



# PRAYER DIARY

## JANUARY 2021

### *1st*

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After the strangest year for many of us in 2020, please remember CYM as we commit this New Year to our Heavenly Father and as a charity go forward in His strength.

Happy New Year to all our wonderful supporters.

### *2nd*

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Please pray for volunteers as Beth continues to develop the community youth work in Nacton. Pray that people would come forward who have a passion for the area and seeing young people flourish.

### *3rd*

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Please pray for our Trustees and Simon during this month as they prepare and approve budgets for the coming financial year. Please pray for wisdom as they do work through the challenges that the past year has brought.

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St John's Primary School start the new term today. Please pray for renewed energy as they begin the term and that they will know the presence of God in all that they do.

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Please pray for all the staff and students at St Matthew's Primary School as they begin a new term. We pray that any students we coach or have conversations with will feel valued and that the staff will be encouraged in all that they do.

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Pray for all staff at Westbridge Academy that they feel energised for the year ahead.

### *7th*

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Ant has appreciated your prayers and thankful that he has been able to continue offering much needed fellowship for staff through the 'Recharge' café. Please pray for ministry opportunities in Chantry Academy and for developing staff spiritual care & refreshment.

### *8th*

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Mark asks for prayers for one of the units within the Raedwald trust. Please pray for peace in that place at this time.

### *9th*

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Please pray today for Ormiston Endeavour Academy as they return to school after Christmas. We pray that they would continue finding the joy they have felt over the holiday period.

### *10th*

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Please pray for Lucy as she works to develop this year's 'Big Weekend'. Please ask God to speak into the planning and lead the team as we shape the weekend in a safe and exciting way.

### *11th*

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Please pray for the atmosphere at ONE at this time and also for Lorraine as she shares her love of Jesus in that place.

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Please pray that, even with student bubbles, it will be possible for more reflection and youth participation activities this term in Chantry Academy. Ant has invested in rainbow themed resources of hope and thankfulness!

### *13th*

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Please pray for both St John's and St Matthew's Primary Schools as they start the new year. Let's pray that the teachers and children have been able to return to school with energy & enthusiasm.

## 14th

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One of the words that has appeared for us in prayer and reflection regarding residential ministry is 'space'. Today we encourage you to find space and meditate on just how amazing God is.

## 15th

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Please thank God today for all the young people who we made connections with whilst walking around Nacton and Gainsborough during this difficult time. Pray that those relationships would continue to grow.

## 16th

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Pray for the Year 11s at Westbridge Academy that they wouldn't become unsettled as they head into their last few months of schooling.

## 17th

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Teachers have continued to be under a lot of stress since the start of the pandemic. Please pray for them and those working alongside them.

## 18th

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Please pray for all the staff at St Matthew's Primary School as they begin their Christmas Holidays that they will be reminded of the love Jesus has for them and they are able to use this time for rest after a busy term.

## 19th

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Josh Goddard asks for prayer as he continues to forge relationships and build a network at Ormiston Academy, especially with the teachers as he begins to support them.

## 20th

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Mark asks for prayer for a member of staff at the Raedwald trust. He doesn't live locally and his wife has cancer, so he keeps having to go back and forth to Coventry. It's a really tough time for him, doing the job and dealing with that too!

## 21st

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Please pray today that God will continue to provide what we need, when we need it, for the work of CYM in Ipswich. We want to be obedient to His will in our town.

## 22nd

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Today we have training in mentoring for some members of the team, please remember them in your prayers as they learn a new skill to use within the team.

## 23rd

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Please uphold Simon today as he leans into God for direction and help in leading and equipping CYM going forwards.

## 24th

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Dan, Chaplain at Stoke, asks us to pray for students who have had recent bereavements in their families. We pray that they will feel peace and have the time to grieve as they remember their loved ones in a positive light.

## 25th

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Josh A shares another word that has come up again and again – 'simplicity'. Sometimes we can make things so complicated or we are consumed with doing things. A piece of wisdom that was recently shared was "we too often underestimate being, and overestimate doing." Today, in space, just praise God for how much He loves you!

## 26th

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Please pray for the students at ONE as many suffer with anxiety and mental health issues at this time.

## 27th

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Please pray for Lucy and Mirin today as they meet online with Ridley College to review Mirin's progress this year and look at ways to continue supporting and encouraging her development.

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Prayers today please for the Head Teachers of St Matthew's and St John's Primaries as they lead their schools amongst continued restrictions and extra logistics due to the virus. Pray that they are led by the hope that Jesus brings.

## 29th

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Our thoughts today go to all the staff working in our schools and colleges that they may be strengthened & encouraged.

## 30th

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Please can you pray for all the students at Stoke Academy who are suffering from memories of trauma from past situations in their short lives. Pray for healing of their thoughts and peace in their mental state.

## 31st

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Prayers for the Trustees; for wisdom, understanding and discernment as they wait on the Lord as they lead the charity forwards.