



'WHAT'S HAPPENING & PRAYER SHEET'

March - April 2021

“But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” Acts 6:4.

**“Those who were scattered went about preaching the Word...” Acts 8:4.
“...and there was much joy.” Acts 8:8.**

COMING UP:

PRAYER MORNING Saturday 20th March on 'Zoom' 10.30 – 11.30 am.

'Zoom' link to follow.

We now have permission to put up a **large wooden cross on Angel Hill for Easter**. It will be there from Friday 26th March until Tuesday 5th April. Perhaps, like last year we can encourage each other to put a cross in our window or garden to witness to Jesus over Easter w/e.

CHURCHES TOGETHER MEETING Monday 26th April 7.30.pm. on 'Zoom' – link to follow.

'Share and Study' Groups in May on 'Zoom' - to be arranged.

DATES AHEAD:

ALL SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE RESTRICTIONS....

CHURCHES TOGETHER SUMMER CELEBRATION provisionally **Sunday 27th June 2021** in The Abbey Gardens. (afternoon).

CHURCHES TOGETHER MEETING AND AGM Monday 12th July 7.30.pm at Trinity Methodist Church. Venue to be confirmed, and agenda to follow.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE EVENTS LISTED ABOVE!

Give thanks for all the new things happening at cross-church neighbourhood level, and 'on-line', growth in numbers and faith, and the growth 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 vaccination programme. Pray for those for whom restrictions bring particular problems. Pray for the NHS, Care-staff, and other key workers. Pray for local businesses and those who have lost their employment, home, relationships.

Pray for schools, and for students, and others away from home.

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 with mutual respect.

PRAY for our churches, for gospel outreach, pastoral care, and neighbourhood concerns, 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). HC.

Some Encouragements and Concerns from Churches:

The Cathedral sent a list of their services which is on their web-site.

Christ Church Moreton Hall up-date:

prayers for CCMH

1 Plans for coming out of lock down

2 The safe return of all the groups who use and hire our building

3 That our rainbow appeal will engage the whole estate (March as a month of thanksgivings and remembrance to mark 1 year of the pandemic)

4 Thanksgiving for all our faithful servant leaders - Sunday school and youth work

5 Preparation supporting 'Thy Kingdom Come: Ascension to Pentecost' 13th- 23rd May.

6 Preparation for supporting Christian Aid 9th to 15th May.

From Southgate Church:

Rev Mike Simm, and his wife Sarah, will move into our area on the 23rd of April and he will be starting his Ministry on the 18th of April. It will be good to pray for them as they settle into their new neighbourhood and surrounding area.

Thank you.

A Celebration of Ministry with the institution, licensing and installation of Revd. Mike Simm as Minister of Southgate Church with the Bishop of Dunwich and the Archdeacon of Sudbury on Sunday April 18th 2021 at 10.30am

All Saints, Bury -

For prayer - that the right person will respond to our advert for a new Team Rector so that the post can be filled soon.

Thank you.

From **St George's**

One of our biggest concerns is how we minister to children in these Covid times.

Blessings.

From St. Mary's, Bury: here is our piece for the prayer sheet.

- Item for prayer – A new support group for our 20's-30's.

For St Peter's: -

- Item for concern – that people stay safe during this new lockdown and that families find ways to engage with the church family and spiritually.

In Horringer Benefice: Sunday services are happening at all our Benefice churches. We are thankful too for continuing shared prayer and 'Zoom' meetings with other Christians across our villages.

One of our prayer needs is for the present 'inter-regnum', and the likely appointing of a new Rector.