

- Tuesday 24th** Thanksgiving for choirs, organists and other musicians giving us the joy of religious music.
- Wednesday 25th** For those robbed of their innocence - children physically or mentally abused or treated differently through colour, gender or disability.
- Thursday 26th** Ascension Day. “Lord, be the Ascended One in our hearts for that’s where the main struggle goes on for values at work and at home.”
John Pritchard
- Friday 27th** For those needing to consider moving into a care home, losing treasured independence and surroundings.
- Saturday 28th** During the examination season, may all students feel supported in their studies.
- Sunday 29th** St Peter’s church and Donna. Thanksgiving for all the outreach, support and services they give to the Shaftesbury community.
- Monday 30th** Bank Holiday. For holidays’ benefits of companionship, enjoyment and the refreshing of mind and body.
- Tuesday 31st** If we haven’t already, may we find a quiet personal space to take stock of how we are serving God in our everyday lives.

Praying for One Another in the Shaftesbury Team.

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Keep praying, but be thankful
that God’s answers
are wiser than your prayers.

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Sunday 1st	In our services today, give us grace to hear and understand God's message and will.	Friday 13th	May the residents of care homes feel loved and at peace. Bless the staff's loyalty and dedication.
Monday 2nd	May God truly enter our hearts to lead us through this week, whatever we are doing.	Saturday 14th	For those who struggle to provide food for their families - and hide their poverty. Help us all to find ways to relieve their plight.
Tuesday 3rd	For those with hidden problems - help them find ways through their despair and desperation.	Sunday 15th	May we have special prayers and thoughts for all refugees fleeing violence and destruction.
Wednesday 4th	Thanksgiving for those workers providing essential services: food, water, gas, electricity and all health and security services.	Monday 16th	For all those taking on church responsibilities, remembering they serve God through the church.
Thursday 5th	Thanksgiving - in humility - for the multitude of things we have which so many lack.	Tuesday 17th	For those actively looking for employment. May they know your encouragement and be successful in their search.
Friday 6th	For sensitivity and sincerity in speech and actions in communication with others.	Wednesday 18th	The homeless - grant them shelter and food, hope and personal contacts from whom to gain a sense of purpose.
Saturday 7th	For all charities concerned with elderly people, improving the quality of life for so many.	Thursday 19th	For God's help knowing how to feel about man-made disasters and man's inhumanity to man.
Sunday 8th	Our homes are the heart of domestic church, where we learn and teach our children to grow in the love, knowledge and service of God.	Friday 20th	Forgive us when we are unloving and insensitive to others' needs. Help us to overcome these feelings.
Monday 9th	Primary schools - staff, governors, pupils and parents striving together to achieve a sound future for the school.	Saturday 21st	For those seeking to turn away from a destructive pattern of life. May they have strength and feel support as they look for a new way ahead.
Tuesday 10th	Women's refuge giving security and support to women and their children for a better future.	Sunday 22nd	Rogation Sunday. Thank you for our climate and soil and for those growing food and rearing animals.
Wednesday 11th	To heed uncomfortable reminders and to seek ways to do better.	Monday 23rd	May we be grateful for our access to medical and social care, which so many in the world do not have.
Thursday 12th	Incurable patients - those suffering and their families, for strength to endure.		