

# Your guide to this coming week

## Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February

10am Bible Study - Church Centre (Lounge)  
11.30am Midday Prayer – Church Centre  
11am – 4pm Community Friendship Café – Centre  
6pm Bell Ringing Practice – In Church

## Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

2pm Busy Fingers

## Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February

12pm Midday Prayer – In the Lounge

## Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

12pm Holy Communion – In Church  
12.30pm – 2.30pm - Church Open for visitors  
NO Choir Practice

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February

10am Sung Eucharist  
6pm Holy Communion

\*\*\*

**Electoral Roll – Complete Update**  
*Please make sure you've returned your form*

## LENT COURSE

**Starts Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

(1<sup>st</sup> Session during 10am Service)

**WHY PRAY? Looking at the importance of prayer and introducing the various topics to be covered during the course**

**FOLLOWED BY SEVEN MORE TOPIC-BASED SESSIONS**  
(Upcoming Pew Sheets will detail information on each topic):

**3<sup>rd</sup> March – 16<sup>th</sup> April**

**Every Monday – 10am In the Church Centre**  
**Session repeated every Wednesday - 7pm in the Rectory**

**APCM – 6<sup>th</sup> April after the 10am Service**

If you would like to join the PCC please complete a form from the back of church & return it to a Church Warden

## Your Parish - Street by Street

Each week we will be praying for a group of streets and their residents. You can find these streets on the map, pinned up in church.

**This week, please pray for the residents of:**

**Bramfield Road - Map no. 94 / Map Ref. G/H 6-7**

**Belle View Close - Map no. 126 / Map Ref. I 9**

**Broom Road - Map no. 133 / Map Ref. I 9**

**Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre**

## CONTACT DETAILS

**Rector:** Revd. Canon Simon Stokes  
simon@stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk  
01502 573046 or 07771 520085  
**THURSDAYS ARE SIMON'S DAY OF REST**

**Office:** 01502 561973  
office@stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk  
**NORMAL OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tues & Wed 9am – 3.30pm & Fri 8.30am – 5pm

**09.02.25**

## WELCOME TO

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

LOWESTOFT



If you would like to make an offering to St. Margaret's please place your gift either on the collection plate *before* the service or use the card-reader at the back of church.

Your gift supports our ongoing mission work & helps towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.

*Thank you for your kind gift.*

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent

**10am Sung Eucharist**  
Mass Setting: Farmer  
Presiding: Canon Simon  
Preaching: Rev. Pauline  
Deacon: Gill  
Reader: Richard  
Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11  
Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11  
Intercessor: Christine  
Hymns: 486, 621, 494, 249 & 588  
Anthem: A prayer of St. Richard of Chichester (White)



Scan QR Code to view this week's 10am service booklet

Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre.

## 6pm Sung Evensong

Leading: Rev. Geoff  
Reader: Caroline  
Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8 [9-end]  
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11  
Hymns: 696, 729 & 476  
Psalm: 4  
Anthem: Lead me, Lord (S.S. Wesley)

\*\*\*

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent

**10am Sung Eucharist**  
**6pm Holy Communion**

*THIS WEEK'S PEW SHEET IS SPONSORED BY ZOE & SAMUEL PARLE*



In memory of John Parle

*Remembering a wonderful husband and father on the seventh anniversary of his passing*

## Readings for Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February

### Old Testament: Isaiah 6: 1-8 [9-end]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' [And he said, 'Go and say to this people: "Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand." Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.' Then I said, 'How long, O Lord?' And he said: 'Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remains in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.' The holy seed is its stump.

### New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle,

because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

### Gospel Reading: Luke 5: 1-11

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

### Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Lord of the hosts of heaven,  
our salvation and our strength,  
without you we are lost:  
guard us from all that harms or hurts  
and raise us when we fall;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

Go before us, Lord, in all we do  
with your most gracious favour,  
and guide us with your continual help,  
that in all our works  
begun, continued and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.