

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Dates for the Diary

Sunday 1st September	10am	Holy Communion
Sunday 1st September	6:30pm	Home Group@The Mill
Monday 2nd September	3pm	HC @ St Joseph's
Tuesday 3rd September	1:30pm	Ministry Team Meet
Wednesday 4th September	11am	Holy Communion
Thursday 5th September	6pm	Meditation
Thursday 5th September	7:30pm	Finance subcommittee
Saturday 7th September	10am	Coffee Morning
Sunday 8th September	10am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th September	6:30pm	Home Group @Mill

Lots of towns have "rock painting" taking place all over them! Literally, it is garden stones that are painted in pretty patterns and colours and left about town. Created to bring a smile to anyone who finds them. Some are very intricately decorated and are a joy to behold! If you receive one ... on your doorstep, by your garden gate ... or you find one on your travels ... you are encouraged to re-hide it for someone else to find and enjoy. Claire found one when she left AS Church Hall the other day. It was sitting on the step for her when she locked up. Claire didn't re-hide it but left it for any hall users to admire ... Maybe it might still be there? Here it is:

Rock Out!



Rector: Revd Andrew Doarks

It is great to be back and I'm looking forward to a new academic year, with opportunities to grow the team and for us all to grow together in faith as disciples of Christ.

Home groups start up again in the week of the 9th September, and if you have not joined one - do consider it as a great way to get to know others and deepen your faith in a close group setting.

Some of you might be familiar with 'Iknowchurch' - a database we have had for sometime. We have been working towards switching to a new one 'churchsuite', which meets our current needs well and we shall be rolling this out gradually over the coming weeks. More to follow!

Andrew

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TODAY

Bible Passages

Proper 17

First Reading
Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9

Second Reading:
James 1:17-27

Children's work:

Junior Church will be meeting
in the Vestry

Creche in the north Aisle

QR code to give to the work of
the church



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All contributions for the
Newsletter to be received by
Thursday at 9am for Sunday.
email
stgregsnewsletter@gmail.com

Andrew and Claire are
available Thursday 12:30- 2pm
this week at The Rectory.

Ride and Stride

Saturday 14th September is Heritage weekend and Ride and Stride. Church will be manned from 9am till 4pm, with bell-ringing in the morning. There are sponsorship forms at the back of church... if you can't ride, consider a stride! Half the money raised by us comes back to St Gregory's Church. nb, No access to the church in the afternoon due to a concert.

NEW Parish Administrator Mobile: 07776955306 (please do use the voicemail facility if Claire is not available to answer) A reminder that she works on Tuesdays and might not monitor her inbox outside these hours.

Annual Leave

Claire is on Annual Leave the week of Monday 23rd September.

After the **RAF second Standard** is to be used in a parade on 15th October it will be permanently fixed to the Church wall in St. Gregory's Church and we will have photos and some background behind both the Standards displayed. Watch this space and in the meantime do take a look at the first Standard which is already in place.

We would like to open St. Gregory's Church throughout BST between 11am and 2pm. If you would be willing to open up the church and remain there for this period for any day during the week, please could you let Claire or Andrew know.

St Gregory's Choir

Our choir has doubled in size, which is great news, and we hope to continue to grow! We practise once a fortnight at 5pm on a Friday in the church - do come along! We are a choir family with our own very active WhatsApp group. We hope to lead you in worship and join you for coffee afterwards. Hilly P

Blue Badge Holders

There is currently a heavy backlog with processing applications and renewals for blue badges. The new advice is to apply 18 weeks in advance of your badge expiring. Traffic Wardens are very busy in Sudbury, particularly on a Sunday morning, and will not accept a note stating a badge has been applied for as permission to park.

The New Gates

Those of us with keys to lock the new gates to the church, please take care to turn the key twice and check they are firmly locked

Coffee Morning

The next one is Saturday 7th September, from 10.00 to 12pm at St Gregory's Church Coffee/Tea/Biscuits or Cake, Nearly New Stall and Raffle. Please speak to Pauline or Avis if you can help. Do come along and enjoy tea and cake... and raising money!

Churches Together Prayer Breakfasts

We meet from 8 to 9.30am for a light breakfast, a time of fellowship and a time for prayer. Do join us if you can. You will be most welcome, whether you have never been before, or have not been for a couple of years, or are a regular! No prayer breakfasts in August

- 7 September All Saints' Church Hall
- 14 September St John's Methodist
- 21 September Salvation Army, Sudbury.
- 28 September Sudbury Baptist

Kettle and Fish

We will be serving the same delicious food and providing the same friendly welcome as always, 10am to 1.30pm at Suffolk Road Church, next to Aldi.

The dates for the coming weeks are:
12, 19, 26 September.
10, 17, 24, 31 October.

Great food, an opportunity to chat, and always someone on hand for a conversation about the Christian faith or to pray with you.

Hand Bells

Come and join our free, friendly group. No experience necessary. We meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month . Next session Sat 14 September 10am-12pm. Contact Sue on 07779854199

Quiet Time Suggestion

You might like to read these daily reflections from Our Daily Bread ministries

<https://odb.org/2024/07/18/renewing-our-strength>

Time to Pray

The leaflet for the four weeks from Sunday, 18 August 2024, is [here](#)