

PRESS RELEASE

Praying their way around town!

Responding to a call from the national church to pray 'Thy Kingdom come' between Ascension Day on 25th May and Whitsunday on 4th June, it seemed a perfect opportunity for St Gregory's Church, led by their relatively new incumbent, The Revd Canon Cheryl Collins, to get out on the streets of Sudbury and pray for the wellbeing of the community and for all who live and work in the town.

Cheryl commented: *"God calls Christians to 'love our neighbours as ourselves' and to 'seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you'. In many various ways, this faith is being lived out in a practical way as Christians serve the people of the town."* Cheryl strongly believes that prayer is the foundation that undergirds all that the Church carries out in its mission to the community. The act of being able to pray for God's blessing on the town will help the Christian community see the town and all their neighbours as God sees them.

Cheryl continued, *"It's not about making other people into Christians, but about asking that they may experience the power of God's healing, blessing and reconciling love wherever they need it in their lives. My hope through this, is that God will show us new ways to serve and to share God's love."*

Commencing 25th May, and at various times of the day, Cheryl and anyone who would like to join her, will start with brief prayers at church and then set off to walk and pray round a different part of the town for about an hour.

If anyone is interested in being part of this initiative, full details can be found on both the St. Gregory's Church website: (<http://stgregorychurchsudbury.co.uk/>) and also the Churches Together in Sudbury website: (<http://churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk/>).

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