

Friday 24... Reformation 500 highlights the need for 'all Christians to give to the poor and lend to the needy' (Isaiah 1:17).

Saturday 25 ... Pray for the Prime Minister Theresa May, the government and politicians of all parties. Give them the courage, fortitude and determination to lead this nation along the right paths, and for the good of all.

Sunday 26... Pray for the Bring and Share Lunch and Craft Workshop taking place at church today.

Monday 27... The PCC meets tonight, pray as they look at the results of the Natural Church Development Survey.

Tuesday 28... Pray for wisdom for the Grange School Governors who meet today.

Wednesday 29... Today is the last Alpha. Give thanks for all those who have led and helped, and pray for a lasting impact on the lives of those who have taken part.

Thursday 30... Pray for The Bible Course, launched by The Bible Society. This is a course aimed for both new and mature Christians. Pray that as new resources become available, many churches/small groups will be inspired to take up the course.



The Bible Society believe that when people engage with the Bible, lives can change – for good. They take the Bible and find ways to translate, distribute, create digital formats, advocate for its place in society and help people relate to and make sense of it in their everyday lives.

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Please pray or thank God for...

Wednesday 1... Alpha tonight looks at the subject of Guidance. We pray for us all as we seek to know God's way for our lives.

Thursday 2... Bible Society: Pray that people will continue to be inspired by Bible Sunday, which took place on Sunday 29 October, and that lives will have been changed for good.

Please supply any prayer requests for December 2017 by Thursday 23 November 2017 to office@stmarysealing.org.uk

Friday 3... We pray for all who are caught up in modern-day slavery, especially those working in car washes and nail bars. May we be prepared to speak out for those who do not have a voice in society today.

Saturday 4... Creator of this world, we recognise that there are times we are so busy we miss your still, small voice. Help us to listen to your voice, that we might do your will and know your guiding presence in our lives.

Sunday 5... Bible Society: Pray for Open the Book, that the new 'Christian Values: A biblical approach' materials will be well received and enable more children to hear Bible stories for the first time.

Monday 6... Pray for our Finance Committee as they meet this evening.

Tuesday 7... Reformation 500 highlights the key biblical truth that the Christian life involves a lifelong calling 'To die to sin and live to righteousness' (1 Peter 2:24).

Wednesday 8... Alpha tonight. As we look at the person and work of the Holy Spirit may he become real and present in all of our lives.

Thursday 9... Bible Society: Please continue to pray for the Training and Development team who are making great contacts and seeing teams start in urban areas like Birmingham.

Friday 10... Pray for all those who are preparing for Confirmation next week.

Saturday 11... Do not worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking him with a thankful heart' (Philippians 4:6).

Sunday 12... Pray for the next round of UN climate change talks (COP 23), taking place from 6-17 November in Bonn, hosted by Fiji.

Monday 13... Pray for the CAP money course which is being run at St Mary's and started last Monday.

Tuesday 14... Reformation 500 highlights that 'truth can only be found in holy Scripture' (2 Timothy 3:16), and the church must challenge all error.

Wednesday 15... Pray for Alpha as it meets tonight. 'You shall receive power from on high when the Holy Spirit comes upon you' (Acts 1:8).

Thursday 16... Bible Society: Give thanks for Pastor Wenfu who helped translate the Bible into the Black Yi language in China.

Friday 17... On Sunday it is the Annual Bereavement Service, this year held at St Paul's Ealing. Remember all who have been recently bereaved.

Saturday 18... Christian Aid: November is Will Aid month. Give thanks for the many solicitors who participate in Will Aid and enable many to write a will for free and to make a difference across the world into the future. Pray for even more people to use this opportunity to leave a legacy for Christian Aid's life-changing work this year.

Sunday 19... The Bishop comes for our confirmation service. 'Defend O Lord, this your child with your heavenly grace.'

Monday 20... The Queen and Prince Philip celebrate 70 years of marriage. May God bless them both on this special day, and thank God for all they have brought to our national life. The PCC meets tonight, pray as they look at the budget for next year.

Tuesday 21... The General Synod meets this week with many difficult issues to discuss. Pray that the church will be renewed in the Spirit, unity and concord.

Wednesday 22... As Alpha nears the end, pray for all who have attended, that they may know how to make the most of the rest of their lives.

Thursday 23... Pray for the Ealing Music and Film Festival concert taking place this evening at 7.30pm.