

**Readings and Collect for 13<sup>th</sup> August**  
**The Tenth Sunday after Trinity**

1 Kings 19:9-18      Romans 10:5-15      Matthew 14:22-33

Eucharist Prayer E

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Readings for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

Joshua 3:7-11, 13-17      Psalm 114      Matthew 18:21-35, 19:1

**Readings and Collect for Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August**  
**The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity**

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8      Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32  
Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

Eucharist Prayer F

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Bartholomew the Apostle**

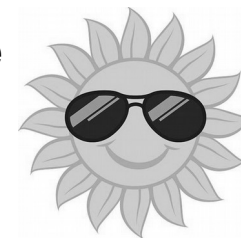
Acts 5:12-16      Psalm 145:1-7      Luke 22:24-30

The next Focus is **27<sup>th</sup> August - 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
Please email items to: [standrewr@gmail.com](mailto:standrewr@gmail.com),  
or phone Gill 253743, or Claire 623419.  
**By 9pm Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August**



**St Andrew's Rushmere**

**Focus for Weeks**  
**13<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> August**



**Ride and Stride**  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
**9.00am – 5.00pm**



This year's event will be held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September and is for anyone who loves Suffolk and its historic churches, or is looking for a good excuse for a walk, or cycle ride!

Cyclists and walkers get sponsors, or donations for their journey around some of Suffolk's churches, choosing their own route, long or short.

The money raised will help save this wonderful part of our history, with half going to the Trust to give out as grants for church buildings, and half to the participant's chosen church. Hundreds of churches across the county will be open to welcome visitors.

If you would like to cycle, or walk to raise funds for St Andrew's, or if you are able to help on the day by signing in visitors to St Andrew's; please contact our local organiser Kevin Brazier. Tel: 07831 201554.

Visit <https://shct.org.uk> for more information, or find them on Facebook, or Twitter.



### MONDAY PRAYERS

A time of coming together to pray for the church and parish from 4.30–5pm every Monday in church. All welcome.

*'Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful'*  
(Col 4:2)

### QR (Quick Response) Code

Due to severe loss of revenue to our church due to Covid-19, the QR code will continue to be seen in Focus. The code can be scanned by a mobile phone camera and will connect to the Give-a-Little page inked to <https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net>



Any queries; please ask our Treasurer on 724211, or a Church Warden.



### Mother's Union

Our August meeting is on **Wednesday 16th August at 2.30** at St Andrew's Hall – and - we hope - Garden. We are having a very informal 'Garden Party'- a lovely tea of course!- a 'fun quiz' and a Hat competition! The theme is **'The Mad Hatter's Tea Party'**. Don't worry if you cannot make a hat-you will be just as welcome 'hatless'!

The Wednesday Treaters are invited to join us and anyone else who would like to come. All we need is a sunny afternoon but if it rains we will have an indoor garden party! Anyone who needs a lift to the Hall please let Marion or Tricia know and we will hope to arrange it.

### Dates for your Diary



**Starting Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August 3-5pm**  
**at Scout Hall, Dumbarton Road,**  
**IP4 3JP**

*Crafts, food and great fun*  
*for all the family*

*Free entrance and all welcome.*  
*(Children must bring an adult)*

For more information email: [alancomfort11@gmail.com](mailto:alancomfort11@gmail.com)



### Music at Rushmere Sunday Afternoon Concerts Autumn 2023, 3 – 4pm



24<sup>th</sup> September – Suffolk Soul Singers

1<sup>st</sup> October – Daniel Law (piano)

8<sup>th</sup> October – The Gainsborough Quartet

15<sup>th</sup> October – Musicology – Vocal Group

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Ipswich Hospital Band

Free admission with voluntary contributions are invited for the Blossom Appeal at Ipswich Hospital

Refreshments are provided after the concerts

### **Next United Service**

on 24<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm

at Rushmere Baptist Church