

TIP August 2024

1st. Loving Father, thank you for the blessing of summer days, opportunities to connect with family and friends and communal events which bring neighbours together. May we be ever grateful for the gift of your seasons and all that they bring.

2nd. Creator God, forgive us for the ways we have harmed the fragile web of life. Today and every day, remind us that you created us to be careful stewards of your beautiful world, which meets all our physical and emotional needs.

3rd. Lord Jesus, we pray for all those who do not have safe shelter. Inspire us with your generosity to do all that we can to ensure everyone has a home.

4th. Beloved Lord, who forgives all our transgressions, help us to have the humility to admit when we've done wrong. May we learn from our mistakes, and forgive others for theirs.

5th. Prayer is a new, gracious, lasting will of the soul united and fast-bound to the will of God by the precious and mysterious working of the Holy Ghost.

- Julian of Norwich

6th. In a life that can change in an instant, Lord, when we face the eye of the storm, may we look to you. Teach us to sail our ships with steady and trusting hearts.

7th. Lord Jesus, who was tempted in the desert, help us to be wise enough to avoid the temptation of greed. Give us hearts and minds of humility, generosity, and willingness to share the resources we have been graced with.

8th. God of peace, remind us that the terrors of war are not your vision for any of your childrens' lives. May we always seek justice for ourselves and others.

9th. Lord, we know that you can bring new songs out of times of darkness and decay. Help us to listen and learn as you make all things new.

10th. Father God, guard our hearts and minds, that they may remain open and full of life. We pray for those whose hearts have hardened, that they may see the humanity of others.

11th. Loving Lord, you have created us to be in community. Thank you for the friends in our lives who we can turn to in times of joy or adversity.

12th. Beloved Father, thank you for the community of the Chaplaincy of Christ the Good Shepherd. Despite many changes we are blessed by a faithful and committed leadership team. We thank you for their service and devotion.

13th. Loving Lord, we make decisions every day that affect others. May we more closely follow your example and consider the needs of others with love as we pursue better decisions for the sake of your children and the world.

14th. God of Creation, you made us with a purpose. Give us wisdom to know where our battles are, and be with us as we take action.

15th. God of power and might, help us to have the courage of our faith in you. May we step out boldly into the world proclaiming your good news to the poor.

16th. Beloved Lord, in a world that seems to change at every turn, may we not be afraid of change, for we know you are with us in the process of remaking.

17th. God of love, who pours the grace of abundance on your children, may we honor your feast and work to make sure everyone has food to enjoy each day.

18th. Beloved Peacemaker, give us the courage to pursue the peace we can't yet see, to make a world we can't yet imagine.

19th. Creator God, your glory is revealed in the earth all around us. Help us to listen to the rhythms of nature and honor them as we seek to honor you.

20th. God of all peoples, you rejoice in our many traditions, languages, and cultures. May we see our differences as opportunities to bring us together in love, rather than keep us apart from fear.

21st. Lord Jesus, you came to give us abundant life. May we live today conscious of the gift of life we have been given.

22nd. Holy Spirit, who lives in us, lead us inward. Help us to meditate on your promises and pray a new world into being.

23rd. Loving God, give us your compassion, that we might have compassion on others.

24th. Lord God, we thank you for the gift of friends who are with us in times of joy and help us in difficulty. May we also show the same love and care to those in our friendship circles.

25th. Lord of power and might, we ask you to bless the leaders of the world. Infuse in them the spirit of your love so they may seek the best for the peoples they serve.

26th. And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

- 1 Corinthians 13:13

27th. Beloved Lord, remind us today that we are one body working together for the good of each other amid your creation.

28th. Father God, there is much uncertainty and destruction in our world at this time. Help us to understand that while we might feel helpless to affect any change, in our weakness you are strong and our simple belief, praying sincerely and deeply, can move mountains.

29th. Beloved Lord, we thank you for the simplicity of ordinary life. With every tiny action, in our day, we can express our love and praise your name.

30th. Lord Jesus, friend to the smallest and least of God's children, help us to follow your example and befriend the outsider that the world rejects.

31st. Loving Lord, we think of children going back to school this week and thank you for the wonderful gift of education. We pray for children and their teachers, may they be eager to learn and thirst for knowledge that will help them grow.