



Thursday 5 November

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Growing in God

Following the announcement by the Prime Minister on 31 October 2020, the Church of England is reviewing advice to churches. Please visit the Church of England page [here](#) and the Diocesan guidance page [here](#) for the latest up to date information.

Senior church leaders call for a month of prayer for the nation ahead of second lockdown

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York and a number of senior church leaders are inviting Christians across the nation to participate in the month of prayer – launching today – as a second lockdown in England comes into force.

Throughout the month, Christians will be encouraged to pray daily for a specific area of national concern, wherever they are, culminating into a collective moment of prayer at 6.00pm each evening, with cathedrals and churches across the country invited to ring a bell at this time. You are invited to follow a simple seven-day prayer cycle, praying for a specific area each day including the NHS and frontline workers, the bereaved, and those struggling with physical and mental ill-health, and for children and young people.

Full details including the Archbishops letter can all be found on the Church of England website: churchofengland.org/PrayerForTheNation. Prayers and other resources will be shared on social media with the hashtag #PrayerForTheNation.

St Edmundsbury Cathedral is responding to the call for a month of prayer for the nation by livestreaming daily Evening Prayer services. The Cathedral will livestream its services via Facebook. Full details can be found stedscathedral.org/worship

Virtual candles can also be lit and prayers left on the Prayer wall stedscathedral.org/prayer-wall

Suffolk in Prayer - Power of Prayer are offering an ecumenical week of prayer 15 – 22 November 2020 culminating in the Feast of Christ the King on 22 November.

Following the pattern of the Lord's Prayer with leaders from major denominations in Suffolk helping us to learn from and pray through a different phrase of the Lord's Prayer each day. To join the online events or to advertise a prayer event which you are hosting during the week please get in contact with Kathy Wilson at thefarmbythewater@gmail.com. For more information please go to www.light-wave.org/suffolk-in-prayer.

The week will end with a county-wide Ecumenical celebration at St Edmundsbury Cathedral at 3.30pm on Sunday 22 November 2020, which will be livestreamed from the Cathedral Facebook page [here](#).



Remembrance Sunday online services 8 November 2020

Online services will be led by many churches across the county, please visit www.achurchnearyou.com to find online links.

At 10.00am St Edmundsbury Cathedral is holding a live streamed Remembrance Sunday concluding with an Act of Remembrance at 11.00am. You will be able to view this service on their Facebook page [here](#).

Radio Suffolk is live streaming a Remembrance service from Christchurch Park in Ipswich at 10.45am with the service starting at 10.55am, hosted by Kevin Burch and available on their Facebook page [here](#).

Bishop Martin, the Revd Mark Lowther, the Revd Richard Stretch, Archdeacon Rhiannon King and the Revd Simon Harvey will all be featured in Radio Suffolk's morning faith show on Sunday along with an 8.00am Remembrance Sunday church service led by Anglican Bishop to the Forces, the Rt Revd Tim Thornton.

Nationally there will be a service led by military chaplains at which tributes will be paid to all those who have served and continue to serve in the Armed Forces. It will also give thanks for the families and others who provide care and support. To view this service at 9.00am please visit the Church of England's Facebook page [here](#).

Doorstep Remembrance - Because of Covid-19, there are requirements this year that attendance at publicly organised Acts of Remembrance is kept to a minimum. To enable community Remembrance in Suffolk, we encourage as many as possible to observe Remembrance on your doorstep with a two minutes silence at 11 o'clock on Remembrance Sunday, 8 November.

This doorstep Act of Remembrance is adapted for personal or family use and is downloadable [here](#). It could also be used inside your home and/or on 11 November at 11 o'clock. There is space for you to add names from your local war memorial.

MSM Flexi - Mission in Recovery

Saturday 7 November 10.00am to 12.30pm
Zoom



During lockdown many of us have been forced to reflect on what it means to be the Church. How do we share the love of God with the whole community when our church buildings are/were closed? As we move from the first stage of responding to the Covid-19 Pandemic, we are entering (with some set backs) what some describe as the recovery stage.

MSM flexi is hosting three mornings over the next 12 months to consider together what God

is calling us to.

The first exciting session on Saturday is about Mission in Recovery. Free to MSM flexi participants and a bargain at £5 to others

Please book your place at [eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk).

Rediscovering Prophecy with Bishop Mike and Ceri Harris

Saturday 14 November 2020 10.00am – 1.00pm
Zoom



Jesus said that his followers would “hear his voice.” The apostle Paul tells us to “eagerly desire the gift of prophecy.” So how do we learn to listen, and what does it mean to listen together?

Join us for a taster workshop in learning to listen and in building a prophetic culture that is healthy and wholesome in our churches. Remember, prophecy is a gift to encourage and we all need that!

Ceri Harris leads Accessible Prophecy in the UK. Accessible Prophecy helps local churches grow a healthy and mature prophetic culture. Ceri writes, “Learning to recognise and gain confidence in using this gift has been an important part of my journey. It’s always been there, but identifying it and intentionally leaning in to it has been and an important part

of God’s calling. I am delighted to help others discover and gain confidence in the prophetic in the way that I have been helped.”

Free of charge, but please register: [rediscoveringprophecy.eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.rediscoveringprophecy.eventbrite.co.uk). Enquiries to Lesley Steed on 01473 298510 or lesley.steed@cofesuffolk.org. The Zoom link will be sent the day before the event to the email address under which the event booking was made.

Notices

Parish officers data collection - thank you to those who have returned their data forms. Any further submissions should be sent to alison.barker@cofesuffolk.org. Thank you.

Sunday’s Bible readings The Revd Canon Tim Jones has produced a series of Bible readings in a word search for you to use. These will be available weekly, please download [this word search](#) suitable for Sunday 8 November.

Vacancies

[Children's and Families' Worker/Pastor for Lindbergh Road Community Church](#) | Closing date 12 November 2020.



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