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Street Jesus News:

Welcome to the November edition of our e-news. As the evenings become darker we look toward Bonfire night and Christmas and with new Covid 19 restrictions in many parts of the country these celebrations will not be as free as in previous years.

Bonfire night has an interesting history and whilst not a religious festival as such it has deep religious roots. In 1605 Guy Fawkes and his Catholic co-conspirators attempted to assassinate the protestant King James 1. He was arrested whilst guarding the gunpowder in the cellars under the House of Lords intended to blow up the King and to replace him with a Catholic head of state. The observance of the 5th November Act in 1606 formalised the lighting of bonfires as a celebration. The early years brought a lot of conflict between Protestant and catholic groups and a lot of Anti Catholic sentiment. These differences had their origins in the reformation from which the protestant faith grew. Many people simplistically say that Religion causes more trouble than anything else but the issues raised were important not just for a fuller understanding of the bible but key to our development as a society. The centrality of Gods grace and our faith in it, allowed us to make our laws and democracy more representative and strengthen ideas of charity. The conflict allowed us to reject authoritarian and coercive ideas based on fear, guilt and on our own utility, the opposite of what Jesus taught. Fear not Jesus said Rest in me. It was only with the event of the printing press in the 1400's that people had been able to read what the bible actually said rather than what the priest told them. This was liberating.



We are living in interesting times with the election of the president of the united states happening next week. President Trump has proved a Marmite figure both across the world and in his own country. He has



played up his own Christian faith which is in sharp contrast to many leaders across the worlds who just don't mention God. He has been filmed in group prayer seeking Gods guidance. But does he represent the Christian faith well What does Jesus think about him? He

has done many things which would be unthinkable to leaders across the world. He wants to make America great again and pledges to put America first before all other nations. I see some parallels with God making the Israelites his chosen people but of course the Jewish people were favoured not iust for themselves but were to be a light to



to the rest of the world. The promised land was a place where God would reveal himself in the fulness of his glory through his son Jesus Christ. Donald Trump believes in the free market economy, that everyone should pull themselves up by their bootstraps, he has been unsympathetic to the plight of the poor, has old fashioned attitudes toward women and is anti the black lives matter movement. He is pro life and anti abortion. Both at home and internationally he has embraced an attitude of conflict particularly toward China, North Korea and Russia although he has tried to do deals with each he does not support co-operative international institutions like the United Nations and NATO . He is loath to commit American troops to overseas conflict believing that countries should sort out their own problems. He is the first president to talk over the heads of colleagues and communicate directly to the electorate via twitter often offering simple solutions to complex problems. He has been poorly informed about important issues and has presided over a very high level of Covid 19 deaths in the USA, urging people not to wear masks but to carry on working in order to keep the economy going. When balancing the health of the nation against damage to the economy he has favoured the economy citing freedom for people to choose how they respond to the pandemic. The manner in which he speaks to people can be aggressive and disrespectful particularly to news reporters who challenge him and his critics use all the buzz words to describe him Misogynistic, Racist, sexist, supremacist etc So how does his behaviour fit with the teachings of Jesus to be humble loving and graceful?



His supporters would say that America has become too liberal secular and Anti Christian and that this is causing great harm to individuals and that this needs to change. But is being pro life enough politically, if you present yourself in a boastful, vulgar, or divisive way?. We remember the pharisees spouting the law but they were the people group that Jesus criticized the most. Where is the compassion for



those who have made mistakes, are in difficult or abusive relational situations and who are alone and have a tough decision to make.

Those people need to know the spirit of the law and that it exists for their own wellbeing. They need love, the love that only Christ can give.

Pilate pondering

kingdom purpose for him here on earth? Our liberal sensibilities recoil at such an idea but the alternative 'choice and identity' culture along with a self serving individuality are equally as harmful. I would personally be unable to vote for either candidate in the US election because biblical wisdom and the teachings and spirit of Jesus are being either disregarded or weaponised.

Yet Americans are voting in record numbers ,they somehow sense that this choice is really important. It is often said that as Christians we should not get involved in the murky world of politics but we should surely be concerned for the wellbeing of others and this election does not just concern the American people because as a powerful nation it has an effect on the whole world. We are left to pray for Gods will to be done, that that country may truly be one nation under God as envisaged by its founding fathers.

This months bible reading from Romans 7 concludes the importance of the spirit rather than the letter of the law. By embracing Jesus we are transformed by his person, his spirit and Gods written word. No president can match what Christ has done for us. Blessings Graham



Worship

SUFFOLK COASTAL
RIVERSIDE CENTRE
STRATFORD ST ANDREW
Postponed until further notice

MID SUFFOLK
STOWUPLAND VILLAGE HALL
Postponed until further notice

THE FILLING STATION

A new informal way of expressing
the Christian faith

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

IT'S ALL ABOUT

JESUS

YOXFORD VILLAGE HALL

Postponed until further notice

ALL WELCOME



Trimley St Martin Memorial hall - Worship evening
Postponed until further notice



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www.cofesuffolk.org



oasisenglish.org.uk



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PRAYER
Every Tuesday
7pm
Kelsale Village Hall
IP172PB

Contact Paul or Mandy
Weekes on 01728-604053

Healing Prayer Service

1st Sunday of the month at 6.30pm

Postposed until further notice



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<https://networksuffolk.org.uk/>



National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast 2020

Online

Hope and peace
in a time of fear
and suffering

www.christiansinparliament.co.uk



GOV.UK

Corona virus advice for churches

www.gov.uk

Appeal for help

Talitha
Koum

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Hope

Amanda (01473 857432)

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intimacy and relationship... In a
very non-pressed,
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*- Bear Grylls
host of "Man vs Wild".*

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Outreach

STREET JESUS



Due to the Coronavirus pandemic
We have suspended our Street
outreaches until such time as we
prayerfully believe we should do so.

tearfund

www.tearfund.org

Fundraisers



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



BEEHIVE FUNDRAISERS

£488 has been raised through our blessings jars so far. Our grateful thanks to all who have contributed



GUITAR CONCERT

All Saints Church Wickham Market
Saturday November 10th 3-5pm
£406 was raised



QUIZ NIGHT

Seckford Hall hotel
Date to be confirmed

For details streetjesus2012@gmail.com
or thepaellalady@gmail.com



The famous opera singer Christina Johnson
performed in concert at
St Augustine's church Ipswich
Saturday November 23rd 7.30pm
£1467.50



The famous opera singer Christina
Johnson performed in concert at
Framlingham college chapel on
Saturday January 25th 2020
Around £2200 was raised



Wickham Market All Saints
Woodbridge Methodist Church
Melton –St Andrews church-

Postponed until
further notice

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Connecting volunteers and vulnerable people in Suffolk

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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

24/7prayer.com

Lectio 365– A daily devotional



PRAYER MEETING

**POSTPONED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE**

STREET JESUS



7 Featherbroom Gardens

Wickham Market IP130JH

Gallery



Maxine and Nicola on outreach , wrapped up nice and warm at the Woodbridge Christmas Fayre 2018. We will very much miss going this year. The event has been cancelled due to the coronavirus restrictions. Looking forward to next year.

CD of the month

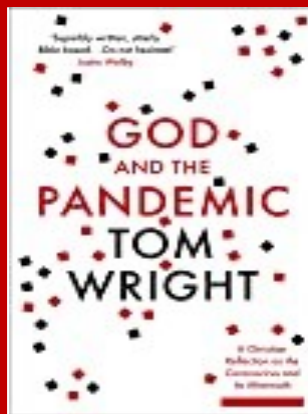


Wild Heart

Kim Walker-Smith

Eden.co.uk

Book of the month



BOOK OF THE MONTH

What are we supposed to think about the coronavirus crisis? Some people think they know: 'This is a sign of the End,' they say. 'It's all predicted in the book of Revelation.' Others disagree but are equally clear: 'This is a call to repent. God is judging the world and through this disease he's telling us to change.' Some join in the chorus of blame and condemnation: 'It's the fault of the Chinese, the government, the World Health Organization. Tom Wright examines these reactions to the virus and finds them wanting. Instead, he invites you to consider a different way of seeing and responding – a way that draws on the teachings and examples of scripture, and praying revealed to us by Jesus.

Newsletter



To receive our monthly newsletter

The Beehive Buzz

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'THEOS'

Think tank on religion and society

The Sacred— Mark Vernol
Religious London— Online launch
The Dignity of work— Making it a reality.
Michael Sandel—The Tyranny of merit.
Cohesive societies— Faith and belief.
An emotional history of doubt.
The Social dilemma and the Human question.

Gatherings



New Wine Cancelled 2020

www.new-wine.org

Spring Harvest Cancelled 2020

www.springharvest.org

Big Church day out Cancelled 2020

www.bigchurchdayout.com

Keswick Cancelled 2020

Keswickministries.org

Greenbelt Cancelled 2020

www.greenbelt.org.uk

Word Alive Cancelled 2020

www.wordaliveevent.org

Dauids tent 2020 -August 28th-31st

www.davidstent.net

Hillsong Conference Cancelled 2020

www.hillsong.com

Newday Cancelled 2020

www.newday.co.uk

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SUPPORTING CHILD MUMS AND THEIR BABIES AT THE BEEHIVE KENYA

Bible reading

Now dear brothers and sisters , you who are familiar with the law, don't you know that the law only applies while a person is living. For example when a woman marries the law binds her to her husband as long as he is alive. But if he dies the law of marriage no longer apply to her. So while her husband is alive she would be committing adultery if she married another man. But if her husband dies she is free from that law and does not commit adultery when she remarries. So my dear brothers and sisters this is the point . You died to the power of the law when you died with Christ And now you are united with the one who was raised from the dead. As a result we can produce a harvest of good deeds for God. When we were controlled by our old natures, sinful desires were at work within us and the law aroused these evil desires and produced a harvest of sinful deeds resulting in death. But now we have been released from the law for we are no longer captive to its power. Now we can serve God not in the old way of obeying the letter of the law but the new way of living in the spirit.

Romans 7:1-6

Prayer

Celtic Prayer



Bless to me Oh God
The Earth beneath my feet
Bless to me Oh God
The path whereon I go
Bless to me Oh God
The thing of my desire
Thou evermore and evermore.
Bless thou to me your rest.

Quote to note

Forgiveness is not an occasional act but rather a constant attitude

Martin Luther King Jr

Please get involved

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 announced after the current Government restrictions are lifted.

THANK YOU !

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