



Time to Pray - It is!
Time to Pray - Have you?
4th April 2021

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Spirit of the Living God, fall - afresh - on ME, please!

- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Suffolk Road** Be close to each leader as they get to grips with opening up again. Bless each worshipper with an anointing of Your Spirit. You have moved through this building many times Lord & that to bless. Come Holy Spirit touching all again
- Monday** **Schools – Belchamp etc** in Chadbrook benefice. May each of these schools, every student, teacher, staff know the joy of returning to class & find new skills in their discoveries. Bless each one with a sense of Your joy in the classrooms etc. Lift their hearts to a new knowledge.
- Tuesday** **Charities – Family support orgs** vitally important in helping families back on their feet, so many will have touched rock bottom. Be their wisdom Lord and their reward. May all they do bear fruit, lifting hearts & lives on to a stronger foothold. Be their strength to keep momentum
- Wednesday** **Civic – Council tenancies** As well as providing homes roads, buildings & services have to be maintained. With growing need in all areas, may our Councils' planning on all levels be with a clear vision of all future as well as present needs & be financially able to meet both.
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Seekers** Many who never had time for God must have questioned Him this last year, some blaming but others wondering more deeply. Lord we know You never ignore our questions but we don't always hear Your answers. Speak to seeking hearts please Lord
- Friday** **Services – Newspapers etc.** Another vital part of our day. We ask for clarity of thought to be able to define what is true & honest & of good report. Keep Editors from pushing the sensational above the truth and help us not to allow the negative to alter thoughts we have gained by being close to You. Use our news Lord to spread the real gospel!
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com **Town Pastors – still praying.** **Understanding** comes from the Spirit's influence in our lives. So Dear Spirit take all we have experienced of You & use it to touch the lives of those unable to make their own way. Be in my mind



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- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Sudbury Baptist** as they cope with 'the changing scenes of life'. May Your Holy Spirit penetrate every corner of this church, building and people revealing Your Great Love to ever deepening experiences calling out ever deeper responses, please Lord
- Monday** **Schools – Open?** They should be so we pray for every child, of any age, that each may find real joy in discovery. May what was once hard & dismissed fill each with excited achievement. Be close to each teacher, keep them safe physically, open to new ways of doing the old
- Tuesday** **Charities – Financial advice** is invaluable with so many desperately struggling to make ends meet. Bless all who advise without recompense, may all they offer lead to many people & our country getting back on a level, meeting all the needs & bringing hope to us all
- Wednesday** **Civic – High Street** another 'changing scene' that might not be for the good. Our Councils have to balance loss of revenue against our needs. Help them to do both wisely and without argument. Be their wisdom Lord, replace/re-invent our shops so we & they don't lose out
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: IT** has bridged the gap this last 2 years but how to revert back? Will we have reached folk with IT that traditional church never did? How much IT do we retain? How to use our great buildings to best advantage? Bless all levels of our clergy with Your wise decisions
- Friday** **Services – Shops open?** How different our shopping will be. Those who have used Internet will rejoice in talking to real people and choosing their own goods. We have missed our cheerful shopkeepers and the choices they offer. Thank God for everyone serving in shops
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com and **Town Pastors – still praying.** Uncertain of situation but we know that **Praying** did not cease during Lockdown. We therefore pray that all the recent prayer groups may have drawn us together, closer to You and each other. Help us to continue to hold on to our praying partners



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*Break me, Melt me,*

- Sunday** **All Churches especially this Mothering Sunday.** However we reach out and celebrate, may the wonder of Your Humanity, Your need of a Mother, Your life in a Family – touch our hearts to the very depths. May we also value our own Mothers, truly & lovingly & thank God for them.
- Monday** **Schools – Stour Valley Community Clare** aim to teach their students to become responsible ... May this teaching in every area of life lead each youngster to an upright & honest approach to their future and every life they touch on the way. Fill this school with Your truth so staff & students find their lives enriched, separately & all together blessed
- Tuesday** **Charities – Mental Health** so many orgs involved are straining to cope as Covid affects our lives. May each org know real wisdom in all the advice they give, strength to physically support those weaker & real joy in their daily ministrations. Be close to leaders, helpers, all involved.
- Wednesday** **Civic – Backlog housing** is a local & national problem as the young become adults and many more join our nation. Councils & Govt are hard pressed to meet this need. Businesses have cut corners to help with disastrous results. Give our Councils vision, sense & wisdom.
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Clergy roles** invariably will change following Covid. Help each one to understand how best they can draw folk to know God for themselves, how much of church tradition must alter and what is of greatest value to keep unchanged. Stretch their tent pegs Lord please
- Friday** **Services – TV media** will probably still be majoring on the negative side of Covid! What a help it is to know real news and how difficult not to be overwhelmed by criticism. Help all our programmers to keep a good balance & lift us all up into the ‘new’ abnormal life before us all!
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge [ruthridge@gmail.com](mailto:ruthridge@gmail.com) **Town Pastors – still praying.** **Caring** for each other did not cease either. May that too continue to reach out especially to the lonely, easing burdens and lightening hearts that may struggle. Be our loving care for each other



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- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Salvation Army Lavenham** They must have touched many lives through the years, tourists & villagers with Your blessings. Give opportunities Lord to continue this great work of love they do so readily. Thank You for all Sally Army here & worldwide
- Monday** **Schools – Acton CofE** facing new ways of teaching, struggling with bureaucracy and still giving the children every possible chance to learn. Bless every teacher with a fresh outlook, every child with an open receptive mind, each helper with a joy in their assistance, please
- Tuesday** **Charities – Domestic abuse** will have ruined many lives during the last months. Lord help those who only know how to face problems by hitting out and hurting. Hold those hurt with Your tender care. Give any whose future is blighted a light to look to for help and reassurance.
- Wednesday** **Civic – Backlog law** our courts have also been locked down & cases still pile up. Great wisdom will be needed Lord to keep justice fair & clear. Give all our lawgivers a knowledge outside of themselves which will not just cope with numbers but bring fresh honest judgment to both victims & perpetrators. Your justice needs to reign here Lord please.
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Worshippers** So many of us may have discovered new ways of reaching out for God – and been blessed doing so! Help us to know how we can best worship You, Great God of Wonders. Give us all a song in our hearts, an anointing on our souls & joy beyond belief.
- Friday** **Services – Statisticians** Covid has bombarded us with numbers, bad & good. Help those who compile to not get carried down paths that mislead the truth. Lead them to honestly gather & give information to keep us all balanced and sensibly able to cope with whatever arises.
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com **Town Pastors – still praying.** **Listening** to others is an ongoing gift especially when it is kept & pondered over and is not allowed to become gossip, Help us to keep this gift sacred as unto You and thus bless those talking to us