



# St Margaret's Church

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

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## Sunday 19th February – 2nd before Lent

### 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 Today

##### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship with Sunday School

##### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am All Age Worship

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

9.30am Holy Communion

11.00am Morning Worship with Sunday School

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

9.30am Morning Prayer

11.00am Holy Communion with Sunday School

#### Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 1.45pm in St Joseph's Church, Southend Road.

For more information contact Mildred Swain (9.30 service) or Irene Coakley (11am service)

#### Loud and Proud

An evening of Praise and Worship Sunday 26th February at 7.30pm in Church Building. Come and join with others who are loud and proud about their faith.

See Simon Wilson for further details

#### Alpha

Continues each Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Church. Please invite someone to come along to learn more

Also pray about ways that you can help

#### Collect

**Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image; teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever  
Amen**

#### Mothers' Union February/March Events

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Talk by David Tweddle "Faith in Action" at 2pm in the Hall

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Talk by Jenny Tweddle "Books that shaped our lives" at 7.30pm at 23 Scratton Road

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March Ash Wednesday - Holy Communion at 12 noon followed by a frugal lunch in the Hall. **All are welcome** and proceeds are to go to the relief fund.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting at 2pm in the Hall

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Quarterly Prayers at 2pm in Church

During March there will be meetings every Wednesday at 2pm in the Hall to follow a Lent Course and also on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm at 23 Scratton Road

#### Annual General Meeting

The PCC AGM will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April in Church with light refreshment at 4.30pm, followed by the meeting, more details nearer the time.

### Things to pray for this week

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Branksome Close

Heavenly Father, we thank you for giving us your son Jesus as the perfect role model for our lives. We pray he will guide us in your ways of truth, love and peace, so we may act as shining examples of your presence.

**Tues 21<sup>st</sup>** Pray for the residents of Byrd Way

Scripture Union asks us to pray for - This week sees the publication of several new resources. Pray today for a new book in the popular Explore Together series which is designed to help people of all ages learn together in many different contexts and in a variety of ways. Pray too for a new Easter resource book providing creative ideas for celebrating Easter in an all-age context

**Wed 22<sup>nd</sup>** Pray for the residents of Colman Close

Thank God for the ways in which CHI's funding of livestock projects has improved nutrition, enabled economic growth in communities, assisted with reconciliation and even promoted spiritual growth. Pray for families to become self-sufficient and to lift themselves out of poverty.

**Thu 23<sup>rd</sup>** Pray for the residents of Delius Way

Forgiving God, help us to keep short accounts with you that each day we might be freed from the guilt of the wrongs we have done.

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Dowland Close

Cpas asks us to pray for Ventures Legacy - Playing with Fire is an activity Venture for boys aged 14-17 that kicks off today in Essex.

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Dunstable Road

"Barnabas" have reported that Christians from the Democratic Republic of Congo report that Islam is growing fast, with many Christians converting to Islam, largely because they are unaware of what Islam teaches. Pray that Christians in DRC, who have suffered much violence and killings by the Islamic militant group the ADF may be well grounded in their faith and may know the character and nature of our triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Sun 19<sup>th</sup>** Pray for the residents of Farnaby Way

Thank God for the many people of our two congregations who do untold work which goes unnoticed

### Thought for the Week

"Let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance."

Proverbs 1 v 5

### Messy Church

"The unforgiving Servant" 15th March 3.30pm in Church Hall.

All children are welcome accompanied by their parents for a time of fun, food and worship

### Bible Readings for the Week

Leviticus 19 v 1 - 2, 9 - 18

Psalms 119 v 33 - 40

1 Corinthians 3 v 10 - 11, 16 - 23

Matthew 5 v 38 - 48

### EASTER EGG HUNT

We would be grateful for donations of Easter Eggs for a Children's Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday and for distributing to local Care Homes

### CHARITY DINNER WITH PROMISE AUCTION

Taksim Square Restaurant Thursday 2nd March 7.00pm. Tickets £15 per head excluding Drinks and Promise Auction

### 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.