



**St Mary's  
Lutterworth**



**St Mary's  
Cotesbach**



**St Mary's  
Bitteswell**

**POWER**

**OF**

**PRAYER**

**PRAYER FOCUS AND DIARY**

**October 2021**

*God will hold you firm whatever befalls.*



## SUNDAY COLLECTS

### **3rd October.**

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation  
which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **10th October.**

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases  
and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the  
grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love,  
new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **17th October.**

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives,  
that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,  
and looking on your beauty may be changed into  
the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **24th October.**

Almighty God,  
in whose service lies perfect freedom:  
teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **31st October.**

Merciful God,  
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,  
that trusting in your world and obeying your will  
we may enter the unending joy of  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **PRAYER FOCUS - OCTOBER 2021**

***O give me grace to follow My Master and my Friend.***

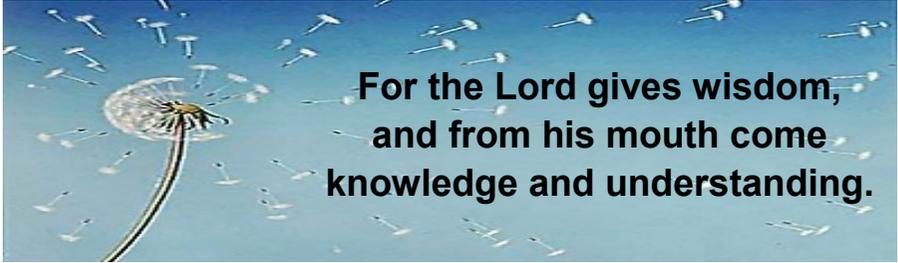


*Heavenly Father, you have given us a set of rules for living but we find it very difficult not to break them. We have known that your commandments hold the secret to a world where love for you and for one another is supreme. We pray for a deeper, more lasting spirit of loving, caring and sharing throughout your universe, that sin and wickedness may be cast away and love, joy and peace may unite us all in the bonds of fellowship and understanding. This we ask for the sake of Him who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

**SUNDAY**

**Proverbs 2 verse 6.**

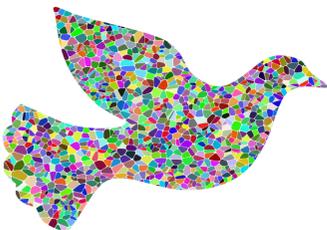


**For the Lord gives wisdom,  
and from his mouth come  
knowledge and understanding.**

*God our Father,  
we ask you to rule our lives and to guide us in your ways.  
Strengthen our wills and give us wisdom to see how  
we can serve you better.  
Fill our lives with your Holy Spirit that we may have the power  
to overcome temptations and to grow in understanding and  
godliness. Direct our thinking and prosper our endeavours  
that we may do what is well pleasing in your sight, and as we  
seek your will, teach us how to live. This we ask for the sake  
of him who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

**MONDAY**

**Proverbs 3 verse 3.**



**Let love and  
faithfulness  
never leave  
you.**

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding.  
Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we,  
loving you above all things, may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**TUESDAY**

**Matthew chapter 5 verse 6.**



**Blessed are those  
who hunger  
and thirst  
for righteousness.**

Strengthen us, O God, that we may add to our faith,  
goodness;  
to goodness, knowledge;  
to knowledge, self-control;  
to self control, endurance;  
to endurance, godliness,  
to godliness care for one another;  
and to care for one another, love;  
that we may be effective and productive in the knowledge  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**WEDNESDAY**

**John 14 verse 25.**

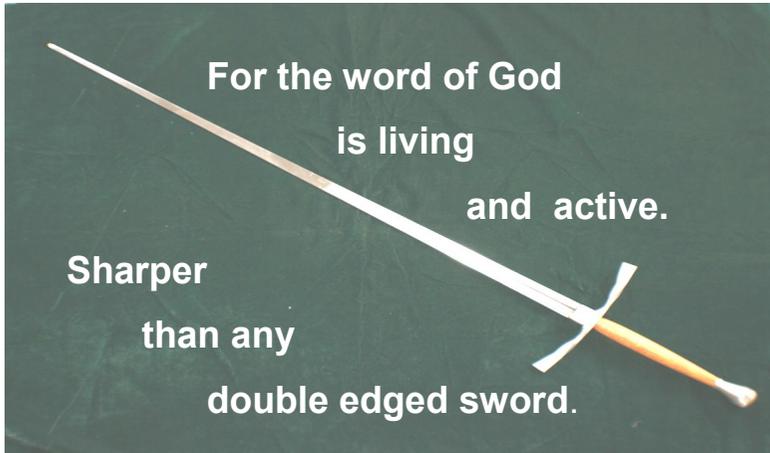


**- - - the Holy Spirit,  
whom the Father  
will send  
in my name,  
will teach you  
all things - - -**

We thank you, God our Father,  
for sending your Holy Spirit  
to guide and strengthen us,  
to help us understand the Bible,  
and to love and serve the Lord Jesus,  
for his sake. Amen.

THURSDAY

Hebrews 4 verse 12.



O God our heavenly Father, we thank you for all the wisdom, teaching and instruction we can find in the Bible. Help us to study your word so that we can increase in our knowledge of our Lord, and, as we learn more about him may we increase in our love for him and be obedient to him. Bless all those occupied in translating the Bible into other languages, that more and more people in the world may have the chance to own a Bible written in their own language, and may find in its pages comfort in trouble, guidance in making right decisions and wisdom in difficulties. This we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

*Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and for evermore!*

**FRIDAY**

**Hebrews 12 verse 2.**

**Let us fix our eyes  
on Jesus,  
the author  
and perfecter  
of our  
faith.**



“My Dear God, we thank you for blessing us with the light of Christ Jesus, who was the perfect example of a man with great character and integrity of spirit. Lord I long to be more like Jesus in all my actions and attitudes and pray that You would guard my heart; strengthen my character; teach me Your ways; uphold me with Your righteous right hand and develop in me grace and integrity “ Amen.

**SATURDAY.**

**2 Peter chapter 3 verse 18.**



**--- grow in the grace  
and knowledge of  
our Lord and  
Saviour  
Jesus Christ.**

We know our need. Life has taught us that we cannot walk alone. So be with us to help, to guide, to comfort, to sustain, that in all the changes and the chances of life, whatever light may shine or shadow fall, we may meet life with steady eyes, and walk in wisdom and in strength, in purity and in joy in the way everlasting, until we reach our journey's end; through Jesus Christ Lord. Amen.

