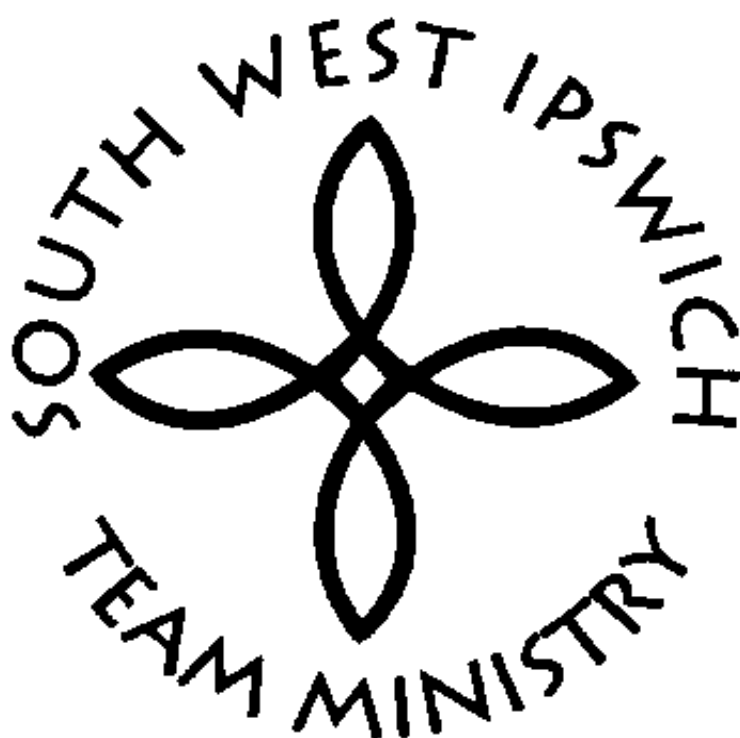


South West Ipswich Team Ministry

Prayer Diary



February 2021

Please see the Prayer for Growth on the back page.

Monday 1st February – we pray for the vaccination programme, for those doing the injections, for the administration staff and those delivering the vaccine to centres.

Tuesday 2nd February – we pray, on the Feast of Candlemas, that we may be lights in our community continuing to support our family, neighbours and friends.

Wednesday 3rd February – we pray for Ipswich Night Shelter, for the manager, volunteers and guests using the new facilities.

Thursday 4th February – we pray for Andrew Payne, for his work as mission enabler and for the chaplains to the emergency services.

Friday 5th February – we pray for those whose livelihood has been affected by Brexit.

Saturday 6th February – we pray for those who control social media that they maintain our right to responsible freedom of speech.

Sunday 7th February – we pray for those who have lost family members and friends to Covid.

Monday 8th February – we pray for the peace makers in Israel and Palestine.

Tuesday 9th February – we pray for all who work in the NHS coping with Covid and winter pressures, that there will be enough resources to maintain a good service.

Wednesday 10th February – we pray for those who are unemployed, especially young people, and that people will be willing to take on jobs which are available.

Thursday 11th February – we pray for those students coming to terms with the changes in examination requirements this year and their tutors.

Friday 12th February – we pray for the Pop-up-Shop at St. Francis, for volunteers collecting the food, running the shop and our customers.

Saturday 13th February – we pray on National Radio Day for our local radio stations and development of radio across the world, particularly the weather forecasting service giving warnings of impending storms.

Sunday 14th February – we pray for all couples planning to get married this year.

Monday 15th February – we pray for those whose relationships have suffered and have broken down due to the Covid pandemic.

Tuesday 16th February – we pray for the work of Hope into Action and the tenants that live in our parish.

Wednesday 17th February – we pray on Ash Wednesday that we may have a Holy Lent.

Thursday 18th February – we pray for those areas of Africa where there is war and famine, for the peacemakers.

Friday 19th February – we pray for the council workforce keeping our roads open during the winter months.

Saturday 20th February – we pray for those who have lost the power of speech through illness and for the work of speech therapists.

Sunday 21st February – we pray for our Clergy and Churchwarden teams.

Monday 22nd February – we pray for all those working towards social justice.

Tuesday 23rd February – we pray that women around the world will be valued and that girls will not be forced into early marriage.

Wednesday 24th January – we pray for the engineers who keep us supplied with gas, water and electricity and those working on supplying renewable energy.

Thursday 25th February – we pray for the victims of modern day slavery.

Friday 26th February – we pray for the work of FIND.

Saturday 27th February – we pray, on the day we celebrate hymn writer George Herbert, for all modern hymn writers and composers.

Sunday 28th February – we pray for displaced people living in refugee camps.

We invite you to join with us and to pray for the growth of the church in Ipswich by using this prayer, first used as a part of the Leading Your Church into Growth (LYCiG) weekend held between the 27th and 29th November.

God of mission,
who alone brings growth to your church.

Send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions
and power to our witness.

Help your church here in Ipswich
to grow younger, to grow in numbers and to grow leaders;
in spiritual commitment to you and in service
to our local community.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen