

PRAYING FOR OUR SCHOOLS...

ST MARY'S SCHOOL

Pray for the teaching staff as they prepare the children for their Christmas plays, which will not be performed in front of parents due to the Covid restrictions. **Pray** for a refreshing Christmas break for the staff who have had more to do with implementing new ways of working due to Covid restrictions. **Pray** that the children will have a true sense of wonder of our Lord God coming down to earth as a human being.

THE WAY INN AND OPEN DOOR

Please **pray** for all those who are particularly fearful at the moment and are feeling lonely and isolated.

Pray for more Volunteers and Trustees to help with God's work in the community for both The Way Inn and Open Door. **Give thanks** for those who have stepped forward so far to help our work and ask God to guide us and show us the way forward as we try to plan for the future at this difficult time for us all.

GIDEONS - REGIONAL CONVENTION

"Please continue to **pray** for the 8 Schools we have contacted offering New Testaments (NTs)

pray for their students that they will reply with a positive response. We **give praise** for a 2nd school to accept our offer, that of Tring Park School (TPS) who have requested 100 NTs Please **pray** that the pupils of both TPS and Tring School will be blessed through reading these NTs especially at this season of Advent, that the Lord will make His face shine on them."

PARISH COMMUNITY PANTRY

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ST MARYS CHURCH, NORTHCHURCH, NORTHCHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH, & OPEN DOOR.

Whilst some families have enjoyed an abundance of food during the lock down, there has also been a few families that have found 'Ends hard to meet'. At this time of year it can be even harder, so we are putting together Christmas hampers for a few families and would welcome the following...

New and unused gifts - hats, gloves, sticker books, coloured pens.

Christmas food - puddings, cakes, mince pies, biscuits, sweets.

General food - tinned fruit, vegetables and meats. pasta sauces, stock cubes, tea, coffee, UHT milk, spreads, jam, marmite, breakfast cereal.

Toiletries - new and unused gift packs for men, women and children. Toothpaste, brushes, Toilet rolls.

Thank you in advance for your donations. If they could be left in the box provided by at each venue, *they will be very much appreciated.*

JULIAN MEETING

There are no meetings planned at the moment.

Contact: Ruth Treves-Brown

3 Sherwood Mews

Next Prayer Breakfast Saturday 19 December

Reflection by Peter Hyatt

PRAYER BREAKFAST

November/December 2020

*Praying for the town and
surrounding villages*



Advent, the season of hope and expectation.

**O God, restore us and cause Your face to
shine upon us, and we will be saved.**

Psalm 80:3 [NASB]

Welcome - we're glad you joined us!

KINGS ROAD CHURCH

Give thanks for the sense of momentum, that God is moving, and in particular opening up the way for a new pastor. Please **pray** for God to bless the annual Christmas Fair which this year will be online. Also for his Spirit to help us adapt to living with covid-19 and to see the opportunities the pandemic offers for sharing the love of Christ. **Pray** especially that our love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that we may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.

SUNNYSIDE

Give thanks that our new Youth Team Leader, Luke has been appointed and pray for him as he moves to Berkhamsted at the end of the month to begin his work."

BBC

"Please continue to **pray** for BBC as they continue to go through the steps in search for a new minister. **Please pray** for all those who are experiencing many setbacks, in health both physically and mentally and lack of finance; but at the same time **give thanks** for all those who are faithfully helping those in need; giving of their time sacrificially. **Give thanks** to God and all key workers who are helping us all through this very difficult time."

BOURNE END

Give thanks for our weekly virtual prayer meeting and **pray** that we would be able to share the hope of Jesus with our community this Christmas despite the Coronavirus restrictions."

ST PETERS'

"Whilst we cannot worship together in person, we **pray** that individuals will feel connected to each other and to God and that the Church building of St Peter's may be a place of sanctuary and refuge for this town. **Pray** for the charity, 'People Not Borders' and the work they do to help refugees across the world. As the temperature drops, **pray** that people will be generous in contributing to their winter appeal collecting coats, boots and sleeping bags.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

"Please **pray** for All Saints' in the continued uncertainty as we look towards Christmas and how to share the message of Christmas with those around us. Also remember those in our community who are feeling lonely at the moment, particularly those who live alone."

NBC

"Dear friends, thanks for continuing to **pray** for the churches here in the town. Please **pray** for us all and for NBC to get our message right at this tricky time. Let us speak about the current societal evils, the dark, the fear and the confusion so that when we speak about Jesus, the light, the truth and the love, people can understand why He came. May we get our message and our carols and our nativities, and our pastoral care and prayer right at this Christmas time."

HOSPICE OF ST FRANCIS

Please continue to **pray** for all the staff and the families who have received the rest and refreshment they need and deserve.

SACRED HEART, BERKHAMSTED & CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

"Heavenly Father, during this time of pandemic, We **pray** for joy in our hearts, hope in our God, love to forgive, and peace upon earth. We **pray** for your blessings on our parishes and WE in turn **pray** for your blessings on all people. May there be bread for the hungry, love for the unlovable, healing for the sick, protection for our children, and wisdom for our youth. We **pray** for the forgiveness of our sins and for the fullness of life in Christ.

Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with your love. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**"

HOLY TRINITY, POTTEN END

"During the month of November we've had a Remembrance trail in our churchyard. There are various prayer stations for people to take time to stop to remember either loved ones departed or those who have given their lives in the service of the country. Please **pray** for God to hold and to comfort all those who are suffering through loss. Cherishing memories of those gone but never forgotten and for God to shine his light, love and peace in our darkness."

ST MARY'S

Give thanks that the Parish Pantry is meeting the needs of our community.

Give thanks for the contribution Miranda Seldon is making to our services.

Pray that we will be able to celebrate Christ's coming to earth in a meaningful and memorable way."