

Hinckley United Reformed Church

Prayer for week beginning Monday 30th December 2024

Monday December 30th 2024

We have celebrated the birth of a Baby. How do we celebrate the birth of children, grandchildren and so on through the ages? The birth that the world wide remembers is the birth of God's own Son, the greatest free gift for all time. Give thanks.

Tuesday 31st December

Look back over the past year and give thanks for what you have learned, shared, achieved, times of laughter and of tears. All part of the pattern of life.

Wednesday 1st January 2025

Any new resolutions? Made and perhaps broken as quickly. How easy to forget the good will of Christmas, to give thanks for what we have and forget that Mary, Joseph and Jesus became refugees, fled to a strange country, as so many still have to do today. Pray for God's blessing on those without shelter, warmth and family.

Thursday 2nd

The carol says "but the little Lord Jesus no crying He makes" But Jesus did cry, as a baby, and as He grew. In His humility He cried over the death of a friend. He showed compassion to families who mourned and those who suffered pain and illness. We should do the same, cry with those who cry.

Friday 3rd

The world changes, our lives change. We want everything to remain the same. But if we did not alter, we would still be in the dark ages. Churches change, we should remember the Church is not a building, it is people, community, caring and sharing. We all have to do our bit, and share the love of Jesus wherever we are.

Saturday 4th

A day of rest, of change? A day to spend with children or at the sales. Do we really want more and more? The greed of one person can be the lack of another. So give thanks for what you have and be ready to share what you have with others throughout this new year.

Sunday 5th

Spend time in quietness, give thanks, praise and honour to God our Father, who did not hold back from sacrificing His Son for our sake.