Readings for Sunday 27th July The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19) Luke 11:1-13

Readings for Thursday 31st July

Exodus 40:16-21, 34-end Psalm 84:1-6 Matthew 13:47-53

Readings for Sunday 3rd August The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

Readings for Thursday 7th August

Numbers 20:1-13 Psalm 95:1, 8-end Matthew 16:13-23

Readings for Sunday 10th August The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 15:1-6 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40

Readings for Thursday 14th August

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

Readings for Sunday 17th August The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Jeremiah 23:23-29 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56

Readings for Thursday 21st August

Judges 11:29-end Psalm 40:4-11 Matthew 22:1-14

Readings for Sunday 24th August

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 58:9b-end Hebrews 12:18-end Luke 13:10-17

Readings for Thursday 28th August

1 Thessalonians 3:7-end Psalm 90:13-end Matthew 24:42-end

The next first Sunday United Service, Sunday 3rd August at 6.30pm is at the special and peaceful church of St John the Baptist, Brightwell, IP10 0BE; part of the Martlesham Benefice.

If you are unsure how to find this church please ask a member of the Ministry Team, or a churchwarden.



St Andrew's Rushmere **Focus for Weeks** 27th July - 30th August





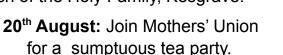
Join us at St Andrew's for this year's **Wednesday Wonders**



6th August: Enjoy some music with a Ukulele Band



13th August: Join us for a visit to the Church of the Holy Family, Kesgrave.







27th August: 'On The Buses'. A talk given by Ed Nicholls



All will take place in the church hall at 2.30pm, except the Kesgrave church visit on 13th.

Refreshments and cake included. The wonders are free to enjoy, but donations will be welcome.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheets available in church.

For more details contact Sue: 01473 723957



St Andrew's Mothers' Union

We had a very good Wave of Prayer service in July when we especially remembered the overseas dioceses which are linked to St Edmundsbury and lpswich Diocese.



In August we have our summer Garden Party and are inviting all who come to 'Wednesday Wonders' to join us, we hope in the Church Hall garden to enjoy some entertainment and one of the MU's sumptuous teas! There will be no charge but donations towards the MU 'Summer of Hope' will be gratefully received! This takes place on Wednesday August 20th.

Advance Notice: on Tuesday September 30th we are having a day's outing to The Hut at Felixstowe and invite anyone who would like a day by the seaside to join us. We hope to provide plenty of transport and aim to be there from about 10.30am till 4pm. There will be coffee in the morning, fish and chips and ice cream for lunch and finally tea and cake before coming home! The Hut is on the promenade near the Spa gardens so a nice place for a walk. Last year it rained but we still had a lovely day playing cards and games, relaxing and chatting. We think the cost will be £15 per person which we shall collect on the day, this covers the hire of the Hut and all the food. Do come and join us.

August Mission Breakfast: sharing food, a talk, and opportunity for prayer on Saturday 23rd August

8.30am to 10am in the church hall.





Church of England Children's Society

Many Thanks to all our Box holders who gave me their boxes to empty very promptly! They have all been emptied, counted and the money sent to the Children's Society.

Despite losing 2 or 3 of our box holders, the result was excellent, a little bit up on last year - £672.40 compared to £670.60 last year! Many thanks to all concerned and if anyone else would like a box please let me know. I know many of us do not have many coins around but paper money is just as good!!

Tricia Tyler (07951817543)

Rushmere Remembers: VJ Day

Rushmere St Andrew Parish Council in conjunction with our church are planning a commemoration of VJ Day in the evening of **Friday**, **15**th **August**.

The event will commence with the bells being rung with a quarter peal at 7.00pm, the official start time being 7.30pm. Sunset at 8.22pm will be marked with bugle playing and this will be followed by a time of reflection, prayer and music in church, near the credence area. There will be displays in the new end of church.

Refreshments, on a wartime theme, will be served in the church hall between 8.45 and 9.30pm and there will be a light show focussed on the church tower from 8.30pm.

We are also hoping there will be some vehicles from that era parked on the front car park.

Please come and join us during the evening to mark this important anniversary.

Going for Gold: We did it!

In case you have not heard! Congratulations everyone, you all contributed to our Eco Gold Award. We continue the journey, working on reducing our carbon footprint and recording species seen around our churchyard, as well as supporting other churches on their Eco journeys.

Archdeacon Sam, will be joining us at our service on 3rd August for a celebration Worship for All Service and Baptism. Please stay after the service for Fizz (non alcoholic) and Cake.

Join us at our next Coffee Morning
Saturday August 16th 10.00am – 11.30am
in the Church Hall
Enjoy a bring and buy stall, raffle,
plus refreshments



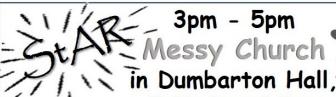


Coming up in September...

Harvest Quiz September 27th 6 – 8pm as part of our Harvest Festival Celebrations.

Includes Ploughman's Supper, tea/coffee.
Free, but donations are welcome
Phone Sue: 01473 723957





Not in August, then Sunday 28th September, Saturday 25th October, Saturday 22nd November.

Messy Church full of joy, fun and musical energy with crafts and food for all the family!

Free entrance! All welcome!

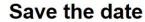
Children must bring an adult. For more information email alancomfort11@gmail.com

Ways of Giving

We are very blessed to have a most generous congregation who give freely of themselves and their financial resources. For this we are extremely grateful and we have many ways to make giving as easy as possible.

Also, we can claim Gift Aid, increasing each donation by a further 25% at no extra cost to the givers, so long as they pay sufficient Income Tax, (or Capital Gains Tax) in the current tax year to cover their donations.

The next Focus is 31st August - 4th October Please email items to: standrewr@proton.me or phone Claire 07971 334142, 01473 623419 By 9pm Friday 22nd August



MURDER MYSTERY EVENING



On Saturday, 25th October at 6.30pm In St Andrew's Church Hall



All proceeds will go to our CMS Mission Partners in Southern Africa.

Ipswich Town Pastors the charity of the month for July, was the focus of our Mission Prayer Breakfast on 28th June. We enjoyed an informative talk about their work supporting and transforming lives on the streets of Ipswich.



Being an independent inter-denominational organisation they bring a Christian presence on Saturday nights in central Ipswich from 10.00pm until 3.00am in the morning. All volunteers are given full training and work in pairs supported by prayer.

They work with the Police and Council, supporting the vulnerable, helping the genuinely homeless, while also seeking medical attention for those in need. They also work with the door staff at venues and look out for people who are not there for a good night out, who seek to exploit vulnerable people or cause trouble.

The Town Pastors watch behaviour at cash points, fast food outlets, Taxi ranks, the station, hotels and toilets. They help a wide range of people in need without judging and try to encourage people to behave responsibly and stay with their friends. They share the Christian message when appropriate.

The Town Pastors are always in need of more volunteers to keep everyone safe on the streets of Ipswich each Saturday night.