



St Margaret's Church

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

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Sunday 14th January – Epiphany 2

WELCOME TO SAINT MARGARET'S!

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 us.

Have a wonderful day!

Services in the Hall

Sunday 14th January

9.30am Morning Prayer

11am Holy Communion with Sunday School

Sunday 21st January

9.30am Holy Communion

11am Morning Worship with Sunday School

Sunday 28th January

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am All Age Worship

Sunday 4th February

9.30am Holy Communion

11am Morning Worship with Sunday School

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence; renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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

Mothers' Union January Events

Monday 15th - Committee Meeting at 2pm in Hall

Thursday 18th - Talk by Graham Marshall 'Life's twists and turns' at 7.30pm in 23 Scratton Road

Wednesday 24th - AGM at 2pm in Hall

Wednesday 14th February 12noon Holy Communion followed by Frugal Lunch in the Hall

Wednesdays 21st February to 28th March Lent Course in the Hall

PCC Meeting

Monday 15th January 7.30pm in Church Hall.

Please come prepared. Next Meetings:

Monday 19th February and Monday 19th March

Refresh Lunch

Tuesday 16th January 2018 at 12noon in Stanford-le-Hope Methodist Youth Hall £4.

See Kay Alcon for further information.

Next Lunch Tuesday 20th February

Holocaust Memorial Day

The annual event to mark Holocaust Memorial Day will be held on Friday 26th January 2018, at 11am in the Palmers Rest Gardens, Grays. The service and laying of stones is expected to last around 45 minutes.

Big Bengal Bash

Monday 29th January at 7.30pm at Essence of Bengal, Lampits Hill, Corringham. Tickets £15.

Twelve games £10. Will you win the tin of soup?

Tickets from Janice Wilkins

Messy Church

Wednesday 17th January at 3.30pm in Church Hall. £2 for Adults and £1 for Children. Fun, Stories, Crafts, Songs, Prayers, Games and FOOD.

Next Messy Church Wednesday 21st February.

Ash Wednesday

14th February - Holy Communion at 12 noon in Church Hall followed by Frugal Lunch.

Things to pray for this week

Mon 15th Pray for the residents of Scratton Road

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, be with us today as we start the daily round of life and work. May we bring your joy and your promise for the future to all whom we meet, especially those who feel they have no hope.

Tues 16th Pray for the residents of Southend Road

Take a moment today to pray for the different churches in your local area, and ask God for his blessing on any joint ventures between them.

Wed 17th Pray for the residents of Victoria Road

We give thanks to God for the richness we have in our differing Christian traditions. Let us be open to embracing one another's expressions of faith; ready to experience God in new ways together.

Thur 18th Pray for the residents of Warrene Close

As the people of God, we can accomplish so much more together than apart. Lord, please rub off our rough edges that we may be more closely united together in building the kingdom of heaven.

Fri 19th Pray for the residents of Webster Road

Our loving Saviour, who died that we may be reunited with God, forgive us when we are disunited as your church. Help us all to be one with each other that the world will believe the truth of the gospel.

Sat 20th Pray for the residents of Wharf Close

We thank God today for the blessing of those who have become our friends in Christ and pray for the joy of making further precious relationships.

Sun 21st Pray for the residents of Wharf Road

Almighty God, we lift before you all who are living in fear of losing their homes because of redundancy, debt or broken relationships. We pray that you will provide them with a positive way out of their concerns.

Thought for the Week

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:13

Bible Readings for today and the Week Ahead

1 Samuel 3 v 1 - 30,

Psalms 139 v 1 - 5, 12 - 18,

Revelation 5 v 1 - 10,

John 1 v 43 - 51

Fed up with Fake News?

Come and discover the REAL TRUTH! ALPHA 429

"Come and see a man who told me everything I've ever done. Could this be the Christ?" *John 4:29.*

St Margaret's Church Stanford-Le-Hope.

Begins at 4.29pm on Sunday 18th February. Join us for tea, sandwiches and cake. Meet new friends and discover the truth about God.

Fashion Show

Tuesday 13th March 7.30pm - Tickets £5 available soon! Come and buy your new Spring wardrobe.

Tombola Prizes for the Fashion Show - if you have any unwanted Christmas gifts suitable for ladies - health and beauty items, chocolates, biscuits (still in date in March!) or bottles of bubbly/wine please donate them for the prizes.

Fairtrade Fortnight

Monday 26th February to Sunday 11th March.

Fairtrade Fortnight is an action-packed highlight of the year, when campaigners, businesses, schools and places of worship show their support for the farmers and workers who grow our food in developing countries.

Thurrock Foodbank

There is a current need for Tea bags, Longlife Fruit Juice, Cooking Sauces, Sponge Puddings, Longlife Whole Milk, Squash drink and Instant Mash

Lent Course every Wednesday in Lent at 2pm from Wednesday 21st February to Wednesday 28th March. Held in the Church Hall. All Welcome

Thank you for your donations.

Cheques are to be made payable to **PCC of Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking** or text **STMS17 £**** (the amount you wish to give) to 70070.