

E News September 2023

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Street Jesus News: Welcome to the August edition of our e-news.

We hope you are all enjoying the summer months despite the rather wet weather of late. Street Jesus team were out in force for the Wickham market summer market. We were in a very buoyant frame of

mind, excited to be out sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. There was lots of fun and laughter with one man asking if we had been drinking which reminded us of the scriptures in Acts 2 on the very first Pentecost when the Holy spirit fell on those present so powerfully that some felt they might be drunk. We had lots of good conversations in a very general way but not so faith focused as on our previous outreach at Ipswich music day. We went



through 'Jesus at the door' with three Christians who were interested in what it was all about. Four other people engaged with the pictures who listened intently and thanked us for explaining it. The tricky area



is when using the rucksacks to explain human sin. Usually when we ask which ruck sack people would like to carry they obviously choose the light one with the sponges in which represent the fruit of the spirit rather than the heavy one carrying the stones of sin. But one young man said he preferred to carry the heavy one as it would keep him fit. Taken by surprise at first as this had not happened before we were able

to go on and speak about the effects of sin such as anxiety depression, anger guilt, jealousy, bitterness and asked again if he would like to carry those burdens within himself. Understandably he was not so keen. When we speak of personal hurts there is often an emotional response.

We had one very significant contact with a lady with whom we had built up a humorous relationship throughout the day beginning with our

routine sharing of chocolates. We always feel privileged when people feel they can trust us with something so personal.

We invite all those who show a genuine interest in learning more about Jesus to our Wednesday evening seekers group. If you to know of anyone who are curious about the Christian faith and want to know more please give them our contact details.



We were able to pray for two people, one with a damaged ankle, the other who was in extreme pain and awaiting a hip replacement operation which had been cancelled twice. We also received encouragement from someone who worked for a large uk wide evangelical outreach organisation. Its always nice to be affirmed in the work we do but we realise this is not essential, we work not to receive Mutleys medal but rather to be obedient to the God who loves us



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beyond our human understanding. Christian literature was taken, £52 was raised for the Beehive children's foundation and £7 for Street Jesus. Our next outreach is at Trinity park car boot sale in Ipswich on Sunday September 17th. Our grateful thanks to all the organisers of the summer market who did such a great job.

We are having some great conversations at our Wednesday evening Seekers group meetings. One of our conversations centred around Gods grace with forgiveness being part of that. The question of the convicted child killer Lucy Letby came up and there is clearly a challenge

in the idea that she could be forgiven by God, despite what she has done. Its natural to believe that the punishment should fit the crime, that those who commit the most evil crimes are beyond redemption and forgiveness particularly where there seems to be no contrition. There is Gods judgement of course which we will all have to face because love cannot be served without justice. It is often said, when people come to Christ whilst in prison that it is not genuine, merely a ploy to convince the authorities that they are a changed person. But God knows every heart and knows if we are pretending. Jesus



challenges us about our personal sin and although we may not actually murder somebody our thought life when provoked may contain murderous thoughts. Certainly we all experience anger and anger can be the seed of murder. We grade sins according to severity. Jesus points out the seed of our sin. Gods grace seems scandalous in this sense but it is available for us all and there is no person who cannot be redeemed and transformed by him. .

GOD'S GRACE

Another discussion was dedicated to illness and by implication healing. We looked at the various factors that cause illness and it was quite a long list. We concluded that many were a result of lifestyle and powerful commercial forces. We made

the link between mind and body and how certain mindsets will impact on our physical health and that physical disease can effect our mental and emotional health. The attitudes we express can influence recovery. We can add spiritual into that mix. From a Christian perspective illness is a result of the fall because God created humans to commune with him in his spirit, for his pleasure and ours but we were persuaded to worship ourselves instead, the effects of which have tumbled down the generations and manifest itself often in ill health. We know that Jesus has immense healing power and as believers he has given us the authority to do the same. Its true that not all people are healed physically whom we minister to, or pray for but the very act of faith has healing and spiritual power and allows us to grow closer to God.

With Pride week just passed and the Church of England allowing same sex blessings the subject of human sexuality has gained prominence in the media and church settings in recent times. LGBT pressure groups have gained traction in the commercial world, in public service organisations and in government circles in order to further their equalities agenda and drive toward further acceptance. Despite the fact that homophobia still exists our culture is much more excepting of LGBT people. The biblical text clearly states that homosexuality is a sin and some Christians argue that these texts were indicative of the culture at that time but do not relate to faithful same sex relationships today. Biblical literalists argue against Biblical cherry pickers and the Church of England has embarked on the process of living in love and faith to help resolve the issue.. Whatever our viewpoint we remember that our central identity is In Christ rather than our sexuality, whatever it may be and that we are all called to humility rather than pride. Blessings to you all



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...

Awaiting details of next meetings

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

Guest Speakers visiting soon:

Thursday 25th May Fran Nguyen Missionary and Trauma counsellor

Thursday 22nd June Tom Boswell Pioneer Minister at SKC church

Thursday 13th July

Worship, food and testimonies!

Everyone is Welcome

https://thefillingstation.org.uk/



New ALPHA course Starts 27 September 2023 7pm in St John's Church St John's Hill, Woodbridge IP12 1HS



Vicar: Rev Charles Trefusis Tel:01394 383162 email: info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk



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



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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





Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride



Suffolk Historic Churche Trust

Saturday, 9 September 2023 9.00am - 5.00pm

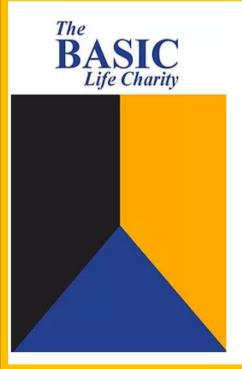


Visit shct.org.uk for more information. You can also find us on Facebook and Twitter.

Sponsorship money raised will be divided between Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the church or chapel chosen by the participant.

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

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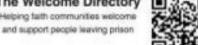
The Welcome Directory is a directory of faith communities in England and Wales who are committed to welcoming and appropriately supporting people who have left or are leaving prison, and is available on-line and in printed format. It enables prison chaplains, probation workers, other professionals, and 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

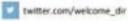
Note: Our faith community has a safeguarding policy which ensures that all safeguarding risks are managed appropriately.

The Welcome Directory Helping faith communities welcome





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Pub Theology

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

> Fortnightly on Sundays following Evensong



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Dora Brown

Dora Brown are a team of volunteers who transform peoples homes free of charge and for those who are in crisis. Homes that have broken down for a variety of reasons.



Framlingham Churches Prayer Day

The Churches in Framlingham are holding a Day of Prayer in the meeting room at Castle Community Rooms on Saturday 16thSeptember, from 6.00am to 11.00pm for anyone to come and pray about any aspect of life, whether it is personal or worldwide. Everyone is welcome to attend at any time. All churches are taking part, and volunteers to be part of the hosting team would be appreciated. Please contact Edith, (edithpeck@yahoo.com) or Elske Jenkins(elskejenkins@hotmail.co.uk) if you might be interested







Less income and your finances feeling out of control? ...

then the free CAP Money Course is for you.

The Suffolk Coastal Debt Centre is running an online 3-session course on money management, beginning on Monday 16 January 2023 at 10.45am. This will be run in St John's Old Vicarage, St John's Hill Woodbridge, IP12 1HS.

You draw up your own budget and set up a money management system that takes away the stress of wondering how much you dare spend and helps you to feel in control.

The course is devised by the award-winning *Christians Against Poverty* and delivered by local trained money coaches who give you tools to make important decisions about your finances.

To apply for this free online course email Bob Huddlestone boblizh@gmail.com or text to 07754 048056 by 15th January 2023



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Quiet Garden Days in Brightwell

The Quiet Garden Movement flows from the example of Jesus's withdrawal to natural places to pray and his invitation, *Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest'* (St Mark's Gospel 6.31).

Slow down. Take time out. Breathe deeply.

Quiet Gardens provide hospitality and a safe, quiet space for coming home to yourself, for spiritual contemplation and reflection. If this is something that would appeal to you the following dates are available to book:

Tuesday May 9th, Thursday June 29th, Thursday July 27th Thursday August 24th and Thursday September 21st 2023

A light lunch is provided with the day running from 10am to 3pm. Booking is essential as numbers are very limited. The garden has many steps and slopes, but plenty of seats.

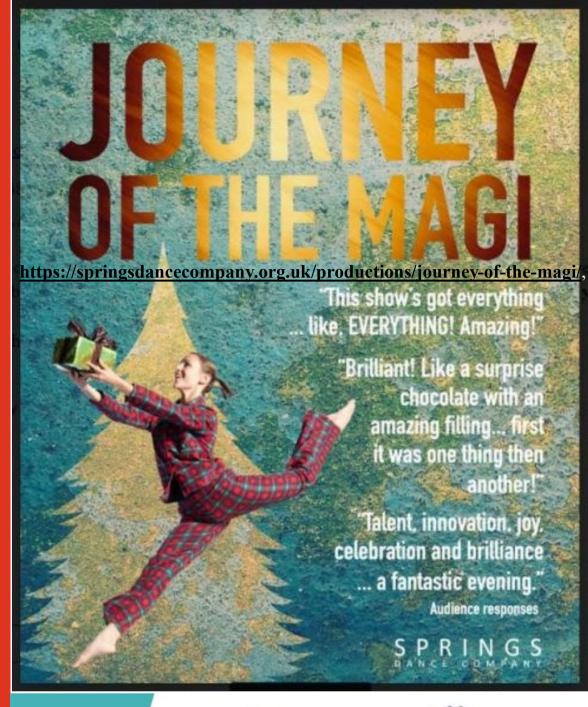
A voluntary donation to cover costs is suggested.

To book: email dairyfarmquietgarden@gmail.com
or speak to Bob James on 07921919651 or to Julia Lincoln in person.

Lynne and Bob James and Julia Lincoln



- Sunday, 10 September 2023
- 11:00am 1:00pm
 Woodbridge Quay Church



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





ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE WALK



TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GRACE OF IPSWICH Sunday 3rd September 2023 Starting at 3.00pm

From St Peter's Church on the Quay (IP4 1BF) via Lady Lane (The original site of the shrine) to the shrine in St-Mary-at-the-Elms (IP1 1EY)

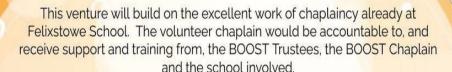
All are welcome at this ecumenical event

- The pilgrimage route planned by Cardinal Wolsey
- . The Shrine was once second in England only to Walsingham



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.





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





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Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya
A great place to put your loose change in and say a
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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 2022/2023

May 18th Suffolk Mind Greencare Project (Mental Health Awareness Week) Wendy Sheppard, Corporate Manager for Suffolk Mind

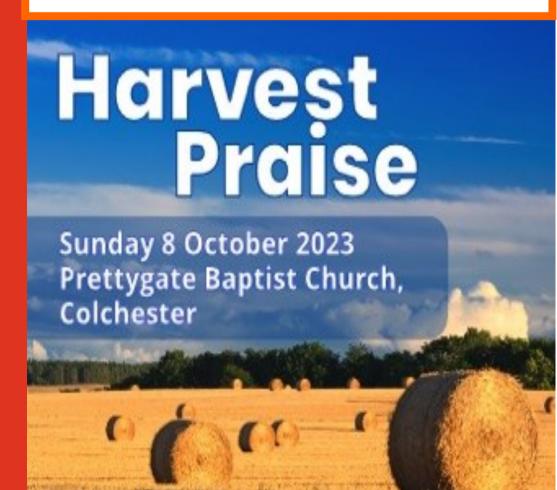
May 25th The Magic of Music

Vocal Group Musicology, led by Lisa Cheadle

Forum takes a break now till October

Oct 5th Amnesty International

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



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Christchurch Park

Meet by the benches near the mansion

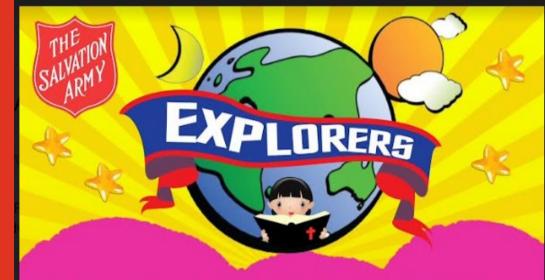
Free twice monthly walk to connect and share without fear or judgment

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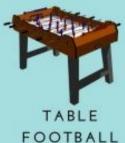
Tuesdays 15:30 - 17:30

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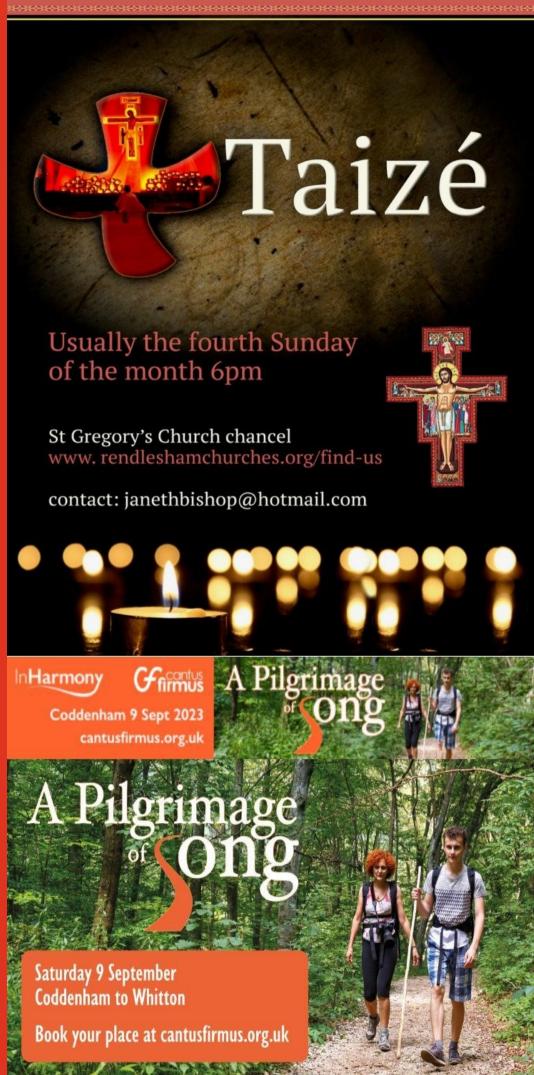
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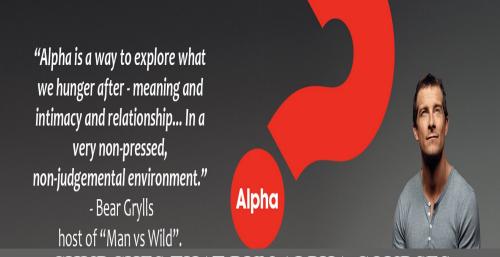
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Song Prayer Silence

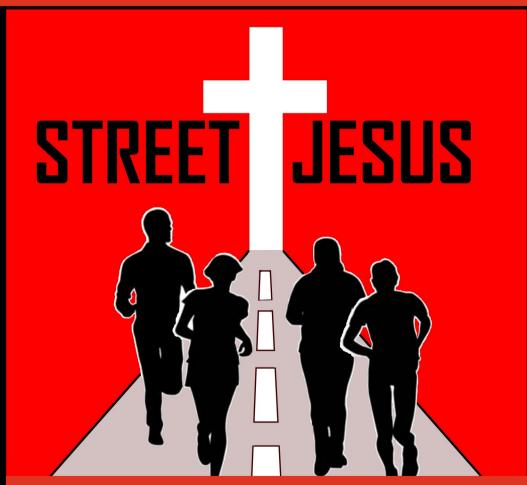




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Outreach



Our next outreach is at Trinity park car boot sale Ipswich on Sunday 17th September



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Welcome to Alive@4

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

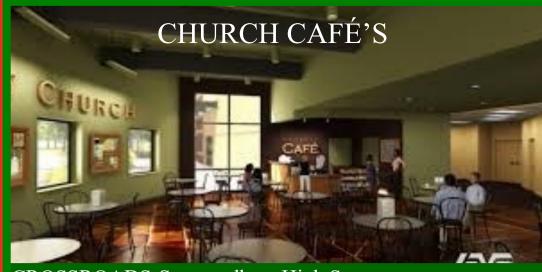
Everyone is welcome; please let us know if you are planning to come so that there is plenty to eat.

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.

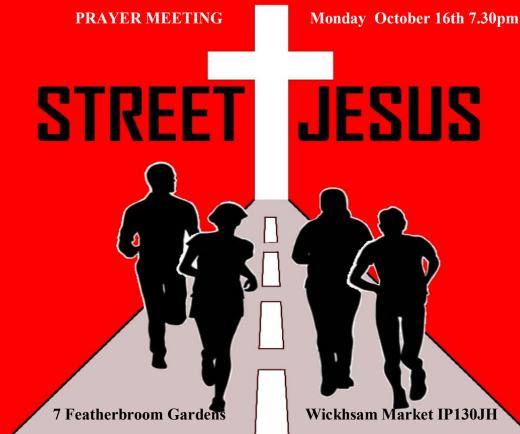




CROSSROADS-Saxmundham High Street THE RUNWAY-St Michaels and all Angels Martlesham OPEN DOORS -All Saints Wickham Market-Every Friday morning.

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



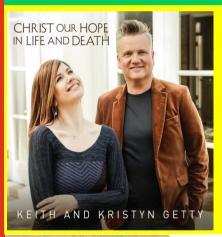


Gallery



Street Jesus team in cheerful mood, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ at the Wickham market, Summer market 2023

CD of the month



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Christ our hope in life and death.

Keith & Kristyn Getty

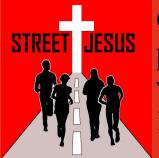
Book of the month



BOOK OF THE MONTH

we look for this one to be packed full of goodness and satisfaction. As a release and relief to the rigours and horrors of the here and now, a present day heaven would be a first choice if it weren't so unimaginable. This longed for, already tasted, sometimes-held-sometimes-lost rightness of life is the Kingdom of Heaven. When the Kingdom is experienced, we usually know it and appreciate it, even though we can't always define it or recognise its source. We know the feel of its breeze on our skin, naked and not ashamed. The Kingdom of God is it. It's what we are all longing for, deep down: every human being on the planet. It is the way that we were always meant to live, our default culture. This Kingdom of Heaven has always been the number one plan for the earth and its I

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Gatherings

New Wine July 25th—August 30th 2023 www.new-wine.org Spring Harvest April 10th –14th 2024 www.springharvest.org Big Church day out May 25th –26th 2024 www.bigchurchdayout.com Keswick July 13th-August 2nd 2024 Keswickministries.org Greenbelt August 22nd -25th 2024 www.greenbelt.org.uk Word Alive April 2nd-7th 2024 www.wordaliveevent.org Davids tent August 23rd-26th 2024 www.davidstent.net ong Conference July 9th-11th 2023 www.hillsong.com Newday July 29th-August 2nd 2024 www.newday.co.uk



Bible reading

I have seen another evil under the sun, and it weighs heavily on mankind: God gives some people wealth, possessions and honour, so that they lack nothing their hearts desire, but God does not grant them the ability to enjoy them, and strangers enjoy them instead. This is meaningless, a grievous evil. A man may have a hundred children and live many years; yet no matter how long he lives, if he cannot enjoy his prosperity and does not receive proper burial, I say that a stillborn child is better off than he. It comes without meaning, it departs in darkness, and in darkness its name is shrouded. Though it never saw the sun or knew anything, it has more rest than does that man even if he lives a thousand years twice over but fails to enjoy his prosperity. Do not all go to the same place? All people live their lives scratching for food but they never seem to have enough. So are wise people really better off than fools. Do poor people gain anything from being wise. And knowing how to act in front of others. Enjoy what you have rather than desiring what you don't have. Just dreaming about nice things is meaningless like chasing the wind. Everything has already been decided. It was long go what each person would be so there is no good arguing with God about your destiny. The more words you speak the less they mean. So what good are they. In the few days of our meaningless lives who knows how our days can be spent. Our lives are like a shadow. What will happen on the earth after we have gone.

Ecclesiastes 6:1-12

Prayer

Remember me "I pray, Father, that I may grow in your faith and love through good times and bad. Lord, you are closer to me than my own breathing, nearer than my hands and feet." "O Lord, you know how busy must be this day. If I forget you, do not forget me." Amen.

Quote to note

."What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God."—*Hans urs von Balthasar.*

Please get

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 AGM, meeting will be on Monday September 25th at 7.30 pm. At 7 Featherbroom Gardens Wickham Market

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 a gmail.com