

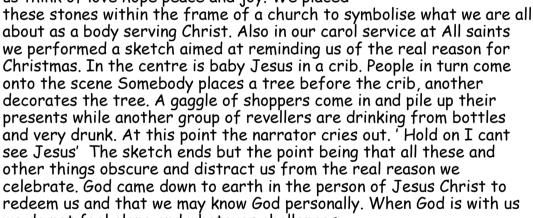
## E News Issue 103 January 2024

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Welcome to the January edition of Street Jesus e-news. We hope that you have all had a Christmas of love hope peace and joy. Its nice to be able to take a break from our normal routines spend some time with friends and family. It is a time of celebration abundance and plenty. Its not like this for everyone though. Christmas for many is a time of loneliness and sadness, a

time when loved ones no longer with us are missed and sometimes a time when family tensions come to the fore. Others in a desire to provide the best Christmas possible. overspend and get themselves in debt. During our advent services in the run up to Christmas we were invited to take a stone write a thought or depict something that made 🛭 us think of love hope peace and joy. We placed



we do not feel alone and whatever challenges we face in life we are guided and comforted by him.

It was also a great pleasure to be involved in our Church Christmas day community meal. We had people on their own, in ill health, disabled or vulnerable and young families wanting to share time with others. It was a splendid cooked Christmas lunch with prosecco, and

elderflower cordial available, we had crackers, a quiz and a small gift for all. Everybody enjoyed themselves and the team worked hard to make it happen. Romans 12:13 Hebrews 13:2 and 1 Peter 4:9 all urge us to practice hospitality particularly to those in need in the love of Christ.

Its that time of the year again and many will be making new years resolutions. Whether we make them and keep them or make them and don't we

know that we are limited in our own strength to do what we intend. He alone is our strength and shield and it is to him whom we pray.





## Street Jesus News:

As we enter the new year we do so with excitement and anticipation. What is God going to do in our lives this year and we wonder who he will place before us when we are out on the stall. We just pray that we will look to him, search for his wisdom and present ourselves in such a way that we may touch peoples hearts for Christ

Many will counter that its very hard to feel excitement with all the terrible things we read about in our news and that's very

understandable. What we see is very distressing. We pray particularly for those in Israel , Palestine, Ukraine and all other war torn areas, that the love and peace of Christ may fall upon those places and that hard hearts may soften. True peace goes way beyond the silencing of guns and bombs. It is really something of the heart requiring grace understanding and forgiveness. This is the peace that we hope and crave for.



Also at new year we get to see who is credited in the New years honours list. This year it was remarkable to see that 9 year old Tony Hudgell received the British Empire medal for services to charity. Neglected by his parents as a child resulting in Sepsis he had to have two below knee amputations. He went on to Co-found a charity for disabled people which has raised £1.7 million. As Christians we often talk about how humanity has been corrupted by sin, pointing to Adam



and Eve in the garden of Eden and how they disobeyed God. Tony's parents received a ten year jail sentence for their nealect. However we should not forget that before the fall there was original glory. God in his grace has created us to love, be forgiving and gracious. Whether we are Christian or not we retain in part that glory which is clearly demonstrated in many people and for

which Toby has been recognised. The difference for us is that we reach the point of self honesty that leads to humility and repentance, that we are all sinners however impressive we look on the outside and that whatever gifts we may have are due to Gods grace. They simply are a gift to us and we hope to others too

Street Jesus will soon be going out again to local events from February and our programme has been organised right through to August. We are so looking forward to sharing Jesus with all those we meet. We had a very enjoyable day at the Wickham Market

Christmas market in December. It was very very cold but as always it was a great atmosphere. It was one of those days where we had nothing much in the way of engagement with Jesus at the door but we were able to speak about the Beehive to a few people, we gave out Christmas poems and chocolates and animal bible verses. We sang carols, worship songs and Christmas favourites with Duncan leading on Guitar. Thankyou to Ken Scott who donated some

bird boxes which all sold. £78 in all was raised for the Beehive. Our next outreach will be on February 3rd We are just awaiting confirmation.

On Saturday January 20th Crown him with many crowns takes place at

Colchester road Baptist church in Ipswich. It is a great event. A number of local Christian organisations have stalls to display their work. Street Jesus hope to be there also. The service is very good and the spirational speaker this year is Roger Sutton New year blessings to you all Graham





The Filling Station is an informal way of expressing the Christian Faith, using celebration meetings to encourage the local church, predominantly in rural areas across the UK.

#### What to expect when we meet:

A warm welcome with light refreshments... Contemporary worship led by local worship leaders... Stories of God at work today... Guest Speakers to refresh our faith...

Prayer together for worldwide and personal needs...

Details will be announced on the Street Jesus facebook page for the January and February meetings.

The Riverside Centre, Stratford St Andrew Refreshments at 7pm for a 7:30 start.

## Everyone is Welcome

https://thefillingstation.org.uk/



Do join come and join us on the Alpha course beginning in St John's Church St John's Hill Woodbridge IP12 1HS on Wednesday 17 January 2024 at 7pm

Contact the church office to sign up Tel 01394 383162 email: info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk





Trimley St Martin Memorial hall - Worship evening Every 4th Saturday of the month.





suffolk.hopeintoaction.org.uk/

Enabling churches to house the homeless





Clare priory

clarepriory.org,uk



facebook.com/Theplacebythewater/



https://homeforgood.org.uk/

home for good









# PRAYER Every Tuesday 7pm Kelsale Village Hall IP172PB

Contact Paul or Mandy Weekes on 01728-604053

## Open to God Service

3rd Wednesday of the month at 10.30am







## Table Tennis Drop-In Every Wednesday starting on the 4 October 2023

**Restarting Wednesday January 17th** 

10am to 12pm

with a 15min break for tea/coffee and a brief testimony

In St John's Church Hall St John's Street, Woodbridge IP12 1ED

Everyone and any ability welcome, do bring a friend along



A suggested donation of £2 per person to cover costs

Contact Bob Huddlestone 07754 048056 or Richard Bolt 07824 177830

Tel:01394 383162

email: info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk

St. John's Discovering God and sharing the love of Jesus

The BASIC
Life Charity



## The BASIC Life Charity COMMUNITY POP-UP SHOP

Come along to



2 Carr Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2FS

Friday Mornings at 11.00 am

**AFFORDABLE FOOD** 

Fill a bag for £2.

**NO CRITERIA - ALL WELCOME** 

\*NEW: Free Tea, Coffee & Biscuits\*

Our Faith Community is registered with

## THE WELCOME DIRECTORY



Our commitment: We will welcome people, who have been in prison, into our faith community and support them



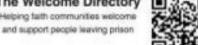
The Welcome Directory is a directory of faith communities in England and Wales who are committed to welcoming and appropriately supporting people who have left or are leaving prison, and is available on-line and in printed format. It enables prison chaplains, probation workers, other professionals, and individuals to identify a faith community in their local area that is a good place for someone leaving prison to attend.

For more information please talk to your local Welcome Directory Champion,

or visit welcomedirectory.org.uk

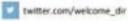
Note: Our faith community has a safeguarding policy which ensures that all safeguarding risks are managed appropriately.

The Welcome Directory Helping faith communities welcome





facebook.com/TheWelcomeDirectory



## Pub Theology

Conversations about God. faith and life...in a pub.

> Fortnightly on Sundays following Evensong



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Friday, 2 February 2024 2:30pm - 4:00pm Woodbridge Quay Church

QUAY SONGS OF PRAISE

# 0800 804 8044 DailyHOPE

A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



## Thursday Lunchtimes

Refreshments at low cost 12 noon - 1.00 pm A short talk 1.10 - 1.50 pm

You are welcome to either or both

#### Season 2023/2024

Nov 30<sup>th</sup> Winter Music

Diz Deacon & David Stainer

Dec 7th Ipswich's Response to the Ukraine Crisis

Alan Cutting, 'Together for Ipswich'

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Carols, Readings and Celebrations

Forum then takes a break for Christmas

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> The Role of a Police and Crime Commissioner Suffolk PCC Tim Passmore

> www.christchurch-ipswich.org.uk Twitter at @ThursdayForum and Facebook:ThursdayForumipswich

#### Informal service for all ages

Wickham Market

Every third Sunday of the month at 11am All Saints Church, refreshments from 10.30am



#### CEILIDH FUN

St John's Church Saturday 20th January 2024 5.30pm for 6.00pm - 8.45pm

You need a ticket -so there's space for Dancing Available after Church or from the Office

Dancing + "Bring & share" Supper

#### Please bring:

A plate of food to share, i.e. one plate equivalent, per person. (Please let the Office know what you're bringing)

BYOB (Tea, Coffee and Squash available)

Suitable for everyone. Even if not dancing, there will music, dancing and folk to chat to.

7.00pm - 7.45pm, the dancing will be suitable for primary age children and above.

No previous dancing experience needed.



Ipswich In Prayer and CYM are partnering to set up a 24/7 prayer room in Ipswich, something that many people have wanted for a while.

The initiative is due to start on 14 February, initially for the period of Lent. If you are immediately moved to want to sign up then please use this Ipswich specific prayer room link: <a href="https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/8c5c69">https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/8c5c69</a>

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## St.Margaret's Church

## Administrator

15 hours per week £13.50 per hour: £25,974 FTE pro rata

Could you be our new office administrator?

We are looking for someone who is organised, independent, has office management experience and who enjoys contact with people. This new part-time post comes at an exciting time as we grow our vision to serve our local community.

For further information and an application pack please email <a href="mailto:hr.stmagsips@gmail.com">hr.stmagsips@gmail.com</a> or leave a message on 07733 609661

Closing date for completed applications: Friday 5th January 2024 Interviews will take place in the Church Centre on: Friday, 12th January 2024

Please note that as part of our safer recruitment process for this role, the application form includes a personal confidential declaration to be signed and any job offer made will require a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check to be undertaken.









## World Day of Prayer



A global ecumenical movement of informed prayer and prayerful action

FIRST FRIDAY IN MARCH

URGENTLY NEEDED -IS THIS YOU?

## Sanctuary

#### MORE VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR THE SANCTUARY DAY CENTRE FOR IPSWICH ASYLUM SEEKERS

Hooray! The Day Centre is now open and has a Manager and a bunch of amazing volunteers but we need a few more! Can you help?
Can you offer a few hours a week or fortnight on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays in central Ipswich to talk about Ipswich life, help people with their English, encourage a bit of art?
Then we'd love to hear from you!

Email sanctuary@stmaryletower.org for more information from the Centre Manager







## **BLESSING JARS**

Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya
A great place to put your loose change in and say a
blessing at the end of the day.
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Christchurch Park

Meet by the benches near the mansion

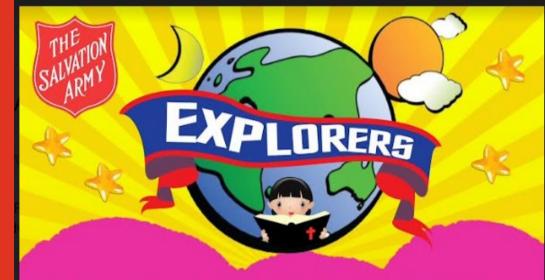
Free twice monthly walk to connect and share without fear or judgment

For details email mhmipswich@outlook.com or find us on Instagram:



mhmipswich mentalhealthmates www.mentalhealthmates.co.uk





THURSDAYS FROM 5-6:30PM 5-11 YEAR OLDS



£1 PER CHILD GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS, MESSY FUN, COMPETITIONS, PRAYERS, BIBLE STORIES, CHALLENGES, TUCK SHOP AND MORE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 07500058657 OR POP IN TO FELIXSTOWE SALVATION ARMY, COBBOLD ROAD, IP11 7EL



THE SALVATION ARMY IS A REGISTERED CHARITY IN ENGLAND (214779)

For 11-16 year olds



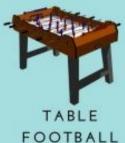
Tuesdays 15:30 - 17:30

## AT THE RUNWAY CAFÉ MARTLESHAM

## ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO IN THE AFTERNOON AFTER SCHOOL?













The Runway Cafe, attached to St Michael's Church, The Drift, Martlesham Heath, IP5 3PL

Affordable Food



Community

**Business And Service In Christ** 

The BASIC Life Charity Pop-Up Shop

St.Felix Church, Rendlesham

Every Tuesday 11am

All Welcome!

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Song Prayer



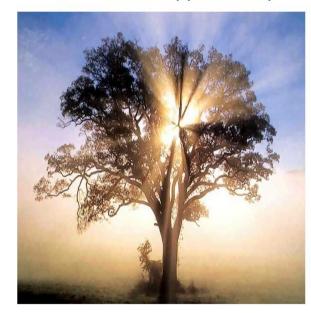
3pm every Second Sunday. All invited!

A time of worship, fellowship, and light refreshments.



#### Information Network

## Bereavement Support Group



Wednesday 8 November 13 December

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at **2.30pm**. If you would like more information or support please contact Kathy Blair



## RIVER OF LIFE CHURCH APP DOWNLOAD TODAY!



www.riveroflifechurch.net/hubb

https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/libya-floods-appeal



## OPEN DOOR

Coffee, tea, biscuits and friends

Friday morning
Drop in from
10:00am

At All Saints Church
Every Friday Morning



# Samaritan's Purse® Water Filter Project Offering

We usually take up a special offering this time of year for Samaritan's Purse Water Filter Project.

We have decided to move this offering to co-inside with World Water Day and the offering will therefore be on Sunday 24 March 2024.

If you would like to donate to this project beforehand, please visit: https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/water-sanitation-hygiene/resources/

"I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink" Matthew 25: 35



## **BOOST Primary School Chaplaincy**

We would ask for your prayers as the BOOST Trustees explore the possibility of appointing a voluntary part time chaplain to work in a local primary school. The role would be 2-3 hours per week based over a lunchtime through term time.

This venture will build on the excellent work of chaplaincy already at Felixstowe School. The volunteer chaplain would be accountable to, and receive support and training from, the BOOST Trustees, the BOOST Chaplain and the school involved.



We are excited about this possible new venture and ask that you continue with us in prayer so that we may be attentive to God's prompting and direction. If you would like to know more about the role please do get in touch via boostfelixstowechaplaincy@gmail.com











## CHURCHES THAT RUN ALPHA COURSES

HOPE CHURCH IPSWICH - www.hopeipswich.co.uk BURLINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH I IPSWICH Tel- 01473-259271
TRIMLEY ST MARTIN CHURCH Tel 01394-200406
ST JOHNS CHURCH WOODBRIDGE 01394-383162
COLCHESTER ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH IPSWICH -01473-290115
ST AUGUSTINES CHURCH - IPSWICH- 01473 723960
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Outreach



Our next outreach is at Leiston Co-op

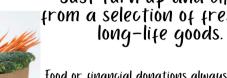
Saturday February 3rd

#### **OPEN EVERY** THURSDAY 9-11AM **ALL SAINTS CHURCH**



"ANYONE WHO HAS TWO SHIRTS SHOULD SHARE WITH THE ONE WHO HAS NONE. AND ANYONE WHO HAS FOOD SHOULD DO THE SAME" **LUKE 3:11** 

Free for anyone in need.
Just turn up and choose
from a selection of fresh and





Food or financial donations always welcome.

#### SHARING THE LOVE OF JESUS



We meet in St. Michaels Church

At 4pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month

This is a family worship with a difference, with activities for children and families including crafts, music, and games and a special tea for everyone.

We currently meet in St. Michaels Church ready to start at 4pm.

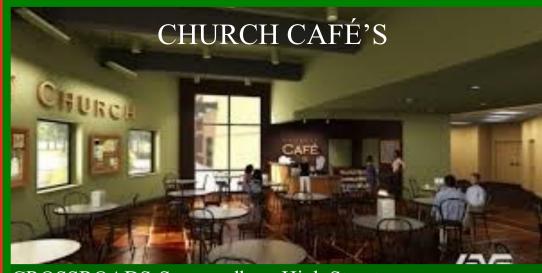
There will be a short time of worship as we begin Everyone is welcome; please let us know if you are planning to come so that there is plenty to eat.

#### For more information, or to tell us you are coming, please contact:

Revd. Mary Lamb, marylamb1952@googlemail.com

or Wendy Phelan on 01728 720125 or check details with the parish office ...framparish@gmail.com We have had great fun in the past and look forward to seeing old and new families.

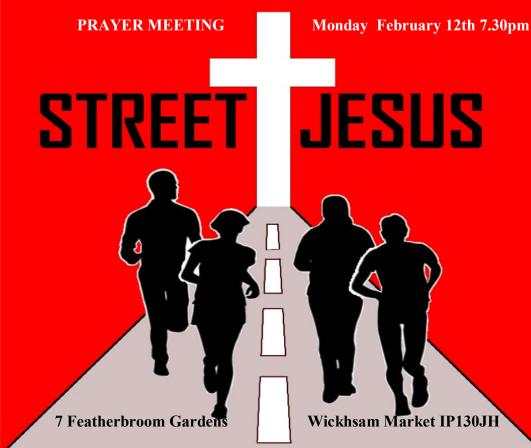




CROSSROADS-Saxmundham High Street THE RUNWAY-St Michaels and all Angels Martlesham OPEN DOORS -All Saints Wickham Market-Every Friday morning.

HUB COMMUNITY CAFÉ-St Johns Woodbridge - Every Monday morning 10-12





Gallery



Standing at the crossroads of a new year. Which way to God?

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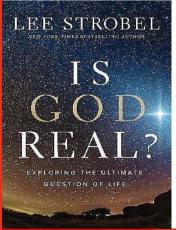


CD of the month

Healer

Casting crowns

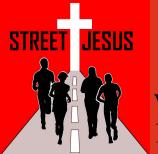
Book of the month



#### BOOK OF THE MONTH

It's no coincidence that one of the most asked questions on any search engine is: "Is God real?" When life feels overwhelming, we want to know if there really is a deity who loves us, knows us, and cares about what happens to us. Join investigative journalist and former atheist Lee Strobel on a quest to determine whether we can know with confidence that God is real. Lee Strobel's landmark book, *The Case for Christ*, is one of the most respected defenses of Christianity of all time. Now in *Is God Real?* Lee weaves together material from his previous books with the latest evidence from the most brilliant scientific and philosophical minds to answer the pressing questions on our hearts and minds.

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## Think tank on religion and society

www.theosthinktank.co.uk

Gatherings





## Bible reading

I hope you will put up with me in a little foolishness. Yes, please put up with me! <sup>2</sup> I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him. <sup>3</sup> But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ. <sup>4</sup> For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the Spirit you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough. I do not think I am in the least inferior to those "super-apostles." <sup>[a] 6</sup> I may indeed be untrained as a speaker, but I do have knowledge. We have made this perfectly clear to you in every way. <sup>7</sup> Was it a sin for me to lower myself in order to elevate you by preaching the gospel of God to you free of charge? <sup>8</sup> I robbed other churches by receiving support from them so as to serve you. <sup>9</sup> And when I was with you and needed something, I was not a burden to anyone, for the brothers who came from Macedonia supplied what I needed. I have kept myself from being a burden to you in any way, and will continue to do so. <sup>10</sup> As surely as the truth of Christ is in me, nobody in the regions of Achaia will stop this boasting of mine. <sup>11</sup> Why? Because I do not love you? God knows I do! <sup>12</sup> And I will keep on doing what I am doing in order to cut the ground from under those who want an opportunity to be considered equal with us in the things they boast about. <sup>13</sup> For such people are false apostles, deceitful workers, masquerading as apostles of Christ. <sup>14</sup> And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. <sup>15</sup> It is not surprising, then, if his servants also masquerade as servants of righteousness. Their end will be what their actions deserve.

2 Coprinthians 11:1-15

#### Prayer



Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on my life. You have provided me with more than I could ever have imagined. You have surrounded me with people who always look out for me. You have given me family and friends who bless me every day with kind words and actions.

Amen

#### Quote to note

Forgiveness is the giving, and so the receiving, of life.

George Mc Donald

## Please get involved

If you have a heart for sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others and would like to become involved with our project then please contact us for more information. If you would like us to promote any of your Church events we will do our best to include them in our e news. If you would like to contribute to e-news with any information or recommendations such as a book, music C D, film, article, a prayer, or a bible verse then please e mail us on streetjesus2012@ gmail.com.

Our next meeting will be on Monday January 22nd at 7.30

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#### THANK YOU!

Thank you for showing interest in the Street Jesus project. If you do not wish to receive our e news or would like more information about the project please e mail streetjesus 2012@gmail.com