



St Margaret's Church

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

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Sunday 25th November – Sunday before Advent

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 25th November Toy Services (shopping vouchers would be appreciated)

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am All Age Worship with Baptism

4.30pm Freedom in Christ

Sunday 2nd December

St Margaret's Celebration Sunday with Archdeacon Mike Lodge

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship & Sunday School

3.00pm Confirmation St John's Tilbury

Sunday 9th December

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am Holy Communion with Sunday School

3.30pm Freedom in Christ

Sunday 16th December

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship & Sunday School

4.00pm Carols on The Green in The Car Park

Children's Christmas Party

Saturday 1st December at 11am in the Church Hall. £5 per child Reduction for siblings.

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Monthly Prayer Meeting

Next meetings: Monday 3rd December 7.30pm,

Monday 7th January 7.30pm

Orsett Village Christmas Fayre with

Thurrock Foodbank Saturday 8th December 2pm

Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King; keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Mothers' Union November/December Events

Wednesday 28th - Talk by Ann Hardy "All aboard for Santa's Grotto at 2pm in the Hall

Wednesday December 12th - Christmas lunch, 12.30 for 1pm in the Hall

Monday 17th - Quarterly Prayers at 2pm in the Church

Thursday 20th - Christmas Miscellany at 7.30pm at 23 Scratton Road

Christmas

Town Christmas Light Switch On Sunday 15th November at 5.30pm outside The Inn on the Green. You are welcome to bring tinsel to decorate the tree. AJ, Bertie Bear and Father Christmas will be there.

Sunday 16th December

4.00pm Carols on the Green in the Car Park

Christmas Eve

6.30pm Pyjama Service

10.00pm Christmas Special Quizzes and Carols

11.45pm Midnight Communion

Christmas Day

10.00am Family Holy Communion

30th December

9.30am Silent Service

Things to pray for this week

Mon 26th Pray for the residents of Prospect Avenue

Lord of the nations, strengthen those willing to challenge harmful cultural practices, that they may persevere and that society may be changed for the good of all, both now and for future generations.

Tues 27th Pray for the residents of Rayleigh Road

Pray for all mentors who are being equipped for mentoring through their local church, that they would guide others with godly wisdom and help them to develop as disciples of Christ.

Wed 28th Pray for the residents of Romsey Close

Pray for the elderly in remote communities where finding help and support is difficult.

Thu 29th Pray for the residents of Rookery Close

Scotland's government has decided to abolish the country's ancient blasphemy law. Dating from 1690, this law protected the beliefs of the Presbyterian Church only. The Scottish authorities are allowing what is in effect a new blasphemy law to develop, as activists use hate crime laws to get peaceful Christian street preachers arrested. Pray for full freedom of speech for all in Scotland.

Fri 30th Pray for the residents of Runnymede Road

Pray for all people who are being confirmed on 2nd December, that they will follow Jesus for the rest of their lives and be regular worshippers at church. Help us Father, as a congregation to make them feel that they belong to our Christian family and that they are important to you to carry out the work you have called them to do. Help us as your people to help them with anything that they find difficult to accept.

Sat 1st Pray for the residents of Runnymede Court

Pray for all those people who are unable to get to church to worship because of illness or difficulty with transport etc. Make us aware of anyone that we may be able to help who are in this situation.

Sun 2nd Advent Sunday Pray for the residents of Clifford House

Come Thou long expected Jesus. May we journey through Advent in eager expectation of your coming again. Let us prepare our hearts and minds to meet you.

Thought for the week

Jesus said "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfil them."

Matthew 5 v 17.

Bible Readings for today and the Week Ahead

Daniel 7 v 9 - 10, 13 - 14,

Psalm 93

Revelation 1 v 4b - 8

John 18 v 33 - 37

Follow That Star

By Harmony in Christ Mixed Voice Chorale on Saturday 1st December at 3pm

Message by Rt Revd Dr John Perumbalath

Bengal Bash

Thank you to everyone who helped us to raise £260.00

Beside Myself

John's One Man Show on Saturday 26th January at 6pm in Church Building.

Tickets £10

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.

Thurrock Foodbank Collections

At Tesco Thursday 29th November to Saturday 1st December

Standing Committee Monday 10th December 7pm

The Rectory

PCC Meeting Monday 21st January 7.30pm