

Lord of life, help me to live it well this month, and when the edges of my understanding get a little frayed, strengthen my faith.

Sunday 25th.

Father God, give us patience with the failings of others. Teach us how to tread the path that makes forgiveness possible. Amen.

Monday 26th.

Come down, O love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing. **Bianco da Siena.**

Tuesday 27th.

By perseverance, the snail reached the ark. **Charles Spurgeon.**

Wednesday 28th.

Stupidity is also a gift of God, but one mustn't misuse it. **Pope John Paul II.**

This week's readings; Psalm 27 v1 / Ecclesiastes 3 v1 / 1Peter 1 v21.

Thursday 29th.

Lord, sometimes my burdens seem too heavy and my energy too light. But if you'll take the other end I'll try to lift my share. **Eddie Askew.**

Friday 30th.

The capital of Heaven is the heart in which Jesus is enthroned as King. **Sadhu Sundar Singh.**

Saturday 31st.

One grain of love is better than a hundredweight of intellect. **Edward Bouverie Pusey.**

On reflection.

I will admit it is no Gethsemane I face, just the demands of every day, the little things that still add up to little when they are taken together. Sometimes I wish you'd intervene dramatically, but visions never seem to come my way. At least we are still in touch, still talking you and I, although the talking's mostly mine, the listening Yours. **Eddie Askew.**

Thursday 1st.

Lord of time and eternity, I don't know what today may bring, but I know you're just around the corner. Thank you.

Friday 2nd.

"Thanks are the highest form of thought". G.K.Chesterton.

Saturday 3rd.

God is the God of waves and billows, and they are still His when they come over us. Again and again we have proved that the overwhelming thing does not overwhelm. We are cast down not destroyed. Amy Carmichael.

Sunday 4th.

Loving God, we give you thanks that you gave yourself for us. Teach us how to be wise and merciful; when to stand up for ourselves, and when to turn the other cheek. Amen.

Monday 5th.

Lord, as I make my mark today, grace it with love and beauty.

Tuesday 6th. The Transfiguration of our Lord.

I wait for the Lord, my soul awaits, and in His word, I put my hope.

Wednesday 7th.

Lord, life with you can be uncomfortable. Keep me awake, the excitement makes it all worthwhile.

This week's readings; Psalm 107 v1 / Isaiah 41 v10 / 1 John 5 v20

Thursday 8th.

Because I know beyond doubt that when I'm nearly overwhelmed by my own betrayals, it isn't you who puts the space between us, it's me. **Eddie Askew.**

Friday 9th.

How little people know, who think that holiness is dull. When one meets the real thing, it's irresistible. **C.S. Lewis.**

Saturday 10th.

Help me to realize that I don't need to understand, I probably couldn't anyway. Help me simply to trust you. You are my Father, and when I've said that I've said it all except thank you.

Sunday 11th.

Father, we lift up to you the unsung heroes whose extraordinary refusal to be overcome by despair is an inspiration and a challenge to us all. Amen.

Monday 12th.

Sometimes you just have to take a leap and build your wings on the way down. Anon.

Tuesday 13th.

Sometimes Lord, often, I don't know what to say to you, but I still come, in quiet, for the comfort of two friends sitting in silence.

Wednesday 14th.

Oh, God of dust and rainbows, help us to see that without the dust the rainbow would not be. **Langston Hughes.**

This week's readings;

Psalm 118 v24 / Proverbs 27 v1 / Ephesians 1 v7.

Thursday 15th.

Yet His light shall shine from our lives, spirit blazing, as we touch the flame of His Holy Fire. **Graham Kendrick.**

Friday 16th.

Forgiving Lord, I offer you my failures and regrets, knowing that I've tried my best, must be enough for me right now. **Eddie Askew.**

Saturday 17th.

If you've never had any distractions, you don't know how to pray. **Thomas Merton.**

Sunday 18th.

Father God, give us clarity of understanding and courageous hearts when we face difficult and costly choices. Teach us always to discern Your will and Your truth. Amen.

Monday 19th.

If you plan to build a high house of virtues, you must first lay deep foundations of humility. **Augustine of Hippo.**

Tuesday 20th.

There is no limit that can be set to our growth in our Godward life, since the good has no limit. **Gregory of Nyssa.**

Wednesday 21st.

For it is certain that whatever seeming calamity happens to you, if you thank and praise God for it, you turn it into a blessing. **William Law.**

This week's readings; Psalm 139v14/Proverbs 18v10/2 Corinthians 5v17.

Thursday 22nd.

Eternity is not something that begins when you are dead. It is going on all the time, we are in it now? **Charlotte Perkins Gilman.**

Friday 23rd.

God loves each of us as if there is only one of us. **Augustine of Hippo.**

Saturday 24th. Bartholomew. Apostle.

It is easier to know God than our own soul, for God is nearer than that. **Julian of Norwich.**