



Time to Pray - It is!
Time to Pray - Have you?
 2nd May 2021
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My heart and tongue employ

- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Holy Trinity Long Melford** Another great & beautiful building with a history of precious care for those around. May the service of the saints of the past still bless present day saints who serve You here Lord. Be in every prayer, hymn & sermon
- Monday** **Schools – Hillside Special** How delighted they must have been to come back together after the bewildering separation. Be close Lord as You always are to the vulnerable. Have each one know Your Hands are around them guiding them to a better future. Help all the staff to say & do what will reach into the hearts of these precious young folk.
- Tuesday** **Charities – Fairtrade** must have been hit as hard if not harder than any org. As they sell to make life easier for those who provide the goods, may all at the beginning, middle or end of this process reach out, giving their best with genuine concern. Be there for each one Lord
- Wednesday** **Civic – Homeless** have been helped through the winter pandemic but can that be sustained? Lord our down & outs have so little, please reach into their pitiful state. Heal their wounds, put someone alongside to help, open opportunities, find each a place of safety. Bless them all
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Our Prayers** have continued through all the changes & lack of 'church'. May they have become deeper, more relevant, more frequent, more vital to us. Bless all our praying either with our words, words written by others or even our heart's cries without any words.
- Friday** **Services – Sports Volunteers** have been at a loss no doubt since all suspension, but as life sparks again may they not only know how to serve but also the joy of service. Bless our sporting supporters please
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com Do come & join in **Town Pastors** – still praying. We ask You please to open up the way. **Late night events**, legal or otherwise, will give cause for enjoyment for revellers but also put pressure on our loyal Police. Help both sides to exercise restraint and act fairly for the benefit of all. Be in their fun.



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Through all the changing scenes of life

- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Chadbrook Benefice** As these folk begin to come together may each individual be filled with the Light of Your Love. May Your Love be recognised & shared together without restraint. Renew these Churches Lord to Your Great Glory please
- Monday** **Schools – Bulmer CofE** Knowing that You are introduced to these young people, we ask that their minds might be open and receptive even if their backgrounds are not compatible with this teaching. May Your gentle love flow through each teacher so each child is blessed
- Tuesday** **Charities – Counselling** A vital part of life nowadays. May every org involved know how to look beyond themselves, how to listen without interrupting and how to offer the very best advice possible. As the needs around them grow deeper & more complicated, be their wisdom
- Wednesday** **Civic – St Peter's Cultural & Community Venue** No longer 'just a church' ! But as the legacy of prayer and praise continues to surrounds all inside, anoint each visitor so that they 'feel' Your Great Love seeping into their being, comforting, consoling & equipping them
- Thursday** **CTiS&D:** with events in abeyance we pray for: **Your Church.** You have given Your all for Your Church Lord in past times, now may Your Church arise in power with great praise to face new times, new agendas, new challenges, new developments. May this be a return from exile to a fruitful new life in Jesus Christ and in Him alone
- Friday** **Services – Mortgagors** So many must have fallen behind in payments so we ask that these orgs, there to serve us, may find a deeper concern & commitment to those struggling. Give them ability not just to count the pennies but also the cost others are paying. Bless them
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge sends out the invitation weekly to draw us together. Why not be included too? Contact ruthridge@gmail.com
Town Pastors – still praying Be in their plans for the future Lord. Police value their help & revellers enjoy their friendships



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In trouble and in joy

- Sunday** **All Churches and especially St Peter & St Paul Lavenham** Standing as proud as a sentinel at the entrance to this delightful village this church has blessed its community for 100s of years. What a legacy of prayer & devotion! It's role is not over, please answer every prayer
- Monday** **Schools - Glemsford Community** Young lives growing in knowledge & strength. May each tutor see into the hearts before them and know how to best guide them forward. Help both to be wide open to all Your Love as well as Your World of Nature and all the discoveries therein.
- Tuesday** **Charities - Age UK** aim to help older folk with information and advice They may be weakened by the strains of this past year, but may all serving in any sense be upheld, strengthened, renewed as they reach out to those struggling with frailty, memory, IT, rules & regs. Help all!
- Wednesday** **Civic - Belle Vue** on the cusp of decision but again disputed. Be in the minds of Babergh Council Lord so they can really put Sudbury folk before the £s. We fear its loss after so many closed shops etc. Please bring life and new energy back into our town centre we ask in Jesus.
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Your Written Word** still has the power to turn the hearts of men & women to You & we bless You for that power. May every word read sink deep beyond the eyes, to the minds & to the hearts of the readers. You promised to bless Your Word, please do so here today.
- Friday** **Services - Sudbury in Bloom** What a joy to see Your Touch on our towns & villages as folk take the trouble to plant & beautify our streets. Thank You for their caring dedication. Use their skill to lift our hearts in thankful praise & our spirits to greater effort to serve as they serve us
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com
Town Pastors - still praying. **Pubs & Clubs** desperate to open. Help them to re-evaluate their role so they offer the very best to customers



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The praises of my God shall still

- Sunday** **All Churches and especially Stour Valley Vineyard** Reaching out to those in real need, this church has proclaimed Christ is King by love! May every gift bear fruit, healing the receiver and blessing the giver. Be within their praise Lord and touch each life as only You can please
- Monday** **Schools - Great Waldingfield** Your love is shared with these pupils on many different levels. May they discover You in their lessons and the extension of their own skills. Be close to each teacher, child, staff blessing their future as well as today & spreading Your Love all around
- Tuesday** **Charities - Sudbury Befriending** providing friendship and learning opportunities to vulnerable 16+. How valuable that must have been through this last year when these young people must have been so bewildered by events hitherto unknown. Bless them for their caring.
- Wednesday** **Civic - NHS strains & changes** have been an enormous burden to our authorities. Now as they all try to draw future plans, may they know how to delegate time & skills; control the finances; separate the old unnecessary from the need for new; welcoming ideas & support.
- Thursday** **CTiS&D: Our Songs of Praise** are still controlled by Covid but our hearts can sing! May the music in our souls penetrate outwards until it changes our very faces - thus spreading the Gospel of Your Love to everyone around us, especially our precious families. Be glorified in it!
- Friday** **Services - Care Homes** are suffering financially plus having lost so many residents. As they come more clearly into focus, may those in control know how best to expand into new areas or restrict their care. Our aged will be more to the forefront now, guide all involved please.
- Saturday** **Prayer Breakfast** Ruth Ridge ruthridge@gmail.com
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