Thursday 1^{st.} The night has passed and the day lies open before us; let us pray together with one heart and mind.

Friday 2^{nd.} With all our hearts and with all our minds, we pray for the peace of the world and the compassion of all men, one to another.

Saturday 3rd Lord Father, we thank you for our Pastors and Church Leaders; for their sacrifice and devotion to You and to the communities they serve. Bless them this day, we pray.

Sunday 4^{th.} My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me, Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be. O, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

Monday 5^{th.} May Christ the daystar dawn in our hearts - and banish all darkness from our hearts and minds this day

Tuesday 6th

Transfiguration of our Lord This is my Son, my beloved; listen to my Chosen One. "It is good that we are here and to behold the glory that is Christ"

Wednesday 7^{th.} Hasten, Lord, the day when people will come from east and west, from north and south, to sit at your table and bring peace to our world.

Thursday 8^{th.} As each dawn renews the face of the earth, bringing light and life to all creation, may we rejoice in this day that the Lord has made.

Friday 9th Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not. As Thou hast been, forever wilt Thou be.

Saturday 10^{th.} Give us, O Lord, such quietness of mind that we may hear You speaking to us today. Sunday 11^{th.} Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night; I will go, Lord, if you will lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

Monday 12^{th.} As the night watch looks for the morning, so do we look for You, O Christ. Come with the dawning of the day and make yourself known in the breaking of the bread.

Tuesday 13th Florence Nightingale

Lord, in giving thanks for the life and work of Florence Nightingale, we pray for all those working in our Hospitals, Surgeries and places of care and healing.

Wednesday 14^{th.} Be, Lord Jesus, a bright flame before me, a guiding star above me, a smooth path below me, a kindly shepherd behind me; today, tonight and always.

Thursday 15th *The Blessed Virgin Mary* Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son, Jesus Christ, grant that we may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom.

Friday 16^{th.} Remember, Lord, what you have wrought in us and not what we deserve, and as you have called us to your service make us worthy of your calling, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Saturday 17^{th.} O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need fellowship and love; let it be narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and hate. Make its threshold smooth enough so no one stumbles or goes astray; but rugged enough to turn back temptations. May it be a gateway for people to meet with You and an entrance to Your eternal kingdom.

Sunday 18th.

Have faith in God. Everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds.

Monday 19th Mondays can be troublesome, dear Father; guide and support me, I pray. Keep me as the apple of Your eye; hide me under the shadow of Your wings.

Tuesday 20^{th.} Lord, inspire us with your love, that we may step forth boldly and work tirelessly for Your glory.

Wednesday 21st Dear Father, peace begins with you. Let me be at peace with You, then with myself, then with all those around me. Father, show me how to nurture this process of being at peace.

Thursday 22nd Dear Lord, you are the Way, the Truth and the Life. You have liberated us from darkness and shown us the way to live in the light. Help us to seek that light in this world, as You prepare us for the next.

Friday 23rd O God, keep in perfect peace those whose minds are fixed on You; for in returning and rest we shall be saved; in quietness and trust shall be our Strength. *Isaiah 26, v30*

> Saturday 24^{th.} Bartholemew, Apostle

Lord, You are closer to me than my own breathing, nearer than my hands and feet; teach me to breathe deeply in faith.

Sunday 25th Dear Lord, as we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of Your presence set our hearts on fire with love for You, now and for ever.

Monday 26^{th.} Great Physician, stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace to all who suffer in body, mind or Spirit. Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of Your healing love.

Tuesday 27th

I will sing forever of Your love, O Lord; only grant me the clarity of both vision and mind, to see and to understand the work that I may be called upon to do for You this day. Wednesday 28th *Augustine of Hippo*

Lord God, creator of light, at the rising of Your sun each morning, let the greatest of all lights - Your love - rise, like the sun, within my heart.

Thursday 29th O gracious light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, be Thou our guardian and our guide throughout this busy day.

Friday 30th John Bunyan

Eternal Father, source of all life, whose love encompasses Your entire creation, help us to treat all living things and all resources, with reverence and care.

Saturday 31st. *Aidan of Lindisfarne* Dear Lord, grant us to live as Aidan taught: in simplicity, humility and love for the poor. Churches Together in Fordingbridge and District

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Support us, O Lord, all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening falls, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in your mercy grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last.

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