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Street Jesus News:

Welcome to the June edition of our e-news.

As i write the sun is shining in through my study window and the sky is perfect blue. What a joy after the wet, windy and cold (for the time of year) weather we have had. Although life feels great this morning we all have days when we are not at our best. We somehow need the dull rainy days to fully appreciate the sunny ones and surely our difficult times (though we don't always appreciate them at the time)

serve a purpose. Nothing is wasted in Gods kingdom and we are often strengthened during these tough times.

Carrying on from last months theme of meeting people where they are, it was really encouraging to revisit one of my very first customers who's life had been turned upside down after a relationship

breakdown, she was very upset, vulnerable and at a really low ebb. On that first visit it was a case of listening and encouraging and I sensed it was not the time to introduce Jesus into the conversation. I did

however pray for her. On my return I was faced with a very different

Grandmothers and roses are much the same. Each is a God's masterpiece with different names. person, life had settled down for her and she was full of smiles. What a contrast. Now was the time to talk about Jesus. She told me that not only had she had a rough time in her relationship but also she had lost her Grandmother who she described as a rock, a Christian lady with a very strong faith. An inspiration. She felt that her Grandmother and the things she had said helped her through this very difficult time. When people come to faith there is nearly always a Christian involved in the process. Its our job to be that person. God wants to use us in that way. This lady is not yet a Christian but her thinking is infused

with Christian ideas. She has a broad outlook. "Whatever helps to get you through the day" she said. "Whatever you can clinmg onto" but we know that the ultimate helper and healer is Jesus and he wants us to have an abundant life not just to get through our days. I am visiting her again soon. Please pray for her.

It has become obvious through my new work that opportunities to evangelise have somewhat increased. Putting the Street Jesus van to new uses. We offer declutters, house clearances, light furniture carriage. But the most interesting part has been the recycling / tip runs. I have

been to houses where there are piles of rubbish both inside and outside the house and in alleyways and roads nearby. There has been a very strong campaign in the local press.

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Fly tipping which we can all agree is a terrible practice. It is a blot on the landscape and a health hazard. Farmers, the council and the highways agencies pick up the tab, the cost of clearing up runs into millions of pounds across the country. It's a very selfish act. We can all agree.

But there is another side to the story, Many of the people i visit have

problems getting their waste away, people who are elderly, single parents, those who don't drive, people with mental health problems, people who are not computer literate thus cant book their tip slots, but most commonly those who are on or struggling to access benefits and who routinely use food banks.



For commercial operators with medium sized vans they will be charged between £60-100 at the local landfill sites so they have to pass this cost on to their customers so that it will cost between £80-150 to have rubbish taken away. A skip will cost around £200 and the council will take away up to three appliances for £47 but rising with more items. If it becomes a choice between feeding your children or having your rubbish removed which would you choose? People are routinely coming into conflict with neighbours and being reported to the council. This is a reality for so many people. I have been shocked at the hidder level of deprivation in many of the places i visit. It is in this environment that fly tippers thrive because people have no other viable alternative. Its also worth noting that a private company partners with Suffolk county council to deal with recycling and waste which in itself is a profitable activity. Contrast this with Australia where I visit family, they have a system whereby you leave items on the side of the road on a specific day and a lorry comes by and picks it up as part of your local tax.

So what started as an occasional request to take stuff to the dump in

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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return for a charity donation has become a ministry. Armed with a waste carriers license we are recycling materials wherever we can which is good environmentally and whatever goes to landfill is treated as a donation to the Beehive childrens foundation (Africa) So tip runs are now an official Street Jesus activity and a form of mission and evangelism.

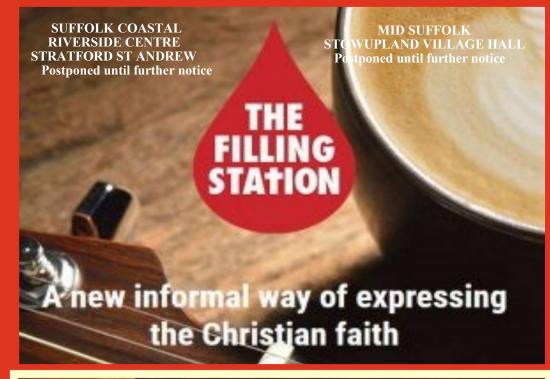
Struggling families benefit from a cheaper rate, the Beehive benefit through donations and there is opportunity to spread the love of Jesus. We hope in some small way we are discouraging fly tipping. All in all its been a great witness. I must admit that when we started in 2014 I didn't envisage this as a form of evangelism but God takes us to unusual places.

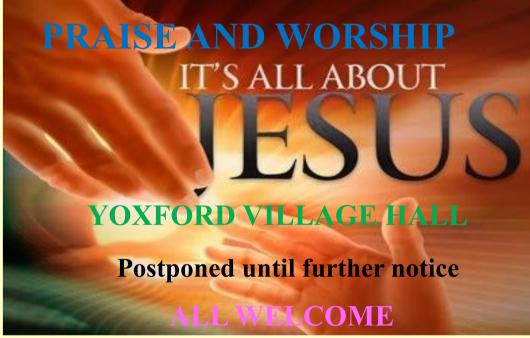
Having just had Pentecost and the wonderful gift of the holy spirit we now focus on trinity Sunday where we think about how the father son and holy spirit are in relationship with one another and how they work together to provide for our deepest spiritual needs. Our bible reading is from Acts 2:1-13 which de-

scribes the coming of the holy spirit. I often try to imagine what it must have been like to have been there on that day.

Just a date for your diary, our AGM will be on Monday September 13th with venue details to follow. After which we will be restarting our Street programme. We pray that the holy spirit will be with us as we re-set our mission. We hope you all have a good (Flaming) June Gods blessings to you all









Trimley St Martin Memorial hall - Worship evening Saturday June 26th 7pm















formerly known as GideonsUK









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





Information Network

Network & SUFFOLK

- *Restart workshop
- *River church vacancies
- *A story of hope.
- *River Church going to Quay place
- *Living Grief.

https://networksuffolk.org.uk/

Reducing Isolation with Food







Abbeycroft Leisure, West Suffolk
College and the Bury St Edmunds
Rickshaw are teaming up with a host
of other charities and organisations to
provide heat at home meals delivered
to isolated adults living in Bury St
Edmunds once a month.

If you know someone that lives alone and without a support network please send us an email:

community@acleisure.com

To help sustain this project we are taking donations through our crowdfunding page: www.crowdfunder.co.uk/acIrif







A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

Has the impact of Coronavirus left you worrying about your bills, your job or your home?

There are people that can help.

Call us free on **0800 068 3131**

The Suffolk Advice and Support Line is open from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.





Home, But Not Alone

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Supporting vulnerable people in Suffolk

The Home, But Not Alone free phoneline is for people who need **urgent** help and support during the Coronavirus pandemic. It is only for people who do not have support available from friends, family or neighbours and are struggling for food, medicines or other essential supplies.

Coronavirus Emergency Phoneline



9am-5pm Monday to Friday For all other enquiries please visit www.suffolk.gov.uk/homebutnotalone









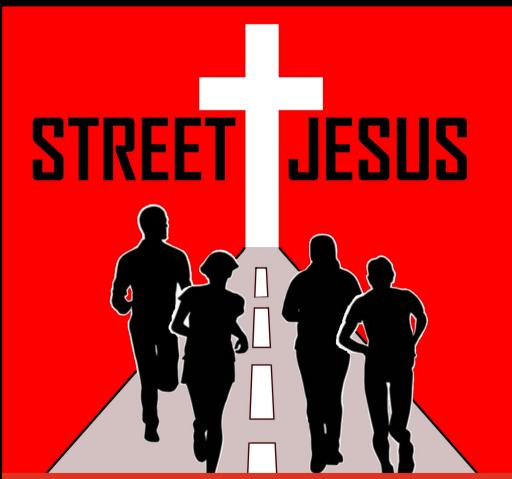




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Outreach



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



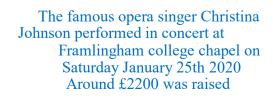
QUIZ NIGHT Seckford Hall hotel Date to be confirmed



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





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

Postponed until further notice

HOME, BUT NOT ALONE

Connecting volunteers and vulnerable people in Suffolk

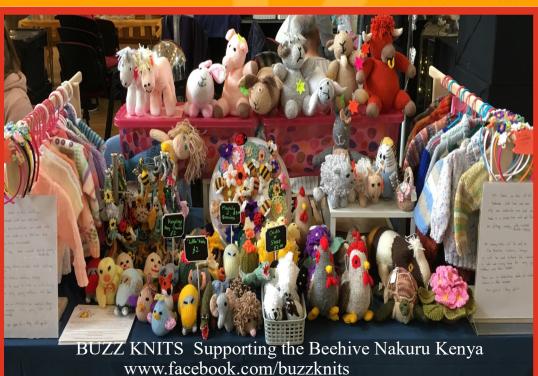
Tribe - Volunteer

APP TO VOLUNTEER



Need a volunteer's help? Call: 0800 876 6926

#COVID19SUFFOLK

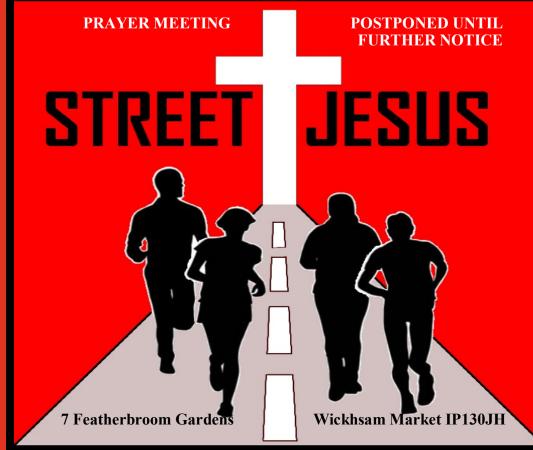




CROSSROADS-Saxmundham High Street THE RUNWAY-St Michaels and all Angels Martlesham OPEN DOORS -All Saints Wickham Market-Every Friday morning.

HUB COMMUNITY CAFÉ-St Johns Woodbridge - Every Monday morning 10-12





Gallery



Alan, Jane and Nicola at Woodbridge Christmas street fayre in 2017

CD of the month

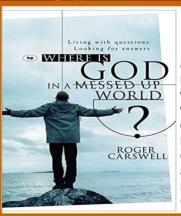


CD of the month

Hymns for the Christian life

Keith & Kristyn Getty

Book of the month



BOOK OF THE MONTH

Roger Carswell is realistic enough to admit that there are things God reveals to us, and things he doesn't reveal. He argues that the starting point is to find out who God is, and figure out if he can be trusted - even if we don't have all the answers. The author's own experience of suffering with depression, and other real-life stories that are included, make this a compassionate look at one of the toughest questions about the Christian faith. Moreover, our questioning need not be a barrier to entrusting ourselves to God.

Newsletter



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The Beehive Buzz

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THEOS

Think tank on religion and society

Faith in Democracy.

Diana, Martin Bashir and the angry crowd.

Reading our times

Fractured—Why societies are coming apart.

Visual communication in a digital world.

Who was to blame for the death of Jesus

Gatherings



New Wine Cancelled 2021 www.newwine.org Spring Harvest Cancelled 2021

www.springharvest.org

Big Church day out Cancelled 2021

www.bigchurchdayout.com

Keswick Cancelled 2021

Keswickministries.org

Greenbelt Cancelled 2021

www.greenbelt.org.uk

Word Alive Cancelled 2021

www.wordaliveevent.org

Davids tent 2020 - August 28th-31st

www.davidstent.net

Hillsong Conference Cancelled 2021

www.hillsong.com

Newday Cancelled 2021

www.newday.co.uk

Our Partners

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SUPPORTING CHILD MUMS AND THEIR BABIES AT THE BEEHIVE KENY

Bible reading

On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly there was a sound from heavenlike the roaring of a mighty windstorm and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each one of them. And everyone present was filled with the holy spirit and began speaking in other languages as the Holy spirit gave them this ability. At the time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem . When they heard the loud noise everyone came runningand they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers. They were completely amazed "How can this be" they exclaimed "These people ae from Galilee and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages. Here we are Parthians, Medes, Elomites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and the province of Asia Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome. (both Jews and converts to Judaism) Cretans and Arabs and we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things that God has done. They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean they asked each other" But other in the crowd ridiculed them saying "They are drunk that Acts 2:1-13

Prayer

Glory to thee my For all the bless O keep me, kee Beneath thine o Forgive me Lord the ill that I this That with the wo My time to sleep O may my soul with sweet sleep Sleep that me my to serve my Good

A Bedtime prayer

Glory to thee my God this night
For all the blessings of the light
O keep me, keep me King of Kings
Beneath thine own almighty wings
Forgive me Lord for thy dear son
the ill that I this day have done.
That with the world myself and thee
My time to sleep at peace may be.
O may my soul on thee repose, and
with sweet sleep my eyelids close
Sleep that me more vigorous make
to serve my God when I awake.

Quote to note

Faith is a reasoning, a trust that reckons thoughtfully and confidently on the trustworthiness of God. John Stott

Please get

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 our AGM on Monday September 13th at 7.30pm at a venue to be arranged.

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 streetjesus 2012@gmail.com