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Street Jesus News:

Welcome to the January edition of our e-news.

We hope you have all had a very enjoyable Christmas and as we look to the new year we resolve to put into action that which Jesus came to earth for, to point people to Jesus and to love others to the glory of his kingdom. It is with sadness that we hear of the death of Bishop Desmond Tutu. I have read some reports on social media that have questioned his theology but there is no doubt that his love of Christ led him to stand up for social justice, not just in the fight against Apartheid but for the poor oppressed and marginalised in general. He cried tears of real sadness and laughed real tears of joy. Anyone who met him was truly inspired by him and he was a great encouragement to others. The encouragement of our brothers and sisters in whatever area of work we are called to do is so important.



We very much enjoyed our outreach at the Wickham Market Christmas market. It was a great day. £250 was raised for the Beehive and £22 for the Street Jesus coffers. We had a new range of bird nesting boxes donated by Ken Scott which were very popular. We gave out all our bibles and good news newspapers, some Gideon new testaments and psalms as well as other Christian literature. We had a number of conversations two of which were very Jesus focused and interesting. We have prayed for all those we engaged with. Unusually we had no prayer requests or pastoral issues. Each outreach is so very different and we never know what God is going to place before us on any given day. The free chocolates went down well as usual and our free Christmas music CD's were all snapped up. We had some great feedback from the organisers and the event was certainly very well organised. It was great to have All Saints church nearby with their stall some of whom dressed up in nativity costumes. Our next outreach will be in March with details to follow.



We have had some interest in the discipleship course we are hoping to run in the new year and although primarily for team members we would welcome anybody who is interested in this subject. We remember when this project was first laid on our hearts we had no real idea on how to proceed with street evangelism, there was no place that we were aware of who could disciple us. There was of course and a conversation with some Christian friends pointed us in the right direction. Its amazing what comes from seemingly random

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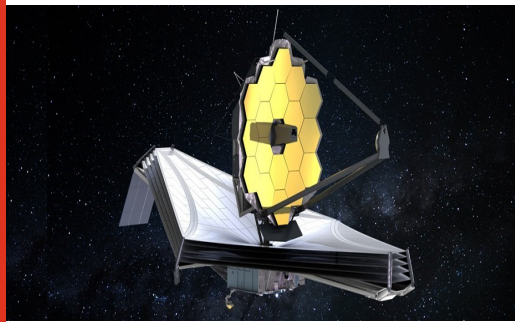


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Conversations but we know of course these are not just random and although we felt fortunate that we 'stumbled' across a group called Presence - Faith on the street who worked in Ipswich we also knew that God was giving us the resources we needed. Working with experienced evangelists gave us confidence to step out. This course is designed to help those who are engaged with or feel called to go out on the street as well as those with a general interest in discipleship. We are learning all the time on how best to approach certain situations, how best to share the love of Christ. We mention this because a couple of people I have spoken to recently felt they wanted to come out and do street work but felt nervous and ill equipped.



We recently had a talk in Church about how the people in biblical times



were deemed somewhat ignorant or backward compared to people today and yet those early civilisations made great progress in all sorts of areas. Some dismiss the bible as being written by primitives thus not worthy of consideration. Technical advances have been incredible in recent years to the point where we have recently launched the most

powerful telescope into space. This telescope has a range of around 1 million miles and its quest is to explore distant parts of space and collect light from distant galaxies to better understand how the universe came into being. The cost is around 30 million dollars and many ask the question—could this money be put to better use to tackle extreme poverty in the world. Mankind is still building its tower of Babel. As Christians we know that God created the heavens and the earth so this quest is futile, there is no scientific unified Theory of everything and we believe that our existence and purpose is better explained by the spiritual rather than the material.

As we pass the shortest day and the longest period of darkness we reach that time again where we look to a new year with renewed hope and optimism. Resolutions are made and often broken because our will is not always strong and although we are weak our God isn't. He is almighty and powerful and we know that whatever strength we may have, in truth it is given us as a gift of grace from God to whom we give all the glory. Our resolutions should be a daily rather than a yearly pledge, to draw closer to God and to share his love with all whom we come across in our daily lives. Let us pray for that energy and strength and let our light shine even in the darkest of days



One of the recurring themes on our facebook page is comment about people in the public eye who declare their faith in God. They seem to get a lot of criticism from other Christians either that their theology is wrong or their behaviour is un-Christlike. We tend to publish these articles at Street Jesus because to have celebrities declaring for Christ in the public arena is a positive thing in a world which increasingly rejects the whole idea of God. We are all on a journey of growing close to God and we know that God is working in people even before the point of being born again. Celebrities endure extreme scrutiny to which most of us are not. We all have moments where we are not very Christ like. Let's encourage everyone on their journey whether famous or not. God's Blessings for the year ahead. Graham



Worship

SUFFOLK COASTAL
RIVERSIDE CENTRE
STRATFORD ST ANDREW
No meeting in December or
January

MID SUFFOLK
STOWUPLAND VILLAGE HALL
Postponed until further notice

THE FILLING STATION

A new informal way of expressing
the Christian faith

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

IT'S ALL ABOUT

JESUS

YOXFORD VILLAGE HALL

Postponed until further notice

ALL WELCOME



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



Clare Priory Retreat

www.clarepriory.org.uk

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PRAYER
Every Tuesday
7pm
Kelsale Village Hall
IP172PB

Contact Paul or Mandy
Weekes on 01728-604053

Open to God Service

1st Sunday of the month at 6.30pm



www.avenueevangelicalchurch.org.uk

42 Warwick Ave
Woodbridge
01394 383479



Covid-Loss Support Group

A **FREE** 6 Week Support Group
exploring loss from Covid-19

Starting Thursday 13th January 2022 at 7pm-8.30pm at
Inspire Counselling and Training
The Fletcher Centre, Ipswich. IP1 2EX

**This group is for anyone who has
experienced loss of any kind such as the
loss of a job, the loss of health or loss
through death.**

For more information:

Phone: Inspire office on 01473 217694

Email: contact@inspirecounselling.org.uk



SUFFOLK
Community
Foundation

St John's Church
Prayer Morning
Saturday 8 January 2022



Loving God, Loving People, Sharing Jesus

St. John's
Woodbridge



because

He bends down to

listen

I will pray as long as I have

Breath

Psalm 116 verse 2

Wred.tv



MIE running group

We have had a mixture of people from MIE and from outside the church, and also a mix of Runners and non-runners. We start at 6.30pm on Monday evenings in St Johns car park, we warm up, have a run/walk session and a fun active game! We always finish with a thought from the Bible. Please continue to pray for this opportunity to reach out or why not invite a friend and come along
Tracey@mie.org.uk

Churches Together at Prayer

Monthly Prayer online
1st of each month at 7pm

Praying for
our world
each other
revival

Zoom Meeting ID: 819 191 3344

(for password email: lynspall@gmail.com)

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FOR THEIR CHRISTIAN MINISTRY TO
STUDENTS IN FARLINGAYE HIGH
SCHOOL. CAN YOU GIVE A HOUR OF
YOUR TIME EITHER TUESDAY OR
THURSDAY 1.00 TILL 2.00PM? PLEASE
CALL 07376 075021 FOR A CHAT**

**WORLD
praise
WEEKEND**



St Edmundsbury
Cathedral



26 and 27 February 2022

Workshop: Sing World Praise

Saturday 10 am – 1 pm

Concert: Zimbe!

Saturday 7 pm

Service: Kagera Praise

Sunday 5 pm



Mental Health Mates Ipswich



Christchurch Park

Meet by the benches
near the mansion

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

For details email
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or find us on Instagram:

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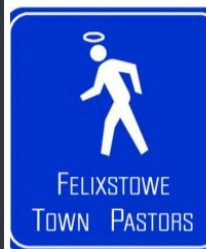
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www.mentalhealthmates.co.uk



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

Now Recruiting

- ☐ Post COVID, Felixstowe Town Pastors are about to restart patrolling on Saturday nights from 6.30-11.30 pm.
- ☐ If you'd like an application form, or to find out more, please contact Peter Livey :-
 - ☐ Email peterl.ftp@gmail.com
 - ☐ Telephone 07770 536988.
- ☐ We'd love to expand our volunteer team of Town Pastors (patrolling), Base-Prayers (supporting Town Pastor at our base), and Home-Prayers (praying for 1 hour at home)



ROCK church SUTTON HEATH

**It's church...
but not as you know it!**

**A relaxed time of discussion
& refreshments. All are welcome
- come with your questions**

On the first Sunday of each month
from 4:00 to 5:00pm in the
Barnsdale Centre, Sutton Heath

For more information, contact
Padre Trevor Homfray-Cooper on
07976203278 / padretrevorhc@gmail.com

Afternoon Praise

A lively and informal service for all ages.
Every other week beginning 19th September at St
John's Church, Woodbridge.

Doors open 3:45 for a 4:00pm start.
Drinks and cakes provided.

Everyone welcome!



For more information visit: www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk

St. John's
Woodbridge

*"Alpha is a way to explore what
we hunger after - meaning and
intimacy and relationship... In a
very non-pressed,
non-judgemental environment."*

*- Bear Grylls
host of "Man vs Wild".*

Alpha



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ST JOHNS CHURCH WOODBRIDGE 01394-383162
COLCHESTER ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH IPSWICH -01473-290115
ST AUGUSTINES CHURCH - IPSWICH- 01473 723960

Outreach

STREET JESUS



Our next outreach is likely to be in
early March and will be advertised in
the February issue of our newsletter



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.

To obtain a jar please e-mail
thepaellalady@gmail.com or
Pam@jenkins-net.co.uk



Leiston Town Pastors are seeking to recruit Christian Church members to their teams. The roles are: Town Pastor - Patrolling the town in pairs between 9.00pm and 12.00am on a Friday evening. Base Prayer - In a team of two, supporting the pastors with prayer, refreshment and coordination from our operating base in the town centre. Home Prayer - Supporting the work with prayer for one hour, at home whilst the pastors are on patrol. This work is rewarding, fulfilling and appreciated by the public and statutory agencies For more information please contact: Leiston Town Pastors Tel: 07804 004669 Email: LeistonTP@gmail.com or speak with a member of your church who is already involved with Town Pastors

The
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Life Charity



The **BASIC** Life Charity
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Come along to



2 Carr Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2FS

Friday Mornings at 11.00 am

AFFORDABLE FOOD

Fill a bag for £2.

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SOUTHGATE church presents

**An Evening with Graham Kendrick
& his band at The Apex, Bury St Edmunds –
Tuesday 15th February 2022**

With his last two appearances both sell-outs, this is an evening of praise and worship with Britain's premier Christian singer/songwriter - with over a thousand songs to his name.

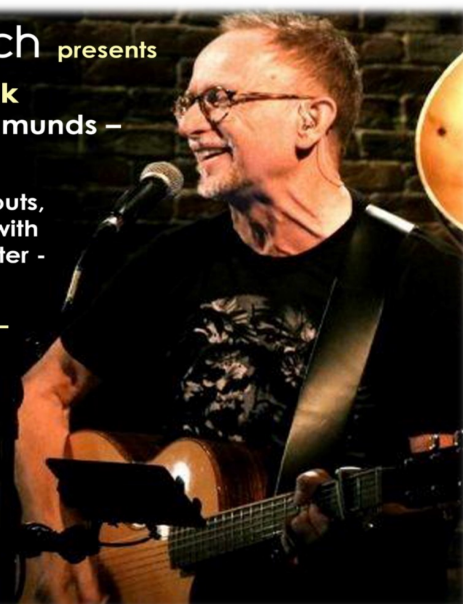
This is an event you will not want to miss – book early to avoid disappointment.

Starts: 7.30pm. Tickets: £18 + booking fee

Box office – 01284 758000

or www.theapex.co.uk/whats-on

This is a fundraiser for the Bury Drop-In for homeless people, & Faith in Action – working with the poorest people in the world in Malawi and Mozambique.



BUZZ KNITS Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya
www.facebook.com/buzzknits

CHURCH CAFÉ'S



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

24/7prayer.com

Lectio 365– A daily devotional



PRAYER MEETING

Monday February 14th 7.30pm

STREET JESUS



7 Featherbroom Gardens

Wickham Market IP130JH

Gallery



Denise and Mike stop for a photo while setting up the stall for the Wickham Market Christmas market.

CD of the month

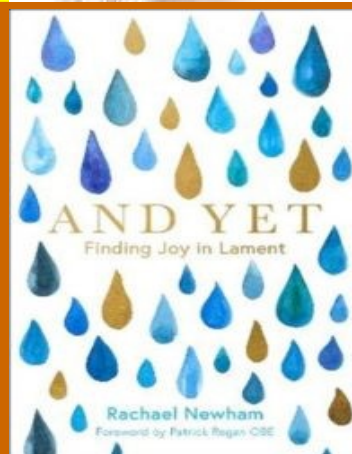


CD of the month

My Saviour

Carrie Underwood

Book of the month



BOOK OF THE MONTH

If you're looking for a book to help you explore lament, pain, suffering and darkness in an accessible but theologically-rich way, this is the one. It's not been written specifically as an Advent devotional, but the six chapters follow the liturgical year – starting with Advent then Christmas, Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Time – so to read it during Advent would be highly appropriate. I love Rachael Newham's warm style, dotted with anecdotes from her own experience, connecting with us in our hard times, and deeply persuading us that lament has an important role to play in life and faith.. Practising lament can be spiritually powerful and enhances our connection with what is happening in the world.

Facebook



If you would like to join our facebook page

www.facebook.com/groups/1246450225452294

'THEOS'

Think tank on religion and society

www.theosthinktank.co.uk

Gatherings



New Wine July 23rd– August 3rd 2022

www.new-wine.org

Spring Harvest April 9th –17th 2022

www.springharvest.org

Big Church day out June 3rd-4th 2022

www.bigchurchdayout.com

Keswick July 16th-August 5th 2022

Keswickministries.org

Greenbelt August 26th-29th 2022

www.greenbelt.org.uk

Word Alive April 9th-14th 2022

www.wordaliveevent.org

Dauids tent August 26th-29th 2022

www.davidstent.net

Hillsong Conference July 27th-29th

2022 www.hillsong.com

Newday August 20th-22nd 2022

www.newday.co.uk

We Support



Beehiveafrica.org

Bible reading

Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. You used to live in sin just like the rest of the world obeying the devil— the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the heart of those who refuse to obey God. All of us used to live that way following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to Gods anger just like everyone else. But God is so rich in his mercy and he loved us so much that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead (It is only by Gods grace that you have been saved) For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Jesus Christ. So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealthy of his grace and kindness toward us as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. God saved you by his Grace when you believed. And you cant take credit for this as it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done so none of us can boast about it. For we are Gods masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus so that we can do the good things that we planned long ago.

Ephesians 2:1-10

Prayer

Thank you

Thankyou

For all your gifts Lord
For your creation and the sun and
rain that give life and growth
For health and strength
For our homes family and friends
For our Church and worship
For every chance to serve you
For Jesus Christ
and what he has done for us
Amen

Quote to note

“There comes a point where we need to stop just pulling people out of the river. We need to go upstream and find out why they’re falling.”
Bishop Desmond Tutu

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 10th January at 7.30 pm. At 7 Featherbroom Gardens Wickham Market IP130JH

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 streetjesus2012@gmail.com