

- Wednesday 21st** For the wisdom and sensitivity of staff at Shaftesbury Advice Centre supporting those with debt and benefit problems.
- Thursday 22nd** Remember the people who do not have secure homes and lack the freedom we enjoy.
- Friday 23rd** For members of all PCCs, dedicating their efforts to the benefit of our churches.
- Saturday 24th** For those suffering personal conflicts, may they discover reconciliation and peace.
- Sunday 25th** To see the value of quiet time and space in our lives. May we see it today and hopefully for a few minutes of every day.
- Monday 26th** Give strength, patience and wisdom to single parents, trying to be both mother and father to their children.
- Tuesday 27th** For guidance and support to all those having a change in their way of life - whether from choice or otherwise.
- Wednesday 28th** Help us be aware of our individual prejudices and give greater respect for others' opinions.
- Thursday 29th** Thanksgiving for the doctors and nurses, cleaners and volunteers in our hospitals, care homes and hospices.
- Friday 30th** We think we know so much - yet we know so little. Teach us wisdom and humility.
- Saturday 31st** Thanksgiving for the support of those you have given us to share our lives with.

Praying for One Another in the Shaftesbury Team.

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Certain thoughts are prayers.
There are moments when,
whatever be the attitude of the body,
the soul is on its knees.

Victor Hugo

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Would sidesmen at each church please
arrange distribution to congregations ASAP.

Thank you

Thursday 1st For holidays away - or at home for many - may it be a refreshing and beneficial time.

Friday 2nd
Saturday 3rd Thanksgiving for Jill Jenkinson of Motcombe, a member of Through the Roof charity as a self-financing volunteer in their Wheels for the World programme. Her 17th visit took her to Uganda to distribute refurbished wheelchairs and other mobility aids to disabled refugees from the Sudan.

Sunday 4th For disabled refugees and their families, wherever they are. May we think of them and their complex needs in contrast to the services available to us in Shaftesbury.

Monday 5th Thanksgiving for our Key Ring editor's commitment, skills and hard work, as well as the contributions of collectors and distributors.

Tuesday 6th Those anxious about medical diagnosis or awaiting treatment - may they feel God's love through friends' and relatives' support.

Wednesday 7th To remember we cannot know all the facts of another's situation, so we cannot presume to know what is best for them, but to listen and to be there for them.

Thursday 8th That we behave more responsibly towards the Earth, conserving finite resources and reducing our CO₂ and other polluting emissions.

Friday 9th Help us not to take for granted all the volunteers in our churches, whether caring for others or cleaning, gardening, general maintenance etc.

Saturday 10th Those struggling to cope in their daily lives, for any reason. Lord, in your mercy, help them find some release.

Sunday 11th May we feel a boost of spirituality today so that we can improve our outlook.

Monday 12th All those awaiting exam results this month - help them adapt, find hope and fulfilment.

Tuesday 13th For those with the responsibility of authority - may they listen and respect the views, problems and experience of others.

Wednesday 14th Help us give careful thought to every e-mail we send - making it as unique as its recipient.

Thursday 15th For anyone feeling a loss of direction, may Christ's love help them discover a purpose in life.

Friday 16th For all children who feel unable to seek protection from abuse. Please help them find ways to get protection and guide adults to be aware and to listen carefully.

Saturday 17th For all who give their love, time and skills in our work with the town's young and families.

Sunday 18th Give us grace to understand God's message and will as we go about our everyday lives.

Monday 19th Help us give others the opportunity to develop and exercise their talents, and for us to know when it is time to step aside.

Tuesday 20th Thanksgiving for the great majority of young people who are loving and hard working.