



St Margaret's Church

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

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Sunday 20th 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

Sunday 20th January

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship with Sunday School

4.30pm Alpha

Sunday 27th January

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am All Age Worship

4.30pm Alpha

Sunday 3rd February

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship with Sunday School

4.30pm Alpha

Sunday 10th February

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am Holy Communion with Sunday School

Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new; transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

Thursday 17th at 7.30pm at 23 Scratton Road

Wednesday 23rd January - Photographic talk by Bob Cooper in the Hall at 2pm

Please note that the AGM is now on 13th February

Monthly Prayer Meeting

The first Monday of each month

Next meetings: Monday 4th February 7.30pm and Monday 4th March

ALPHA 2019

Looking for a stable (life)? Come find the way, Sundays at 4.30pm in church building, from **today** 20th January. Join us for tea, sandwiches and cake. Meet new friends and discover the truth about God

Beside Myself

John's One Man Show on Saturday 26th January at 7pm in Church Building.

Tickets £10

PCC Meetings

The third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in church building, please come prepared.

Next meeting: Monday 21st January.

Safeguarding Training

Saturday 2nd February 9am in Church Hall.

Standing Committee

Monday 11th February 7pm at The Rectory

Marriage Preparation Courses

Start Thursday 21st February 7.30pm or Sunday 17th February 2pm

Things to pray for this week

Mon 21st Pray for the residents of Chale Court

Pray for those working for MAF and thank God for the skills he has given to the pilots and the fact that they are continually saving lives in the emergency situations they attend.

Tues 22nd Pray for the residents of Niton Court

Barnabas have asked us to pray for the families who were affected when 2 buses of Egyptian Christians returning from a visit to a holy site were ambushed on 2nd November. 7 Christians died and 19 were injured. Later Islamic State in Egypt claimed responsibility for the attack. Ask that the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, will bring peace and consolation to the bereaved.

Wed 23rd Pray for the residents of Ryde Drive

As we thank you Father for our homes and safe shelter, make us mindful of the needs of those around us who are less fortunate, and compassionate in our witness to them of your unconditional love.

Thu 24th Pray for the residents of Salisbury Avenue

Pray to God for good relationships between the different churches in our local area. Ask God for opportunities to work together for the good of the community, that your unity may be a witness to a fractured world.

Fri 25th Pray for the residents of Scratton Road

Pray for all parents who are preparing for their children to be baptized that they will be able to bring their children up knowing Jesus as their saviour.

Sat 26th Pray for the residents of Southend Road

Pray for couples preparing for their marriage that they will put God at the centre of their lives.

Sun 27th Pray for the residents of Victoria Road

Lord, as we gather today in our different places of worship within our communities and throughout the world, may we continue to grow in faith and seek only those things which bring us closer to God and therefore to each other.

Thought for the week

John said "I baptise you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire....."

Luke 3 v 15 - 16

Bible Readings for today and the Week Ahead

Isaiah 62 v 1 - 5,

Psalm 36 v 5 - 10,

1 Corinthians 12 v 1 - 11,

John 2 v 1 - 11

Coffee Mornings

St Margaret's Church is open from 10am to 12noon every Thursday morning. Tea and coffee are available (and cake).

All are welcome to come and join for a chat, look round the church or just for some company.

Please feel free to come along.

Thursford

The trip to Thursford this year will be on Tuesday 17th December. The cost of the trip is £90. There are 26 places available, so if you would like a place please let Jill Cooper know
Phone 01375 360911 or 07947584650

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.