Area Dean of Yardley & Solihull Deanery and Vicar of Marston Green, St Leonard.

Heavenly Father, Bless each parish, church and school in our Yardley & Solihull Deanery. Help all our leaders, ordained and lay as they work together. And for us all to know the fruit of your Holy Spirit in our lives through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

TUE 16



Alcohol Awareness Week
Loving God, please strengthen those with addictions, and give them the courage to reach out for help. Enable them to take their first step toward recovery and give them the persistence to persevere to be free from addiction. Amen

WED 17



Today we pray for Oversight Area Formation in Aston & Sutton Coldfield
We are invited to pray for our CofEB churches which are in interregnum, including Wylde Green. That they may know God's strength and love among them during this period of waiting, seeking and trusting.

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THU 18

God of Creation, we give thanks for the thousands of people worldwide taking part in 'Plastic Free July', reducing their own reliance on single-use plastic and encouraging others to understand the damage plastics are doing to creation and our global neighbours. Lord, during National Marine Week, we pray for organisations and charities who work to restore our oceans and protect marine life. Lord, help us to be good stewards of the seas you created and all the living creatures they support. Amen

FRI 19

Today's prayer is for Bearwood Revitalisation,
Dear Lord, we pray for wisdom and vision for the right building project for Bearwood Revitalisation. We thank you for the progress St Mary's Church has made so far. Amen

SAT 20

Prayer today is for a Fresh Expressions,
Father, we pray for Corkhill Café Church, Deelands Hall, that they continue to grow in faith as much as in number, and they find ways of resourcing the 'discipling' element of their work on the estate. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 21 July

Prayer today is for Gas Street Longbridge,
Heavenly Lord, we thank you for the successful launch of Gas Street Longbridge, and all the work to date that has seen the existing congregation, and new team from Gas Street, join together to serve the people of Longbridge.

MON 22

Today, prayer is inspired by Jeremiah 33:3,
Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

TUE 23

Prayer today is for the CFME Overarching Project,
Lord, we pray for the successful recruitment for the CFME project, both for more volunteers and project staff. May they bring fresh ideas and energy to our team, and may they grow and learn alongside us. We trust in your provision and your goodness, and ask that you bless the recruiting process and our new staff. Amen



WED 24

Today we pray for Oversight Area Formation in Coleshill & Polesworth
Dear God, we pray for the settling in of two new parish incumbents within Coleshill & Polesworth. Offer them strength and courage as they adjust to parishes demands and joys. Amen



THU 25

Prayer today is for St Mary the Virgin, Pype Hayes,
Oh Lord, give your blessings on St Mary the Virgin, Pype Hayes, let them see growth in the ministry and mission at the Church, especially for the new food pantry, groups, and school's work. Amen

FRI 26

Today's prayer is for Gas Street South,
Loving Father, we pray for all in Gas Street South's Sunday serving teams to be replenished with new members, especially the Kids team and Assemble team. Amen

SAT 27

From 27 July - 4 August, 17 pilgrims from CofE Birmingham will journey to the Taizé community. Please pray that they encounter God profoundly as they join in worship, prayer, and fellowship with other young adults from around the globe.



THANKSGIVING

Sunday 28 July

Heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for your love for all people. We pray for all the different communities in CofE Birmingham, that you will soften our hearts, help us to see one another as your beloved children, and give us the courage to set aside our differences and come together for the common good. Amen

MON 29

Prayer today is for Christ Church Summerfield,
Dear Lord, we pray that Christ Church Summerfield following it's relaunch in January 2023, becomes a revitalised church of 100 people, which actively serves its local community, and they see new people becoming new disciples of Jesus. Amen

TUE 30

Today is the Lesser Festival of William Wilberforce, Social Reformer, Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson, Anti-Slavery Campaigners, 1833, 1797 and 1846,
John Nightingale, invites us to pray,
As in the church calendar we commemorate Olaudah Equiano, Thomas Clarkson and William Wilberforce for their campaign against slavery, let us pray that poor countries may be freed from the chains of debt and so helped to resist climate change and its effects.

WED 31

Dear God, give me eyes that see the best in people, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith. Amen

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