- 1 Tomorrow, the 14th, marks the death in 1851 of Arthur Wellesley, the Duke of Wellington, a famous soldier and prime minister.
- When Wellington died, Prime Minister William Gladstone wrote to one of the Duke's sons. In the letter he said that Wellington had been outstanding - not because of his talents, which were fairly ordinary ones - but because of the extraordinary use that he had made of those ordinary talents.
- 3 Let us pray:

Lord, as I offer you all that is ordinary and everyday in my life, I ask you to give me the power of your Spirit that I may do the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way.

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Could make use of a search engine to research this topic further.

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