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WED 1
Thy Kingdom Come Prayer



Almighty God, your ascended son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen

THU 2
Prayer today is inspired by Matthew 28:19
 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

FRI 3
For the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Mark Pryce, Chaplain to The Queen, invites us to pray,

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen, and for the example of loving and faithful service which she has shown among us. Help us to follow her example of dedication and to commit our lives to you and to one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



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SAT 4

Patrick Gerard, Bishop's Adviser for the Environment, invites us to pray remembering the UN's World Environment Day, Sunday 5 June,

Mighty God, We join with the UN and pray for collective, transformative action on a global scale to celebrate, protect and restore our planet. Help us to treasure this creation. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 5 June

Pentecost
 Today on Pentecost Sunday we are reminded that we are one worldwide family in Christ. We give thanks for people in every generation who have spent their lives sharing the good news of Jesus with others.

We remember especially those who were pioneers in missions, who willingly travelled, sacrificed their comforts and faced numerous dangers and persecution to fulfil their calling. Amen

MON 6

Whit Monday
The Collect of the day

O Lord, from whom all good things come: grant to us your humble servants, that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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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TUE 7

Jill Stolberg, Church School Distinctiveness Adviser, invites us to pray,

Loving heavenly Father, as school staff enter the final half term of the year, we pray that you will bless them with energy and grace, after what has been another very challenging and exhausting year. As they arrange end of year activities, write reports and make plans for September, whilst still guiding and nurturing the pupils in their care, we pray that you will inspire and encourage them. Amen.

WED 8

In 1986-1991, race cars darted around the centre of Brum at an average of 100mph, in the Birmingham SuperPrix, where Formula 3000 races used to thrill crowds of up to 50,000.

Lord, we ask for your hand of protection for all involved in motor sports, with ever-present danger everywhere, hold them safely in your arms.

Lord bless the Birmingham transport network and all who work to keep our journeys safe and environmentally sustainable.

THU 9

Lucille Arlidge, St Matthew with St Chad, Smethwick, invites us to pray,

Here we are Lord, striving to hear your call and to do your will. Guide us and lead us that we may serve, as called to by Jesus. Help us to love people through serving for your praise and glory. Amen

FRI 10

John Nightingale, St Francis Bournville, invites us to pray for Fair Tax Week 2022, running from 11-19 June, incorporating Tax Justice Sunday on 12 June.

Lord God, you have asked us to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly in our lives. We give thanks for the NHS and all other organisations of the common good; help us to stand up for a more just tax system which enables all people and groups to pay their share.

Bless our nation, may it be fair and be able to assist those in need. Amen



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SAT 11

Queen's Birthday

Father God, You have been with our Queen Elizabeth every day of her life, thank you. Today we are celebrating her birthday around the world, help us to share your love as the Queen has. Please bring peace and happiness in the world as Jesus taught us. Amen

THANKSGIVING

Sunday 12 June

Trinity Sunday
 On this Trinity Sunday we come before you Lord to offer our praise and adoration. You are God the creator, giving us richly all things to enjoy. You are Christ the Saviour of the world, made flesh to set us free. You are the Spirit of truth and love, willing to dwell in us. You are holy and blessed. One God, eternal Trinity, be near to us the people formed in your image, and close to the world your love brings to life. Amen

MON 13

Heavenly Father, may all beings everywhere challenged with sufferings of body and mind quickly be freed from their illnesses. May those frightened cease to be afraid, and may those bound be free. Amen

TUE 14

Prayer today is inspired by the song 'Keep On Proving It' performed by Gas Street Music, Millie Ferguson, Taku Muderw

Lord, I know that your love will never fail me. You're the God of promises and you keep on proving it. You can listen to this song on YouTube or choose your own.

WED 15

Thrive Together Birmingham invites us to pray,

Lord we pray for your blessing on the 70 Places of Welcome that are currently open around the CofE Birmingham: blessings for volunteer numbers; visitor numbers, and that lives are enriched and communities strengthened. Amen





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THU 16

Corpus Christi
Prayer today is inspired by John 6:35

Jesus said,
'I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

FRI 17

Dear Lord, grant hope to those who are being controlled by others and cannot see a way out. Keep them safe from abuse, and give them the courage to seek help. Amen

SAT 18

Emma Sargeant, Growing Younger Advisor,
invites us to pray for all our young people in Year 11 and 13 who have GCSE's and A levels, and all young people who have end-of-term exams. Using Psalm 121 as a guide as it talks about God's everlasting love and protection.

Today, Lord, be the strength, peace, wisdom, and guide that our young people need. Calm their fears, still their minds so they can focus on the task ahead, and show them just how much you love them in ways that they will see and understand. Amen

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Sunday 19 June

Father's Day
Loving God,

Thank you for dads and children and for all the joy of family life.
Be with those who are grieving because they have no father;
Be close to those who are struggling because they have no children;
Be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love.
Let your love be present in every home.
Amen

MON 20

World Refugee Day
Thrive Together Birmingham invites us to pray,

Almighty and merciful God,
whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own; look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger, homeless and hungry. Bless those who work to bring them relief; inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts; and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

TUE 21

June Solstice
Thank you God, for light and warmth.
Thank you for the sun. Thank you for the gifts of nature and for the annual cycles and seasons. Today, give us that grace again, to see you as the Creator, the One who lifts us up to be with you forever.

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WED 22

Windrush Day
Bamidele Sotonwa invites us to pray,

Heavenly Father, on this windrush day commemoration, we acknowledge that you have created everyone in your image and for your pleasure.
We remember and celebrate the diversity that exists in humanity, and we repent of the deep injustices of the windrush scandal. We ask that you heal the hurt and pains caused by the sin of racism and discrimination, and show us your mercy for what we have visited upon one another.
Help us, Lord, to always see the blessings in the variety of people that make up our communities and nation, by valuing the gifts you have deposited in each person.
Help us to be a people that uphold justice and reconciliation, peace and unity, and as we care for, love and welcome one another. Let your light continue to shine, bringing you praise, glory and honour.
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THU 23

Chad Valley were 'Toymakers to HM The Queen'
and mass-produced their Teddy bears in Harborne.
During the Second World War they helped out with the war effort by making hospital beds, gun carry cases and electrical spares.

Lord we thank you for offering us the chance to share in creation through the work of hand and mind; for the opportunity to plan and design, to manufacture and grow, to service and conserve, and to care for one another in the places where we work.
Amen

FRI 24

Prayer today is inspired by this thought
When my arms can't reach the people close to my heart, I always hug them with my prayers.

SAT 25

Be silent and place yourself in God's loving presence. Think about the good things that have happened this week and give thanks.
Who have you left a good memory with this week?
Give thanks for who you are.



THANKSGIVING

Sunday 26 June

Lucille Arlidge, St Matthew with St Chad, Smethwick, invites us to pray,

Thank you Lord for charitable hearts especially those who are sharing clothes with people in need. Amen

MON 27

Stuart Dimes, St Peter, Bickenhill invites us to pray,

Please pray for the church as we look for new ways to use St Swithin's house, to provide hospitality and a place of safety and peace. That we would be open to the Holy Spirit's prompting us in how we witness the love of God in Barston.

TUE 28

The Pathways Team invites us to pray for those on Pathways and other learning journeys,

Father God, thank you for giving us minds that can know and hearts that can love. Help us to keep learning every day, no matter what the subject is. Help us to know and love you in all the things you have made. Encourage us when learning is hard, and we're tempted to give up. Help us to grasp the truth and give us grace to put our knowledge to use in building the kingdom of God for everyone in CofE Birmingham. Amen

WED 29

O Lord, grant us the grace to grow deeper in our respect of, and care for, your creation.

O Lord, help us to recognize the sacredness of all of your creatures as signs of your wondrous love.
O Lord, help us turn from the selfish consumption of resources meant for all and to see the impacts of our choices on the poor and vulnerable. Amen

THU 30

Let peace fill our hearts, our world and our universe. Let us dream together, pray together and work together, to build one world of peace and justice for all.
Amen

