



'WHAT'S HAPPENING & PRAYER SHEET'

August-September 2020

"I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope." Psalm 130: 5.
"Pray constantly." 1 Thessalonians 5: 17.

DATES:

ALL SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS!

Churches Together Meeting and AGM is postponed to **Monday 12th October**.
It will be at **7.30pm** Venue to be arranged.

Churches Together late Summer Celebration is cancelled. We have a provisional date for **Sunday 27th June 2021** in The Abbey Gardens.

United Carol Service in December at the Cathedral or at Angel Hill. Date and venue to be arranged.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Launch service is arranged for **Sunday 17th January 2021** at **6.30pm** at Trinity Methodist Church, Brentgovel Street, Bury St. Edmunds IP33 1EB. Also at lunchtimes at various venues during the following week, to be arranged.

Bury Christian Youth 30th anniversary celebration hopefully on **Sunday 15th November**, to be confirmed.

Give thanks for all the new things happening at cross-church neighbourhood level, and 'on-line', growth in numbers and faith, and the extension of the Kingdom of God.

CORONAVIRUS: Pray for the controlling of the Coronavirus outbreak, healing for those ill, and comfort for those dying and those bereaved. Pray for the work to find a safe and effective vaccine. Pray for the NHS, Care-staff, and other key workers. Pray for Hospital Chaplaincy. Pray for local businesses and those who have lost their employment, home, relationships (and for the work of the Bury Drop-In).

Pray for the gradual lifting of restrictions, and those for whom this may bring fresh problems to face. Pray for schools re-opening (and the work of BCY).

Pray for Parliament to have integrity and God's guidance and over-ruling, and for peace and unity in our country, that as a Nation we will work together for the common good and for mutual respect.

PRAY for our churches, for pastoral care, neighbourhood concerns and gospel outreach, and Christian influence in national and local public life.
Please circulate this sheet in whatever way you can.

For more information about Churches Together see our web-site: [Churches Together in Bury St. Edmunds and District](#). For regular information about activities join our google group (instructions are on the web-site).

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SOME NEWS FROM CHURCHES: Thanks to so many churches for sending this information...

St Edmund's RC Church

Sunday Masses **BOOKING ONLY:** Saturday 18.00, Sunday 08.30 & 10.30.

To book go to www.stedmundkm.org.uk or phone 01284 754358

Weekday Masses: Mon 12.30; Tue 09.30; Wed 10.00; Thur 19.30; Fri 09.30; Sat 10.00.

Horringer Court Community Church can't yet, we meet in the middle school and need all restrictions lifted, probably, before we can return.

Southgate Church:

Southgate Church is not yet holding services at the Community Centre. We continue to meet via zoom. The situation is due to be reviewed at the end of September.

Southgate Church's website: southgatechurch.org.uk

North Bury Team & Lark Valley Churches

9.00am Parish Communion (BCP)

All Saints', Bury St Edmunds

9.30am Parish Communion (CW) No booking required **St George's, Bury St Edmunds**

11.00am Parish Eucharist (CW)

St John's, Bury St Edmunds

CHURCH ZOOM GATHERING: Everyone is welcome to join Church Zoom gathering at 11am on Sundays. Please email Claire for the link clairerose1953@gmail.com

OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St John the Evangelist, Bury St Edmunds

12noon-4pm daily

St Mary, West Stow 8.45-10.45am on Wednesdays and 9.15-11.15am on 1st and 3rd

Sundays. For access at other times contact Ian Hobleby (01284 728745) / Paul Luke (01284 729654)

Fornham All Saints opening between 9-10 and closing between 5-6. Hand sanitising, and names and contact details asked for. Movement around the church will also be limited.

St Andrew, Timworth

contact Alison Pettitt (01284 728379)

St Lawrence, Lackford

contact Harry Lidster (01284 728876)

Fornham St Martin contact Beryl Dykes (01284 704109) or David Yates (01284 705157)

St George, Bury St Edmunds

contact the Revd Val Gagen (01284 361963)

All Saints, Bury St Edmunds

open for worship only

St Mary, Culford and St Catherine, Flempton closed at present -contact numbers in porch

The Cathedral:

The Cathedral is open for private prayer from 10 am to 4 pm Mondays to Saturdays.

Weekday Eucharists Tuesdays at 12.30 pm Healing Eucharist Wednesdays at 1.00 pm

BCP Communion Thursdays at 12.30 pm Eucharist with Silent Meditation

No need to book for these weekday services. Please let the steward know that you wish to attend and they will direct you to the appropriate chapel. You will need to give your name and phone number to the Verger on duty for NHS Test and Trace.

Sunday services 8.00 am BCP Holy Communion 11.00 am CW Eucharist

Due to restrictions on the numbers able to attend, you must pre-book a place at these

Sunday services. Please email cathedralinvitations@stedscathedral.org **by lunchtime**

on Friday. You will hear on Friday if you have been allocated a space for the coming Sunday.

All worshippers are requested to wear a face covering when attending a service. We request that you follow the directions given with regard to maintaining social distancing and hand sanitising. We continue to livestream services via the Cathedral's Facebook page including 11 am Eucharist and 3.30 pm Evening Prayer on

Sundays <https://www.facebook.com/stedscathedral>

Garland St. Baptist Church:

We are not opening for physical services yet but we're working towards September.

We have had online messages each week on YouTube and our church website. There is a link on Nextdoor (and Facebook), feel free to share the link with others.

The Salvation Army is not re-opening for services at the moment.

St Mary's & St. Peter's.

St Mary's is open every day, Monday to Saturday 1030 to 1230 for private prayer
St Mary's - service of Holy Communion on Sundays at 1630. Booking not necessary.
St Peter's - service of Holy Communion on Sundays at 1500. Booking not necessary.
St Mary's and St Peter's hold live Daily Prayer on Facebook daily, Sunday to Saturday, at 0930.

St Mary's and St Peter's hold a live Zoom interactive worship service every Sunday, at 1100. Details of all the above on our website at www.wearechurch.net/services.

Christ Church, Moreton Hall:

We have been open for 1 hour every Sunday 3-4pm since the beginning of August - booking is required.

From 6th Sept we are hoping to have a Monthly said communion at 8:30 am and a "normal service" at 10:30am every Sunday. Booking will be required in both cases!

West Road Church and Westley Community Church

There are no physical services, as yet. Social distancing would be difficult and we didn't want to limit/ration services. West Road Church and Westley Community Church are still meeting every Sunday morning "virtually." We haven't got any imminent plans to start to meet again in person. We have three Alpha courses each year, and the next starts on Monday 14th September at 7.30 pm. To start with, at least, it will take place over Zoom. Contact Graham Jack graham@westroadchurch.org.uk or look on the West Road Church website (www.westroadchurch.org.uk)

Trinity Methodist Church

Trinity is opening initially on the first Sunday of the month and people will need to phone in to book a seat as we are limited on the numbers that we can allow in the sanctuary. Details will be put on the Trinity Methodist Website.

Whepstead Baptist Church:

Services every Sunday at 11.00, through August in the churchyard, moving inside when the weather dictates. Just hand sanitiser and contact details before the service are required.

In Horringer Benefice: there is a lot of paired prayer by phone/in gardens, and our usual pastoral care. Some Sunday services (Morning Prayer) are at Brockley (9.30), Whepstead (10.00). No plans, as yet, to have services at Horringer or Westley.

Quakers

Online Zoom worship meetings are Sundays at 10:30 and Wednesdays at 7:30pm.
We have restarted meetings for worship in the Meeting House on Sundays at 10:30 and Tuesday lunchtimes at 1:00 with full Covid precautions and limited numbers, Contact our warden, Gabrielle, bse.quakerwarden@gmail.com to come. From next Sunday 30th August, then fortnightly we will be holding a blended meeting for worship on Sundays at 10:30 where those online are able to join with those in the Meeting House. On alternate Sundays, we will continue to hold separate online and Meeting House meetings, joining at the end for greetings and notices. Details at <https://burystedmundsquakers.org/forthcoming-events/>