



**St Helen's  
St Edmund's**

## Vision Sunday - January 2024

1. Early January tends to be a time of year when we look back over the last year and looking forward to the coming year. As you look back over the last year and a bit (since the church graft) what are you thankful to God about? Why not pause and make time to turn these things to prayers of thanks now?
2. Over the last year we have been praying prayers like this - "would you grow us to be a family on mission, delighting together in Jesus Christ". Have a read of Acts 2:42-47 which gives a glimpse of the early church in Jerusalem. In what ways do we see them being a family on mission, delighting together in Jesus?
3. Think of a friend of yours coming to church. What do you hope they will notice about what characterises us?
4. How do you think we might increasingly be a family on mission, delighting together in Jesus Christ over the coming year?
5. There are 4 areas we are currently focusing on as a church:
  - a) Growing Younger
  - b) Building stepping stones
  - c) Taking next steps in building for the future at St Helen's
  - d) Being more visible

What is meant by each of these? Pick one or two of them and consider how as a church we might move forward.

6. There is an old Christian rhyming couplet; 'Satan trembles when he sees, the weakest saint upon his knees.' This is God's church and his mission. Will you commit to praying for him to be at work among us over the coming year? What might this mean in practise?