

# ENews Issue 101 November 2023

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Welcome to the November edition of our e-news.

We hope everybody has remained safe during the recent floods and we and pray that anybody who has been affected gets all the help that they need. We do have a few items of furniture in stock so if you know of anybody who needs anything to get them through in the short term

please let us know. It has been widely reported that these type of events along with hotter summers will become more commonplace as the effects of climate change become more evident. There have been many reports recently about the number of young people suffering from climate anxiety. I have also heard many people asking if the conflict in the middle east may develop into a wider war. The backdrop of our



lives today are giving us cause for concern. These are all valid fears according to what we know and yet Jesus asks us to fear not and not to worry about tomorrow for today carries enough worries of its own. How is this possible for people who do not have the confident hope that our faith gives us.

The conflict in Israel / Gaza which has been ongoing for many years was inflamed by the massacre of innocent Israeli civilians enjoying a concert at the Kfar Aza Kibbutz near to the border of the Gaza strip



and perpetrated by the terrorist group Hamas. The images of vulnerable people including babies being murdered were highly distressing.

The response by Israel has been to retaliate which has led to deaths of



hundreds of Palestinian civilians. As Christians we have an interest in what happens in Israel because our Lord Jesus lived ministered, taught and was crucified and resurrected there. Revelation also suggests that although the whole world will be aware of Jesus's second coming he will return specifically to the mount of olives where all his enemies will be gathered for the battle of Armageddon where Jesus leads a spiritual battle against the corrupt rulers of the world. For us as Christians we understand that there is a spiritual battle taking place now and there is to be a righteous judgement and formation of a renewed heaven and earth. We are not to know when this will take place but rather that we should be ready and keep oil in our lamps. What's been interesting is the way in which people view this conflict. It has roused passionate debate not least because we have well established Jewish and Arab communities in our country whose families are closely involved. There have been demonstrations by opposing groups in London and other UK cities which in the main have been peaceful. Political tensions are arising though and whilst the government has pledged to fully support the right of Israel to protect its citizens they are also being urged to show restraint in their response in order

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to minimise civilian casualties. At the extremes each side does not believe in the others right to exist. As far back as 1920 there was rioting in Jerusalem against the proposed establishment of a Jewish state. In 1937 following a report by the Peel commission the Arabs rejected a proposal that would given them 80% of Palestine. The

Jews at this time were wanting to return to their traditional homeland due to increasing persecution in Europe. Again in 1947 the proposal of a two state solution was rejected by the Arabs and at its Inception in 1948 the state of Israel was attacked by Arab states on all sides.

Most recent media commentary has focussed on the situation since 1948 but the establishment of the 12 tribes of Israel began around 3,000 years ago and Abraham lived in the land around 4,000 years ago. There has never been a Palestinian state having been under the British mandate or Ottoman rule for the previous 400 + years up until 1948.



Prior to the Ottomans the land had been occupied by the Assyrians, Babylonians, the Byzantines, Romans, Arabs from the Arabian peninsula, crusaders from Europe and throughout this time the Jews continued to live in the land even though at times they were exiled or dispersed. and often persecuted wherever they went including in England. The land is clearly disputed. In biblical times God gave the Hebrews the promised land as a home where they were to be a light to the Gentiles. Some people dispute whether God still favours Israel in some way and that the temple will be rebuilt in Jerusalem. Its hard to predict the time of Jesus return, each generation has believed that we are in the end times but much of what is predicted in Matthew and Revelation certainly applies to todays world.



Whether we identify with Israel believing that they are God chosen people, that the land is given to them and that God will protect them or alternately that the Palestinians are fighting for their freedoms and are the victims of injustice, it is best that we leave Gods working out of the future to him, it is not within our power and we cannot see what he sees. Our prayer is to ask for peace and for Gods will to be done. That the knowledge of Christ will increase in that land

That we can show love and support to all those who are distressed and in pain.

We were unable to attend our outreach at Trinity park in October, a number of the team were unavailable or unwell. We like to go out with a minimum of three people so to be safe and that we can meet the pastoral needs of visitors. We have also been unable to do the Bits and Bobs sales where we donate funds to the Beehive childrens foundation.

Either because our van has been out of action or due to the floods. We have redirected our Trinity park Ipswich outreach to November 5th.

In our seekers group we recently covered the subject of trust and it was felt that our institutions were less trustworthy than in the past and that much of this was due to human greed. Debt and house repossessions are particularly high right now making our society



more unequal. I once read that a country that was uniformly poor was happier than one with polar opposites of wealth. I was drawn to Deuteronomy 15:1-11 which calls for a cancellation of all debt every seven years and a redistribution of all wealth every 50th jubilee year. I wondered if that would be a good thing today given the misery that debt and inequality causes. God certainly has a heart for the poor. Blessings to you all Graham

# Worship



The Filling Station is an informal way of expressing the Christian Faith, using celebration meetings to encourage the local church, predominantly in rural areas across the UK.

### What to expect when we meet:

A warm welcome with light refreshments... Contemporary worship led by local worship leaders... Stories of God at work today... Guest Speakers to refresh our faith... Prayer together for worldwide and personal needs...

**Thursday** 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 6.45pm. Our guest speaker is Alison Fenning and the title of her message is "The Gift".

The Riverside Centre, Stratford St Andrew Refreshments at 7pm for a 7:30 start.

# Everyone is Welcome

https://thefillingstation.org.uk/





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Vicar: Rev Charles Trefusis Tel:01394 383162 email: <u>info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk</u> www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk



Trimley St Martin Memorial hall - Worship evening Every 4th Saturday of the month.

# Organisations

www.light-wave.org







# Clare priory

clarepriory.org,uk



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# Prayer



rodandjulie.com

# IPSWICH IN PRAYER

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# Open to God Service

3rd Wednesday of the month at 10.30am





www.avenueevangelicalchurch.org.uk

42 Warwich Ave Woodbridge 01394 383479

# Join us to

# together in St John's Woodbridge Tuesday Evenings 7.30pm to 8.30pm Thursday Mornings 9.30am to 10.30am

# Table Tennis Drop-In Every Wednesday starting on the 4 October 2023

10am to 12pm With a 15min break for tea/coffee and a brief testimony In St John's Church Hall St John's Street, Woodbridge IP12 1ED

Everyone and any ability welcome, do bring a friend along



A suggested donation of £2 per person to cover costs Contact Bob Huddlestone 07754 048056 or Richard Bolt 07824 177830 Tel:01394 383162

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The Welcome Directory is a directory of faith communities in England and Wales who are committed to welcoming and appropriately supporting people who have left or are leaving prison, and is available on-line and in printed format. It enables prison chaplains, probation workers, other professionals, and individuals to identify a faith community in their local area that is a good place for someone leaving prison to attend.

For more information please talk to your local Welcome Directory Champion,

or visit welcomedirectory.org.uk Nate: Our faith community has a safeguarding policy which ensures that all safeguarding risks are managed appropriately.

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The Welcome Directory

Helping faith communities welcome and support people leaving prison

instagram.com/welcome dir/

# Pub Theology

Conversations about God, faith and life...in a pub.

Fortnightly on Sundays following Evensong



# **Dora Brown**

Dora Brown are a team of volunteers who transform peoples homes free of charge and for those who are in crisis. Homes that have broken down for a variety of reasons.



### **Repair Café**

Monday 2 October 2023

Pop along for refreshments as well as bringing your items to be repaired 10am to 12 noon in St John's Church

We look forward to welcoming you!





St John's Church, IP12 3 JHS Tel: 0139438316 Email: info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk



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Saturday 18 November 2023 6 pm



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Every third Sunday of the month at 11am All Saints Church, refreshments from 10.30am



# Fundraising Dinner

Saturday 11th November

# 4 Course Dinner

(Wine available to buy on the night)

Live music, silent auction & prize draw!

# £37 per person

To book tickets contact info@just42.org.uk or 01394 380992

Woodbridge Prep School Hall





### MORE VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR THE SANCTUARY DAY CENTRE FOR IPSWICH ASYLUM SEEKERS

Hooray! The Day Centre is now open and has a Manager and a bunch of amazing volunteers but we need a few more! Can you help? Can you offer a few hours a week or fortnight on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays in central Ipswich to talk about Ipswich life, help people with their English, encourage a bit of art ? Then we'd love to hear from you!

> Email sanctuary@stmaryletower.org for more information from the Centre Manager







# **BLESSING JARS**

Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya A great place to put your loose change in and say a blessing at the end of the day. To obtain a jar please e-mail thepaellalady@gmail.com or Pam@jenkins-net.co.uk

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We are praying that our new Rector will:

- Have a vibrant, prayerful, living faith that fuels a deep love for the people of the Benefice.
- Be able to teach from God's word in an engaging and relevant way.
- Be a leader who will seek God's vision with the Church and use the gifts and passions within the Benefice to work towards it.

We can offer:

- A strong, welcoming, praying, loving community who will support their Rector in ministry and life.
- A passionate group of ministerial colleagues who will work alongside the new incumbent.
- Active Churches with energy, enthusiasm and a range of skills that support the mission and ministry of the Churches and will seek to embrace the challenges of growth.

For an informal conversation please contact: The Ven Rich Henderson, Archdeacon of Suffolk, archdeacon.rich@cofesuffolk.org 01473 252829 | 07710 479497 Closing date: 20 November 2023 Interviews: 5/6 December 2023 Further details and application form: www.cofesuffolk.org Enhanced DBS Check Required

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Flourishing congregations making a difference

# **New Wine Suffolk Area Celebration**

**NewWine** 

with guest speaker Richard Thomas (regional director) and worship leader Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November Refreshments from 6pm Celebration from 6.30pm at St John's Church, St John's Hill, Woodbridge IP12 1HS.

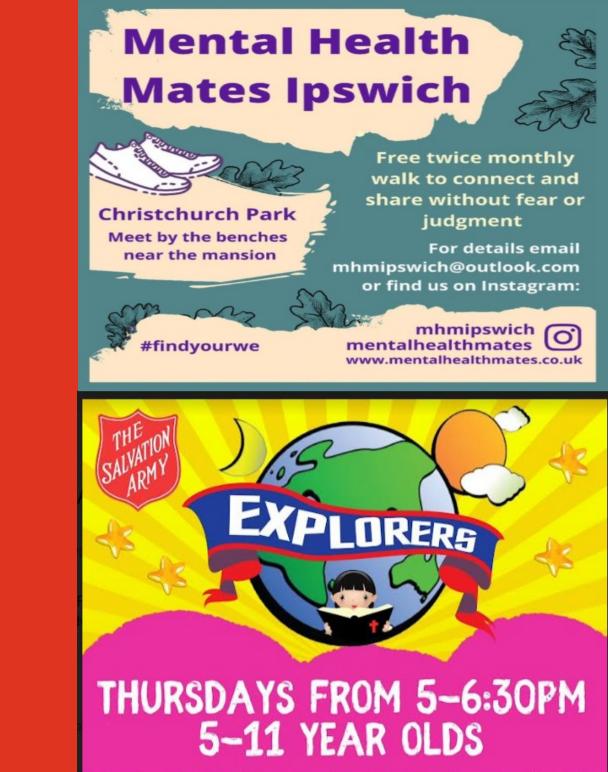
### FRAMLINGHAM

### 'The Toast Rack'

A new venture called 'the Toast Rack', is being organised by Sandy Rowles at St Michael's. Coffee and tea will be served, with toast, and biscuits, on the first and third Saturdays of each month, from 10-12 noon, beginning on Saturday 5th February. We hope that this will be an opportunity for people to meet and chat, and perhaps for some to get used to being out and about again in a safe and friendly forum. No charge will be made, but any donations are always welcome.

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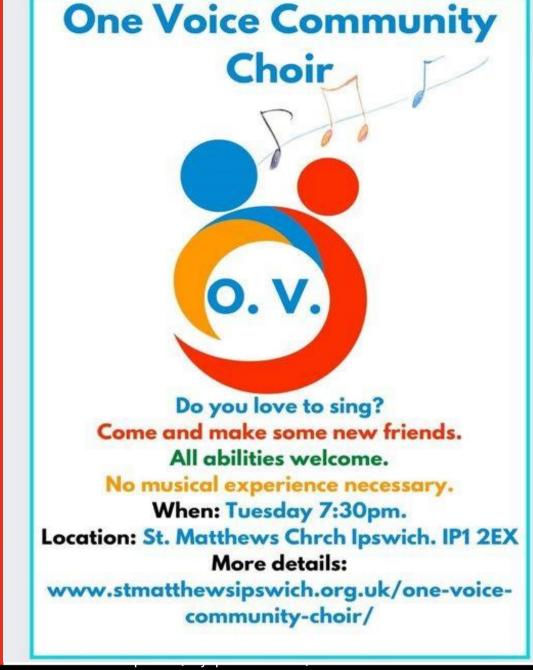
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# Begin The Adventure

# **Register Now:**

Website: www.riveroflifechurch.net [Teaching Alpha] Email: mail@riveroflifechurch.net Phone: 01394 273700

Alpha

Alpha Course

arts Thursday 14 September

Song Prayer Silence

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# Usually the fourth Sunday of the month 6pm

St Gregory's Church chancel www.rendleshamchurches.org/find-us

contact: janethbishop@hotmail.com



Wickham Market

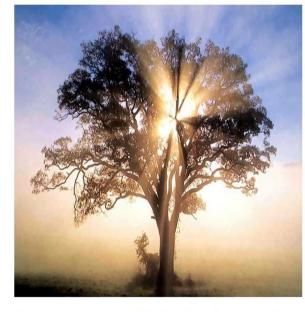


Informal Service @ All Saints Church 3pm every Second Sunday. All invited!

> A time of worship, fellowship, and light refreshments.

Meet old friends and make new ones 💐

# **Bereavement Support Group**



Wednesday 8 November 13 December

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at **2.30pm**. If you would like more information or support please contact Kathy Blair



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Woodbridge Quay Church

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# **BOOST Primary School Chaplaincy**

We would ask for your prayers as the BOOST Trustees explore the possibility of appointing a voluntary part time chaplain to work in a local primary school. The role would be 2-3 hours per week based over a lunchtime through term time.

This venture will build on the excellent work of chaplaincy already at Felixstowe School. The volunteer chaplain would be accountable to, and receive support and training from, the BOOST Trustees, the BOOST Chaplain and the school involved.

We are excited about this possible new venture and ask that you continue with us in prayer so that we may be attentive to God's prompting and direction. If you would like to know more about the role please do get in touch via boostfelixstowechaplaincy@gmail.com

Mick Warner, Chair of Boost Trustees. www.boostfelixstowe.org.uk

# St Michael's Church Framlingham Unexpected Saints

All Age Communion Service For All Saints Day Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30 am





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Friday morning Drop in from 10:00am

**At All Saints Church** Every Friday Morning "Alpha is a way to explore what we hunger after - meaning and intimacy and relationship... In a very non-pressed, non-judgemental environment." - Bear Grylls host of "Man vs Wild".



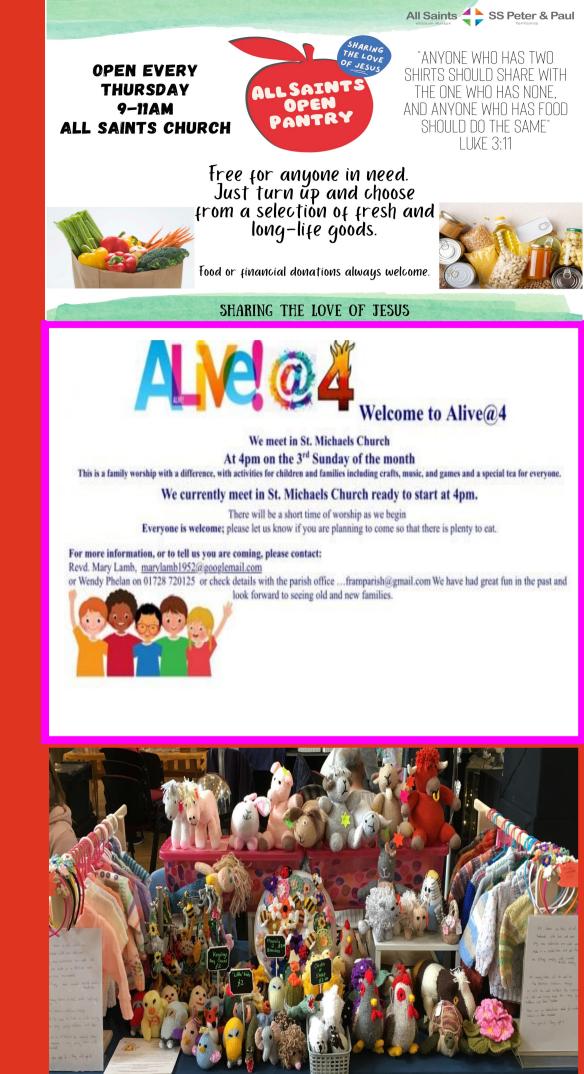
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### Outreach



Our next outreach is at Trinity park car boot sale in Ipswich on Sunday November 5th Wickham market Christmas market Saturday December 2nd



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CROSSROADS-Saxmundham High Street THE RUNWAY-St Michaels and all Angels Martlesham OPEN DOORS -All Saints Wickham Market-Every Friday morning. HUB COMMUNITY CAFÉ-St Johns Woodbridge - Every Monday morning 10-12



# STREET JESUS

# Gallery

# CD of the month

# Book of the month

Facebook



Just a small sample of the literature we display on outreach



Andrew Murray

Humility

The way to victory in the Christian life

STREET JESUS

CD of the month

Whosoever

**Rend Collective** 

BOOK OF THE MONTH Andrew Murray says that humility lies at the very heart of a successful Christian life. When we came to God for salvation, it was in admitting our need that we found grace. So in every stage of our walk, it is by admitting our lack and realising our utter dependence on God that we are victorious. Moreover, in that God was willing to humble Himself, it is by walking in lowliness of mind that we bear the strongest sign that we are the children of God.e don't just yearn for something better, away from this

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# Society



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# Gatherings

# Bible reading

### Prayer

### Quote to note

### Please get involved

### THANK YOU !

At the end of every seventh year you must cancel the debts of everyone who owes you money. This is how it must be done. Everyone must cancel the loans they have given to their fellow Israelites. They must not demand payment from their neighbours and relatives, for the Lords time of release has arrived. This release from debt however only applies only to your fellow Israelites- not the foreigners who live among you. There should be no poor among you for the Lord your God will greatly bless you in the land he is giving you as a special possession. You will receive this blessing if you are careful to obey the commands of the Lord your God that I Am giving you today. The Lord your God will bless you as he is promised. You will lend money to many nations but will not need to borrow. You will rule many nations but they will not rule over you. But if there are any poor Israelites in your towns when you arrive in the land the Lord your God is giving you do not be hard hearted or tight fisted toward them. Instead be generous and lend them what they need. Do not be mean spirited and refuse someone a loan because the year for cancelling debts is close to hand. If you refuse to make the loan and the needy person cries out to the lord you will be considered guilty of sin. Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly for the Lord your God will bless you in everything you do. There will always be some in the land who are poor. That's why I am commanding you to share freely with the poor and other Israelites in need. Deuteronomy 15:1-11



### **Todays Blessing**

Lord, thank you for the blessing of trusting you. Thank you that I can worship and praise your name, and find blessing in the light of your presence. Help me to continue to walk in the light of your truth, and to trust in you each day. May your blessings surround me with your joy and peace today. Amen

"What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God." —Hans urs von Balthasar.

If you have a heart for sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others and would like to become involved with our project then please contact us for more information. If you would like us to promote any of your Church events we will do our best to include them in our e news. If you would like to contribute to e-news with any information or recommendations such as a book, music C D, film, article, a prayer, or a bible verse then please e mail us on streetjesus2012@gmail.com. Our next meeting will be on Monday November 13th at 7.30 pm. At 7 Featherbroom Gardens Wickham Market IP130JH

Thank you for showing interest in the Street Jesus project. If you do not wish to receive our e news or would like more information about the project please e mail streetjesus2012@gmail.com