



'WHAT'S ON & PRAYER SHEET'

August - September '23.

"Seek the welfare of the [town] where I have sent you, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare, you will find your welfare." [Jeremiah 29: 7.]

"Pray without ceasing... preach the gospel.... don't be ashamed."

[1 Thess. 5:17; Mark 16:15; Rom. 1:16.]

Coming Up:

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER MORNING: Saturday 2nd September

– venue and timing is yet to be arranged.

CHURCHES TOGETHER MEETING and AGM: Monday 18th September at 7.30pm. The venue is yet to be arranged.

Date ahead: Sunday 10th December Churches Together Advent / Christmas Event in the Cathedral, at 6.30 pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR, AND SUPPORT, THE EVENTS LISTED ABOVE, and those involved in leading them.

Please also pray, specifically, for the appointing of a new Chair for Churches Together.

PRAY for all our Churches in their regular activities; for gospel outreach, pastoral care, and neighbourhood concerns, and Christian influence in local life.

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

Pray for the managing of the effects of climate change, for fair handling of the cost-of-living, and for energy supplies, and for national security, for public and emergency services.

PRAY especially for churches running **Special Summer events** and for **(school) holidays: safety, rest and refreshment** over the next few weeks.

The Churches Together Weekly Column in the Bury Free Press

Please pray for the writers, editors and readers of this weekly column. This brings the Christian message to our community. Let me know (corbell.hm@gmail.com) if you would like to join the rota, and which Churches Together affiliated Church/Organisation you are part of. Thanks to all involved.

PLEASE CIRCULATE THIS SHEET IN WHATEVER WAY YOU CAN.

For more information about Churches Together see our website:

together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/stedmundsbury

For regular information about activities join our google group (instructions are on the web-site). Still many people in our churches say they don't know about our activities!

– please recommend that they join the google group for themselves.

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SOME ENCOURAGEMENTS, NOTICES AND PRAYER REQUESTS FROM CHURCHES / ORGANISATIONS:

FROM CHRIST CHURCH, MORETON HALL:

Sunday Services

6th August 8.30 a.m. – Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. – Family Service
13th August 10.30 a.m. – Family Service
20th August 10.30 a.m. – Family Communion Service
27th August 10.30 a.m. – Family Service

Prayer meetings will be on Wednesday evenings, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th August
Home Groups will meet on Thursdays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st August.

Food Bank

A huge thank you to all of you for your generous support of the food bank. It has been good to partner with Sybil Andrews Academy who have contributed a significant amount of food to go the Storehouse. Please, if you can, continue to bring food throughout August as many children will not have access to school meals during the holidays and we want to help those families in need as much as we can.

Notices for September

15th September 10:30am Stay & play restarts.

17th September 4:00pm Kids' Church restarts.

30th September – 1st October Christ Church, Moreton Hall, will be forty years old. Information to follow soon.

FROM BRIDGE & WESTLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

David writes that activities are currently cut back slightly so that all the church staff and youth workers have a break for rest and restoration ready for the next year.

FROM SOUTHGATE CHURCH:

PRAY for Sizewell Christian camps, to which several of the young people are going.
Also for the Church's Summer Holiday Club, for the children (families) and Leaders.
The Holiday Club runs from Tuesday 22nd to Friday 25th August, 10am to 12noon daily.

FROM ST GEORGE'S CHURCH:

The St George's (Anselm Avenue) craft group meet in the Lady chapel on the 1st Monday of August, 7th...from 930-11.30am. Anyone is welcome to join for coffee and a chat, with or without a craft.
We are also planning a concert with the Mead Singers, one Sunday afternoon in September, with details yet to be finalised.
But we have set a date ahead for our Macmillan Coffee morning on Monday 30th October...please make a note of the date in your diaries now.

A new Chaplain of the Air Cadets in Bury St Edmunds is being sought, as Val Gagen is retiring from that role. It doesn't need to be an ordained person. This usually involves visiting them at their base in Newmarket Rd. 2 or 3 times a month.

If anyone among Churches Together is interested please contact either myself, or Val Gagen.

Please continue to pray for all our regular inter-church organisations and projects:

The Bury Drop-In, the Bury Town Pastors, the W.S. Hospital Chaplaincy, Bury Christian Youth, and others.

Do ask, if you would like more details about any of the above. Heather Corbell:
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