

# ENews Issue 104 February 2024 streetjesus2012@gmail.com www.streetjesus.org.uk

Welcome to the February edition of Street Jesus e-news. As the days begin to lengthen we look forward to more light in the evening.s and a more settled pattern of weather. Its been a very wet and windy Autumn and winter. A series of storms have swept across the country and it's a relatively new phenomenon where we now name these storms. This naming began in 2015 when Katie became the

eleventh named storm in the first ever naming season which is the most since naming began. In this current season there has been storm Angus in September, Babet in October, Ciaran and Debi in November, Elin Fergus and Gerrit in December, and Henk, Isha, and Jocelyn in January, a total of ten. I had not noticed that these storms are named in alphabetical order. It made



me wonder why we name storms, is it because they will seem less frightening if we personalise them. The word Weather Warning or alert can cause great anxiety but the Met office believe that by giving them names people take more notice and take greater steps to keep themselves safe. Storms can cause untold damage and loss of life so its only natural to fear them.

The current series of storms have been caused by a more powerful jet stream which are wind currents very high up in the earths atmosphere



caused by greater disparities in temperatures between the poles and mid latitudes and its interesting that a small change in the earths atmospheric conditions causes chaos, so finely tuned are the weather conditions. The way of creation is so finely balanced is amazing.

In the bible Jesus rebuked the storm Mark 4;35-41. Jesus was sleeping on the boat when the storm broke. The disciples were afraid for

their lives fearing they would drown as the boat took in water. Jesus was woken by their alarmed shouts. Jesus rebuked the wind and the waves and they subsided. And then asked them why are you afraid and why do you have so little faith. The disciples were amazed. We are also familiar with the story of Jesus walking on the water during a storm and as Peter also tried to do likewise he began to panic and sink. His eyes were on the storm rather than Jesus. How often is it true that we tend to focus on the problems in the

storms in life rather than look to Jesus.

The Suffolk coastal Filling station has reemerged well after the covid pandemic. You will have noticed that many long standing regular Christian events folded up over the covid years. Thankfully the Filling station is not one of them. Meetings involve food, worship, prayer and an inspirational speaker and take place on the forth Thursday of





### Street Jesus News:

most months at the Riverside centre Stratford St Andrew. Although I am not able to make all the meetings mainly due to our Street Jesus work and other commitments I regularly get feedback from those who do and I receive a lot of positive comments. The Filling station attracts people from many local churches and the idea as the name

suggests is to fill us with Gods spirit, in much the same way as you might put fuel into a vehicle so that it runs effectively or increasingly to recharge your spiritual batteries like charging an electric car. Interestingly if you google Filling station it comes up with lots of pictures of



service stations. The January speaker made a huge impression. JJ Waters was radically saved at University and marked by God in the slums of Uganda. He returned to the UK with a passion to see God working and went on to lead UK Burn 24/7 worship and prayer movement which now operates right across the country. . His work in Norwich particularly with the young is reaping a harvest for the Lord. Check out burn24-7uk.com and for future Filling station meetings thefillingstation.org/station/Suffolk-coastal/

Our street work takes a rest in January after the busy Christmas period but we are raring to go again in February. Unfortunately we are unable to do our outreach at Leiston Co-op on February 3rd as planned



as the Co-op are reviewing their policies around charity organisations working at their stores. We hope to hear within a couple of months the upshot of their review. We have worked there for a number of years now and really enjoy it there, so we have managed to get a pitch on the bandstand instead. which is quite near to the Co-op anyway so we are very much

looking forward to it. The Sunday after on March 10th we will be at the Trinity park car boot sale in Ipswich. On Easter Saturday March 30th we will be out but the Venue is yet to be confirmed.

Our seekers group has been running for around nine months now and has been very interesting. The discussion group format tends to a more flexible dynamic and is very different to a structured approach such as an Alpha course. The group have the opportunity to set the subject for the following week so to ensure ownership. The subject may be secular but we aim to bring a Christian perspective to whatever it is. We believe this allows the spirit to work and for it to go where

Gods wants it to. We have had twelve people showing an interest in joining of which four have attended. Three people have left the group for various reasons and we have learned that the Gospel is for some a stumbling block but we have kept contact with all who have left. One member of the group has committed himself to



the Lord, has taken his first communion and has expressed a desire to be baptized. The bible tells us that the angels in heaven rejoice whenever somebody repents and comes to know Jesus. In all this we give God the glory and although we know that the Christian life can be challenging we also know that an abundant life can be experienced both in this life and into eternity. If you know somebody who is curious about our faith and would like to know more please let us know via the email address above. We would love to know of their life experiencers and share our faith with them. As we approach shrove Tuesday and the season of lent may God bless 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:

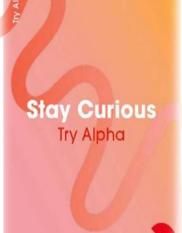
A warm welcome with light refreshments... Contemporary worship led by local worship leaders... Stories of God at work today... Guest Speakers to refresh our faith... Prayer together for worldwide and personal needs...

Details of speakers and dates will be announced on the website. Google Suffolk coastal filling station.

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

# Everyone is Welcome

https://thefillingstation.org.uk/



Do join come and join us on the Alpha course beginning in St John's Church St John's Hill Woodbridge IP12 1HS on Wednesday 17 January 2024 at 7pm

Contact the church office to sign up Tel 01394 383162 email: info@stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk

St. John's Woodbridge



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

### Organisations

www.light-wave.org





Enabling churches to house the homeless

# www.ministryofmusic.co.uk





CANTUS FIRMUS

www.cantusfirmus.org.uk



facebook.com/Theplacebythewater/



### Prayer





## IPSWICH IN PRAYER

PRAYING FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE TOWN BY THE PRESENCE AND POWER OF GOD

www.ipswichinprayer.co.uk



# 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-InEvery Wednesday starting on the 4 October 2023Restarting Wednesday January 17th

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  $\pounds 2$  per person to cover costs Contact Bob Huddlestone 07754 048056 or Richard Bolt 07824 177830

Tel:01394 383162

St John's Discovering God and sharing the love of Jesus www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk





### The BASIC Life Charity

### **COMMUNITY POP-UP SHOP**

Come along to



2 Carr Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2FS

Friday Mornings at 11.00 am

AFFORDABLE FOOD

Fill a bag for £2. NO CRITERIA - ALL WELCOME \*NEW: Free Tea, Coffee & Biscuits\*

Our Faith Community is registered with

# THE WELCOME DIRECTORY



Our commitment: We will welcome people, who have been in prison, into our faith community and support them



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.

facebook.com/TheWelcomeDirectory

twitter.com/weicome\_dir

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. Furniture required. Contact donate@dorabrown.com



### ALL SAINTS KESGRAVE FROM NOVEMBER

# WELCOME

COFFEE CENTRE

WEDNESDAYS 10.30AM- 12.30PM COME IN

MAIN ROAD, KESGRAVE, IPSWICH, IP5 1AA



All Saints Church Wickham Market

Prayer & Praise Evenings 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:30pm

Friday, 2 February 2024 2:30pm - 4:00pm Woodbridge Quay Church



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PRAISE

A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



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



River of life church-Felixstowe

You are invited to join Sally on Thursday 1 February between 10.30 am - 12.30 pm for a Craft & Coffee Morning to make items for Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.

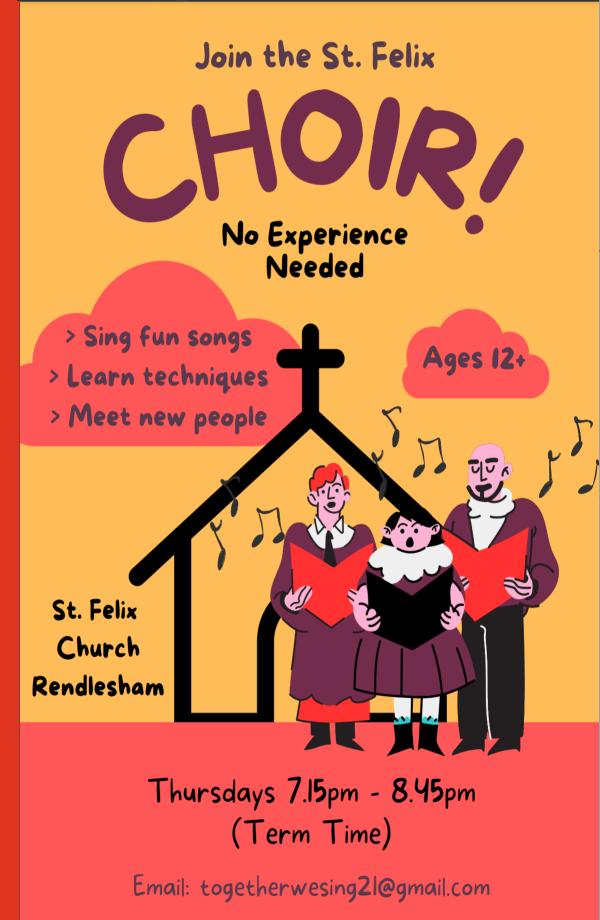


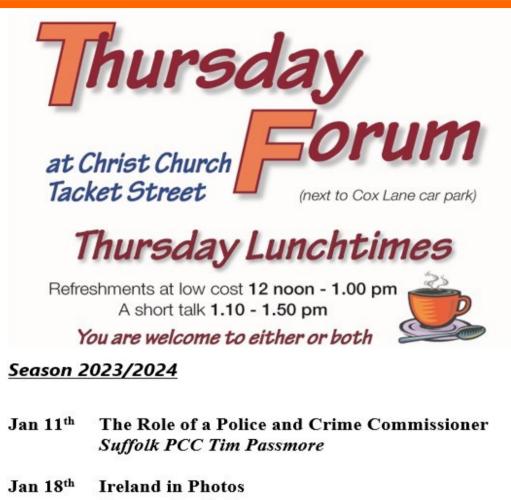
All Welcome



Ipswich In Prayer and CYM are partnering to set up a 24/7 prayer room in Ipswich, something that many people have wanted for a while.

The initiative is due to start on 14 February, initially for the period of Lent. If you are immediately moved to want to sign up then please use this Ipswich specific prayer room link: <u>https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/8c5c69</u>





- Ian van der Ende
- Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Martlesham Wilds, a New Nature Reserve for Suffolk Jeanette Gosney and Karen Bainbridge, Engagement Volunteers for Suffolk Wildlife Trust
- Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Ipswich Town Pastors Paul Laughlin

www.christchurch-ipswich.org.uk Twitter at @ThursdayForum and Facebook:Thursdayforumipswich

# Candlemas TAIZE Saturday 3 February St Edmundsbury Cathedral

# World Day of Prayer

A global ecumenical movement of informed prayer and prayerful action

### FIRST FRIDAY IN MARCH





### 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

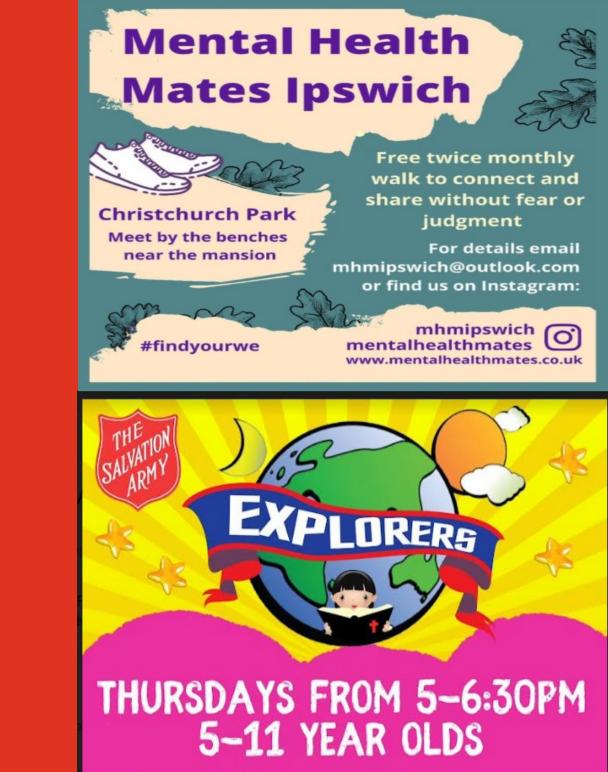






### **BLESSING JARS**

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





£1 PER CHILD GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS, MESSY FUN, COMPETITIONS, PRAYERS, BIBLE STORIES, CHALLENGES, TUCK SHOP AND MORE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 07500058657 OR POP IN TO FELIXSTOWE SALVATION ARMY, COBBOLD ROAD, IP11 7EL



THE SALVATION ARMY IS A REGISTERED CHARITY IN ENGLAND (214779)

### New in Suffolk – A 2-hour Workshop for Parents of young school children, toddlers and babies



Would you like to better understand your child's development and behaviour?

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Date: Thursday 29th February 2024

Time: 1-2:30pm

Venue: Castle Hill Community Centre, Highfield Road, IP1 6DJ

COME AND HAVE A CHAT WITH US OVER TEA/COFFEE AND CAKE AND EXPLORE THOUGHTS AND IDEAS AROUND YOUR CHILD'S BEHAVIOUR

This workshop explores:

The Brain development of a young child

Ways to better understand and support your child's emotions and behaviour

PLEASE EMAIL <u>highfield.cc@suffolk.gov.uk</u> OR CALL OUR CHILDREN CENTRE STAFF ON (01473 742534) EXT 2 TO BOOK A PLACE ON THIS WORKSHOP.

We look forward to seeing you!







Samaritan's Purse<sup>®</sup> Water Filter Project Offering

We usually take up a special offering this time of year for Samaritan's Purse Water Filter Project. We have decided to move this offering to co-inside with World Water Day and the offering will therefore be on Sunday 24 March 2024.

If you would like to donate to this project beforehand, please visit: https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/water-sanitation-hygiene/resources/

"I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink" Matthew 25: 35







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Song Prayer Silence

# Taizé

# 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 🐳

# **Concert of Hope** Ukraine Fundraiser



St Edmundsbury Cathedral will play host to a special concert on Friday 23 February at 7pm, marking the anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Money raised will go to First Children's Hospice in Nadvirna, Ukraine which is supported by UK-based Hospices of Hope, the organisers of the concert.

### RIVER OF LIFE CHURCH APP DOWNLOAD TODAY!



www.riveroflifechurch.net/hubb

All Saints

# OPEN DOOR

Coffee, tea, biscuits and friends

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Friday morning Drop in from 10:00am

**At All Saints Church** Every Friday Morning



# **JOB CLUB**

#### Are you wanting to get back into work?

We offer support with CV writing, job searches and applications, practice interviews, and access to IT.

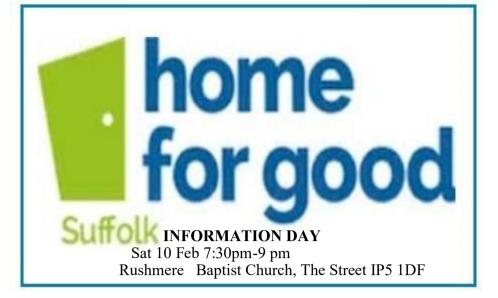
EVERY WEDNESDAY (FROM 28 FEBRUARY) 10.00 - 12.00

The Salvation Army, Cobbold Road, Felixstowe

For more information, contast us on felixstowe@salvationarmy.org.uk or 07774 619 424







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Reminder Ipswichinprayer.co.uk Book into the Ipswich Prayer Room!

Okay !

24-7 PRAYER

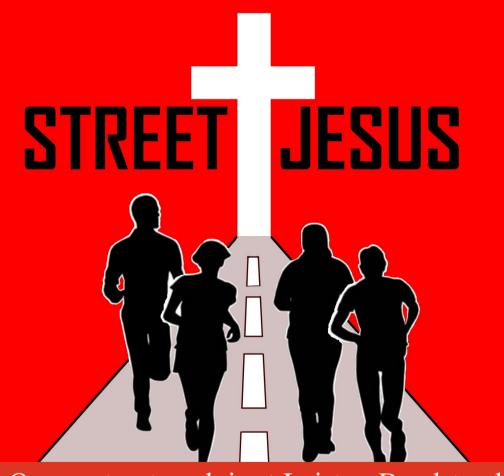
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"Alpha is a way to explore what we hunger after - meaning and intimacy and relationship... In a very non-pressed, non-judgemental environment." - Bear Grylls host of "Man vs Wild".



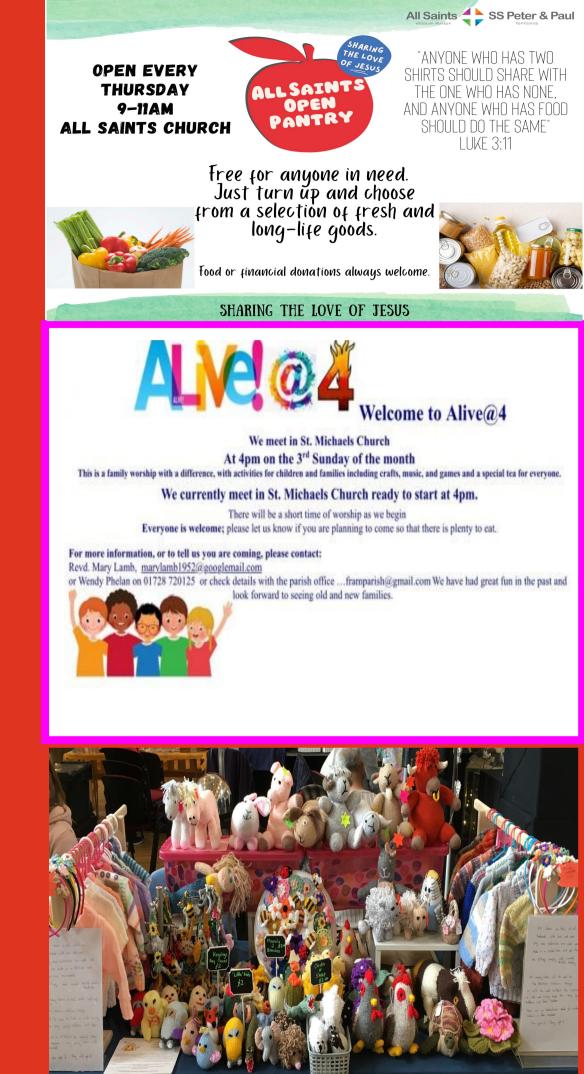
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### Outreach



Our next outreach is at Leiston Bandstand

Saturday March 2nd



BUZZ KNITS Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya www.facebook.com/buzzknits



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

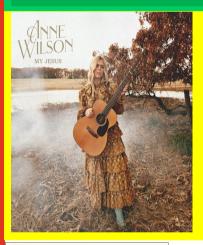
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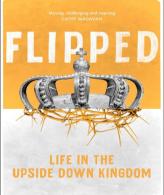
# Book of the month

Facebook



Evangeline the Street Jesus van coming up to her fifth birthday with just under fifty outreaches under her belt. So quite a few miles on the clock for God .





MALCOLM DUNCAN

STREET JESUS

### BOOK OF THE MONTH

CD of the month

My Jesus

Anne Wilson

This is the Upside Down Kingdom, where the forgotten are noticed, the silenced are given back their voice and love is stronger than hate. By exploring the teaching of Jesus, as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew, Malcolm Duncan in Flipped traces the key components of this new community, this life-giving way of living. He explores the five key discourses in Matthew and invites us to a radical new way of living and being centred around the reign and the rule of King Jesus.he message of Flipped: The Upside Down Kingdom is one that our churches need to hear - that God's Kingdom is unshakeable, local churches are its vanguard and Christians are its citizens. Flipped paints a vision of what is possible when ordinary people catch a glimpse of God's radical call to follow the Lord Jesus.

Check out our facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/ 1246450225452294

### Society



### www.theosthinktank.co.uk



We Support We Support Children's Foundaries Children's Foundaries Transformation through Compassion, Love & Hopeo Beehiveafrica.org

### Gatherings

### Bible reading

### Prayer

### Quote to note

### Please get involved

### THANK YOU !

I want you to know how hard I am contending for you and for those at Laodicea, and for all who have not met me personally. My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. I tell you this so that no one may deceive you by fine-sounding arguments. For though I am absent from you in body, I am present with you in spirit and delight to see how disciplined you are and how firm your faith in Christ. So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces<sup>1</sup> of this world rather than on Christ. For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh<sup>I</sup> was put off when you were circumcised by<sup>[C]</sup> Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross Clossians 2:1-16

### Keep us.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Amen

### What you are is Gods gift to you. Hans urs yon Bathasar

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 March 11th 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