



Bury St Edmunds Churches Together Prayer Sheet for June 2017.

"For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose." Phil 2 v 13

Please pray for:

Christ Church Moreton Hall:

Christ Church gives thanks for the blessings of the Novena prayer times and also for the work of our Parish Nurse, Lesley.

We pray for:

- the group planning to go to South East Asia in July;
- our outreach programme including a Celebration of Baptism on 11th June and the Moreton Hall Cake Off on 17th June;
- more good contacts and follow up from our prayer visiting programme;
- Fresh Shoots after school club.
- Prayers for Revival will be on Friday 23rd June starting at 7.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

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The United Reformed Church have been, on a monthly basis, having conversations about some of the 'Big Questions' that we have relating to our faith. This has been in the hope that by exploring them together we might just be able to give some sort of answer, if we get asked such questions by those whom we come into contact without outside of the church. In general, we have probably finished our time together with more questions than we've answered, but we have had, I think, fruitful discussion along the way. This month we thought that it would be good to explore the question of denomination and whether it really matters. It would be really good to share this conversation with other churches in the town and hear how each of our denominations shapes or does not shape our faith in God.

If you would like to join us, we meet at 2.30pm on Monday 19th June, in the small hall at the URC in Whiting Street. (Elaine Colechin)

St Marys Church

Malcolm Rogers, vicar, is leaving in July for Russia. Please pray for Malcolm, Alison (his wife) and family in their new venture. We would also welcome prayers for his replacement.

Other prayer items:

- Bury Drop In that it will continue to strengthen
- Who Cares? Initiative – Please pray that God will help us to work together across the town (and County!) to bring good news of Jesus to people who hurt.
- pray for those who have recently lost a loved one.
- youth work would grow and prosper.
- small Church – weekly service for children/parents/carers – Mondays at 3.30 pm at St Johns Church.
- Election on 8 June
- Theresa May and our MPs – Brexit
- Sunday 18 June – The Great Get Together in honour of Jo Cox
- BCY and school activities
- Replacement for Matt Rushby at BCY

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 Jenny at jennytroll615@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:

| Day | Date | Venue/Church or Organiser | Prayer request- please hold these events in your prayers |
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| Wednesday | 7,14,21 June 7.30-9.00 pm | All Saints Church | Share and Study Groups <i>tea/coffee/cakes followed by Studies on Peter, John and Paul – Debbie Borda – Peter, Victor Jack – Paul, Alan McMahon – John</i> |
| Wednesday | 14 June 3.00 pm and 7.30 pm | St Johns Church | <i>Part of St John's 175th anniversary celebrations Visit by Archbishop Rowan Williams Afternoon lecture 'Eucharist and Mission' Evening Celebration Eucharist for the Eve of Corpus Christi</i> |
| Saturday | 17 June 7.00 pm | St Marys Church Malcolm Rogers | <i>Come Together</i> |
| Saturday | 17 June 7.30 pm | Friends Meeting House St Johns Street BSE | <i>The Great Get Together – "More that unites than divides us" – Jo Cox</i> |
| Sunday | 18 June 1.00 pm | Abbey Gardens org by St Johns and St Georges | <i>The Great Get Together in honour of Jo Cox Picnic – all welcome, just bring a picnic and join in down by the river.</i> |
| Sunday | 18 June 3.30 pm | St Edmundsbury Cathedral | <i>Readers Service – Miriam Webb will be licensed by Bishop Martin to serve as a Reader in the North Bury and Lark Valley Churches</i> |
| Monday | 19 June 2.30 pm | URC Whiting Street Elaine Colchin | <i>Big subjects – Denominations</i> |
| Friday | 23 June 7.30 pm | Christ Church Moreton Hall | <i>Revival - prayers</i> |
| Saturday | 24 June 11.00 am | St Edmundsbury Cathedral | <i>Ordination of Deacons Please pray for Matt Selman, to serve in the North Bury and Lark Valley Churches</i> |
| Saturday | 24 June 3.00 pm | St Edmundsbury Cathedral | <i>Ordinations of Priests Please pray for Karen Burton, to serve in the North Bury and Lark Valley Churches</i> |
| Monday | 17 July 7.00 pm | Salvation Army Citadel St John Street BSE | <i>Churches Together Shared Finger buffet plus AGM Everyone welcome</i> |
| Saturday | 23 September 1-8.00 pm | The Apex (organised by Liberty Church, Thetford) | <i>Flourish Women's Conference- Guest speaker J John – for women to come together to flourish/thrive Tickets £20 from Apex</i> |