

**Saturday - pray for the protection of your family and friends**

**John 13:31-38      A Loving Church**

*22nd ...God is glorified in him*

Pour out your love and worship to God. Pray for Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk District Council, for their work and that decisions made will be to the benefit of all. Pray for those who live or work in residential or care homes in this area. Pray for the Pastoral Team. Pray for the CPAS. Pray for the Hub. Pray for the Holy Land.

*23rd Love one another*

Pray that we will know how much God loves us and demonstrate our love for God and for each other in all that we say and do. Pray for growth of the ministry in our benefice to children and young people. Pray for Little Gems. Pray for the NHS, social care and our medical centres. Pray for Open Doors. Pray for Ukraine.

*24th As I have loved you...love one another*

Ask God to show you how you can share what he has done in your life. Pray for the Wednesday congregation. Pray for action to be taken to reduce the impact of climate change. Pray that we will become a more eco-friendly benefice. Pray for those from the Ukraine who are living in the UK. Pray for those who are bereaved and for the Support Group.

*25th By this all men will know that you are my disciples*

We are asked to share our blessings, to care and encourage each other. Ask God to show you where you can help. Pray for the food banks. Pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ who are being killed or persecuted for their faith. Pray for Tear Fund.

*26th Love one another*

Pray that our love for one another will flow into the community. Pray for the ministry of healing and for sensitivity towards those struggling with long term ailments. Pray for our farmers, those involved in agriculture and those involved in food production. Pray for the Services on Sunday morning.



**St John's and St Andrews**

**April 2024**

**Discovering God**

**Sharing the Love of Jesus**

**Luke 15: 1-32**

**Community Focussed**

*1st This man welcomes sinners...*

Pray that our churches will welcome everyone who comes,. Pray for Charles and Kate and their ministry in Woodbridge and Bredfield. Pray for those affected by war in Ukraine and the Holy Land. Pray for those in or affected by difficult or broken relationships and by domestic violence. Pray for the Hub and for the Repair Hub.

*2nd Does he not...go after the lost sheep*

Pray that we will go out into our streets and neighbourhoods, prepared to share Jesus. Pray for those who provide counselling and social care. Pray for our work with young people. Pray for Little Gems. Pray for Christian Aid and its work throughout the world.

*3rd She calls her friends and neighbours together*

Ask God to show you how you can share in his mission to the world. Pray for deliverance for those caught up in human slavery and trafficking. Pray for those addicted to drugs, alcohol, sex, gambling and other less obvious but very real temptations.

*4th There is rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents*

Be open to God's leading and pray that he can use our everyday interactions to bring others into his kingdom. Pray for prison ministry in its various forms and that prisoners can break free from the past. Pray for food banks and for the Salvation Army and other organisations which reach out to the hungry.

*5th His father saw him and was filled with compassion*

Ask God to fill us with compassion for those who do not yet know Jesus. Pray for the peace of the Lord to be upon you, your family and your neighbours. Pray for the people and churches of St Johns and of St Andrews. Pray for those whose health investigations and treatment have been delayed. Pray for the services on Sunday.

*Weekend: Pray for your family, your neighbours and loved ones*

***2 Peter 1:1-11      Growing in Faith***

*8th      ...given us everything we need for life and godliness*  
Give thanks for the Bible and ask God to give you greater understanding of his word to us today.. Pray for discernment as we seek nominations for Churchwarden and the PCC. Pray for the efforts to combat climate change. Pray for those affected by conflict in the Holy Land, Ukraine and elsewhere. Pray for the Hub.

*9th      He has given us his very great and precious promises*  
Pray for the church as we seek to deepen our faith by the study of Mark's gospel through preaching and in our Life Groups. Pray for our children and young people. Pray for Little Gems. Pray for families struggling to feed their children. Pray for the Children's Society. Pray for the Prayer meetings on Tuesday evenings.

*10th      Make every effort to add to your faith goodness...*  
Pray that you will be open to hear God's word. Give thanks and pray for those who preach the gospel. Ask our Father to help us listen to the concerns of those around us and respond with love and encouragement. Pray for Just 42. Pray for the next steps in their faith journey for those who have participated in Alpha.

*11th      add to your faith...brotherly kindness...love*  
Give thanks for God's love to you. Pray for those God has placed on your heart. Pray that God will empower us with the fruit of the Spirit. Pray for our churchwardens, treasurers and the office staff . Pray for our Life Groups. Pray for the Thursday morning prayer meetings.

*12th      Be eager to make your calling and election sure*  
Give him your praise. Commit to going deeper in your faith. Pray for the healing of relationships and hurts, some of these due to historic or current racial or domestic abuse. Pray for Friday Night Youth. Pray for the emergency services. Pray for the services on Sunday.

*Weekend: Pray for your family, your neighbours and loved ones*

***Romans 15:1-13      A Welcoming Church***

*15th      Each of us should please his neighbour*  
Pray that we will be a church that welcomes all. Pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for the people of Israel and Palestine. Pray for the work of The Children's Society. Pray for the Hub. Pray for our government and that decisions made will be for the benefit of all.

*16th      May God... give you a spirit of unity*  
Pray for healing of any broken relationships. Pray for Little Gems and all of our ministry to families and children. Pray for Kate, our Children and Youth Pastor. Pray for our schools and teachers. Pray for Just 42. Pray for Noelle and Lois and those who help in the office.

*17th      Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you*  
Pray that we will value and support one another. Pray for the hungry and homeless and those who seek to help them. Pray for those affected by war, earthquakes and other catastrophic events. Pray for the Wednesday congregation.

*18th      Rejoice O Gentiles with his people*  
Pray that we will accept each other, acknowledging our differences. Pray for those struggling with pain and disability or struggling mentally or financially that they will be able to access appropriate help especially for debt counselling. Pray for the Bible Society. Give thanks that Jesus is the Light of the World.

*19th      May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace...*  
Let God fill you with joy in his presence and the desire to share that joy with those around us. Pray for yourself and the people of our benefice that we can step out in faith, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Pray for the services on Sunday and for the Annual Parochial Church meeting. Give thanks for those who have served in the past and pray for those elected to serve.