



Bury St Edmunds Churches Together Prayer Sheet from August 2015.

*'He stayed there for two full years at his own expense, with a welcome for all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching the facts about the Lord Jesus Christ quiet openly and without hindrance.'*

Acts 28:30 - 31

Please pray for those affected by the shootings in America, France, Tunisia and the bombing of mosques, churches and groups.

Pray for those who are sick and in need of support, as well as those who care for them.

Christ Church would like prayer for people going to New Wine, that they will travel in safety and come home blessed; For the film club that replaces Sunday school for July & August; for clergy time off and a refreshing break for all.

Let us give thanks and praise for the Christian Aid appeal for this year. We collected £2,066 more than last year, with a grand total of £19,214.35. The Churches Together also raised over £2000 for the Kenya Education Project – which is fund-matched by the EU. Thank you to the generosity shown by all of those giving and pray that the work of all NGOs working across our world.

Praise for the exciting news from Matt and Beckie about the impact that BCY is having within our schools.

The Chaplaincy would appreciate prayers for Ian and family coping with the ill health of his mother in Wales. Also for Jean, with the death of my mother this week and need to travel to Florida to organize her funeral. Praises – the Chapel is being used more and more in the hospital, we thank God for people hearing about it and using the space to connect with Him and to find peace.

Please can you add the asylum seekers as they search for a safe place to rest – often taking life-threatening risks to get there.

Prayer required as part of the preparation for the new Drop In facility at Garland Street. Support – spiritual, financial and in volunteers – is warmly requested as the management group plans the way in which the scheme will work. The Drop In is hopefully the initial phase of the whole community working in partnership for the homeless and most vulnerable by offering food, practical support and fellowship.

Prayer for the continued success of the Advent Greetings between the different church communities – sharing and coming together in Christ.

Pray for the new church leaders in our town and local parishes.

Could we please thank the Lord that all the hard work done by the team has resulted in Bury becoming a Fair Trade Town? This is a fantastic result and we thank the Lord that Bury can now stand out to others as a town that cares for the needs of the world and we are doing what we can to improve the lives of those whose daily life is a struggle.

You may wish to visit our website: <http://together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/stedmundsbury/>.

If you have a subject needing prayer or something to offer in praise, please email Frances at [francesparr@btinternet.com](mailto:francesparr@btinternet.com). We produce a Prayer and Praise Sheet each month – and it is a great way to celebrate God's work as well as bringing attention to projects and services in your church.

Upcoming events for prayer and reflection:

Date	Church or Organiser	Prayer request- please hold these events in your prayers
5:30 06 Sept	Lounge Thomas Mundell	<i>A small group of 18-30 year olds from across west Suffolk/East Cambridgeshire area are really pleased to be able to announce that they will be opening up 'The Lounge' coffee shop in Bury St Edmunds from 5.30 -7.30 to meet other Christians in their age group whilst enjoying a coffee or milkshake in an informal and relaxed atmosphere.</i>
8 – 10 19 Sept	St Johns Church Adrian Mann	<i>Prayer Breakfast. All are invited to join and share in a time of fellowship and prayer.</i>
7:30 19 Sept	All Saints Beckie Pickering & BCY	<i>The Big Quiz – Come along and join the fun as well as raise awareness of the role of BCY and their youth work in our schools.</i>
5:30 04 Oct	Lounge Thomas Mundell	<i>A chance for 18 – 30s to meet other Christians in their age group whilst enjoying a coffee or milkshake in an informal and relaxed atmosphere.</i>
7:30 07 Oct	Just Traid Centre Andrew Soman	<i>BSE CT Committee Meeting – to which all are invited to attend.</i>
6:00 11 Oct	Christ Church Matt & Jonathan Ford	<i>25 years of Bury Youth for Christ 'All for love' – Gavin Calver, Director of Mission for the Evangelical Alliance, is the main speaker.</i>
6:30 14 Oct	Stowmarket Citadel	<i>Churches Together in Suffolk – a shared tea and meeting to which you are all welcome.</i>
5:30 01 Nov	Lounge Thomas Mundell	<i>A chance for 18 – 30s to meet other Christians in their age group whilst enjoying a coffee or milkshake in an informal and relaxed atmosphere.</i>
8 – 10 21 Nov	Hyndman Centre Malcolm Rogers	<i>Prayer Breakfast. All are invited to join and share in a time of fellowship and prayer.</i>
12 Nov	Apex Theatre Bob Jones & Southgate	<i>The Acoustic Gospels – An Evening with Graham Kendrick – In aid of Chaplain in the Workplace.</i>
29 Nov	Angel Hill Nick Alexander & St Peters plus Salvation Army	<i>Advent Service – a time to of preparation and worship at the beginning of the Advent season.</i>
16 Jan	St Georges Church Paul Tyler	<i>Week of Christian Prayer Service – led by Tony Rogers</i>