



# St Margaret's Church

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

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## Sunday 22nd July – Trinity 8

### 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 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am All Age Worship

4.30pm TEN course

#### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am Shared Communion

4.30pm TEN Course

6.30pm Choral Evensong

#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship with Baptism

4.30pm TEN Course

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am Holy Communion

#### Picnic

~There will be a picnic on the lawn following the Shared service on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

Please bring your own picnic

#### Evensong

We will be holding a service of Evensong on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm.

Please come and join us

#### Praise Party

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July 6pm in Church Building.

For Further Information see Peter Goodwin.

#### Don't Forget

Please read your 'What's On?' Leaflet to find out what is happening each day in and around St Margaret's.

#### Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

#### Breast Cancer Care Coffee Morning Thursday, 26th July 10am to 12 midday in the church

Come and enjoy cakes and refreshments in the church to raise money for 'Breast Cancer Care'.

There will also be lovely items to purchase. All money raised will go to this charity.

Donations of cakes on the morning and/or unwanted gifts will be gratefully received as well!

Looking forward to seeing you there

Alison Murphy

#### Mothers' Union June Events

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July - Meeting with Salvation Army at the Salvation Army Hall at 2pm

There will not be a Quiet Day in St Margaret's this year. However the Grays Branch will be holding one on August 20<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm in Grays Parish Church, to which all are welcome. The speaker will be Wendy Mott. Please take a packed lunch.

**Thank you for your donations.** Cheques are to be made payable to **PCC of Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking.** If you wish to donate by phone, please text STMS17 £\*\* (the amount you wish to give) to 70070.

### Things to pray for this week

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>** Pray for the residents of Bell-Reeves Close

Christian Hope International have asked us to give thanks for every sponsor, past and present, who has responded to the vital need for children to receive an education. Give thanks for all the children who have benefited from this project and especially for those who have come to love the Lord Jesus and are growing in their faith. Pray for continued growth in this project so that many children will hear the good news of Jesus.

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Ellie Close

Pray today for the children and parents known to you that, whatever the challenges or circumstances facing them, they will be able to enjoy a stable family life.

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> St. James Apostle** Pray for the residents of Victoria Road

James was one of the three disciples who were closest to Jesus and is believed to be the first of them to be martyred for his faith. He brought people together and preached the good news to many.

**Thur 26<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Warrene Close

On 3<sup>rd</sup> March, the Chief Minister of Sarawak, East Malaysia, announced that he would amend the state laws so that converts from Islam would not be left in limbo. His announcement followed a ruling by the federal Malaysian High Court that four Sarawak citizens who had left Islam to become Christians could not have their change of religion official recognised, unless they got permission from a sharia Court. But going to a sharia court might result in them being prosecuted for apostasy from Islam. The allotted time period expires in early September. Pray that the necessary amendment to the Sarawak Syariah Court Ordinance 2001 will indeed be made. Sarawak is the only Malaysian state where there are more Christians than Muslims.

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Webster Road

Many school staff who are parents have to balance the needs of their own children with those in their care at school. Pray that this summer break provides good opportunities for shared family time.

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Wharf Close

Ruler of the Nations, bring pressure to bear on developing nations which do not have equality of opportunities for women and girls or may oppress them in other ways. Help us all to speak out on behalf of these women and work persistently for a change in attitude which upholds your truth that men and women are created equal. Amen.

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Wharf Road

"Crosslinks" Senior Camp begins today. Pray for the safe arrival of campers and that God will use the following days to build up and send out these young people in his word.

### Thought for the week

"Everything is permissible" but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible" but not everything is constructive. Nobody should seek his own good, but the good of others.

1 Corinthians 10 v 23 - 24

### Bible Readings for today and the Week Ahead

2 Samuel 11 v 1 - 15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3 v 14 - 21

John 6 v 1 - 21

2 Kings 4 v 42 - 44

### Safeguarding Training

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 9am to 12.30pm in Church Building.

### Confirmation

There will be a confirmation service at St Margaret's on Sunday 2nd December at 3pm. We have a number of candidates, anyone who wishes to be confirmed should speak to John.

### Flower Festival

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August in Church Building with a musical theme. We are celebrating the wonderful fund raising events which has taken place over the last two years. We now have a beautiful oak floor and newly decorated Church.

**Please note: If you require oasis or flower dishes please see Jackie Feeney**