



# St Margaret's Church

"We are disciples of Jesus, making disciples for Jesus."

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## Sunday 29th March – Palm Sunday

### WELCOME TO SAINT MARGARET'S!

We are one church with three congregations. We meet on Sundays in St. Margaret's church building (9.30 and 11.00) and in Victoria Road Chapel (10.30). We hope and pray that you meet with God here today. If you wish to find out more about who we are and what we do, please speak to one of the people with a badge. Have a wonderful day!

### Services Today - Sunday 29th March

10.30am at Victoria Road Chapel

Next Week Sunday 5th April

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship

### CHEQUES

Just a reminder - cheques are to be made payable to **PCC of Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking**.

The bank will not accept cheques made out in any other way, sorry

### COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross; grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

### EASTER EGGS

We are collecting Easter Eggs, again, for a children's Easter Egg Hunt and the local care homes. We would be extremely grateful for donations of Chocolate Eggs, and especially grateful for the various knitted bunnies, chicks and flowers. Last year the children hunted for over 100 standard eggs and we gave over 100 Easter treats to our local Care Homes. Please,

### Easter Services

Palm Sunday 29th March with Palm crosses to take home

**Good Friday** - Hot Cross Buns served all day.

9.30am Walk of Witness around town.

11am Creative Worship with Fried Egg

Sandwiches 3.30pm Stainer's Crucifixion, a Choral Reflection with Dramatised Reading.

### Easter Sunday

Son rise Service at One Tree Hill.

9.30am Holy Communion.

11am Family Service with Easter Egg Hunt. Easter Eggs for everyone attending one of today's services

### Mothers' April Events

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Service for Holy Week at 2pm in the Hall

Please note that there will be no Craft Circle on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> - Easter Reflections at 2pm in the Hall

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - An evening with Bill and Elizabeth at 7.30pm at 3 Rectory Road/

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Talk by Karine Bienvenue on "Activities for older people" at 2pm in the Hall

### Bell Ringing Practices

2nd April no practice

9th April no practice

16th April practice 7.30-9pm

23rd April practice 7.30-9pm

30th April practice 7.30-9pm

### Passover Meal

Monday 30th March at 6.30 p.m. at Emmanuel Church Chadwell St Mary.

Numbers are restricted so first come first booked.

Please contact Les Brock on 01375 891 684 to book

### Things to pray for this week

**Mon 30th** Pray for the residents of Old Jenkins Close and also pray for parents who have to work and find it difficult for their children to be looked after during the school holidays.

**Tue 31st** Pray for the residents of Oxford Road and also pray for all those taking leading parts in our services and other Christian duties this week. Pray that they will feel God's presence in all that they do and that people who do not yet know Jesus will come to some of the services and activities that are open to them this week.

**Wed 1st** Pray for the residents of Park Road and as we approach the time of year when we perhaps think more deeply about Jesus' death and resurrection, we pray that we ourselves will make a deeper commitment to serving God.

**Thu 2nd MAUNDY THURSDAY** Pray for the residents of Poley Road. After Jesus had washed his disciples' feet his challenge to them was to serve others just as he had served them. Pray that all who work with Scripture Union may prove to be, as the international Aims put it, servants of a world in need' and that they may encourage all those they work with to become mature disciples and effective servants.

**Fri 3rd GOOD FRIDAY** Pray for the residents of Prospect Avenue. Lord Jesus, our Redeemer, we praise and worship You for dying for us on the cross, taking the punishment that we deserve and paying the debt that we owe because of our sin. Help us to understand more of the grace and truth of this wonderful gospel. Amen.

**Sat 4th** Pray for the residents of Rayleigh Road and also pray for parents who are growing older and are concerned that they may no longer be able to look after their adult children with learning disabilities. Give thanks for the work of the Christian charity 'Prospects', supporting individuals to live as independently as possible.

**Sun 5th EASTER SUNDAY** Pray for the residents of Romsey Close. Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though they die and whoever lives by believing in me will never die." John 11 v 25 Christ is risen. Hallelulah! .

### Thought for the Week

"Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

### Bible Readings for the Week:

Isaiah 50 v 4 - 9a,

Psalm 31 v 9 - 16,

Philippians 2 v 5 - 11,

Mark 14 v 1 - 15

### Garden Fete

We would be grateful for any of the following: teddies, bottles, plants, cakes, unwanted gifts, gift bags, prizes, vouchers, stationery, dusters, tea towels, toiletries, jewellery, hair decorations, pillow cases, bottles of anything (eg shampoo, wine, lemonade, whisky, nail varnish, champagne, cola, vinegar, fruit drinks, water), soft toys, pens, gift vouchers, pencils, cakes, stationery, black sacks, washing up liquid, DVDs, toys, biscuits, disposable cups, items for china & glass stall, tea-towels, dusters, dishcloths, hats, scarves, candy floss, t-shirts, homemade cards, chocolate, disposable plates and cutlery, cans of drink, eggs, bubbles, lollies, jams, chutneys, marmalades, craft work, pocket money toys, handmade items, plants, tea, coffee, milk, sugar, squash, crockery for smashing, sweets, drinks, crisps, straw bales, knitted pig, coconuts, Jaffa cakes, popcorn, tug of war rope and blackboards.

### Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll will be open from Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March until Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2015. If you attend St. Margaret's regularly and live in the parish or if you have regularly attended St. Margaret's for the past six months and are over 16 years of age and have been baptised you are entitled to be put on the Electoral Roll. The list of people already on the Electoral Roll will be displayed in church on the notice board behind the church door. If your name does not appear on the Electoral Roll and you feel that it should be, please contact Pat Pickett Electoral Roll Officer for a form. She can be contacted at the Church Office most mornings or email [norpat24@talktalk.net](mailto:norpat24@talktalk.net). The APCM will be held in Church on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 3.30pm. All people on the Electoral Roll should attend. This is the time when we elect new people onto the Church Council.