

Your guide to this coming week

Monday 12th May

10am Bible Study

11.30am Midday Prayer

(Gospel Reading: John 10: 1-10)

11am – 4pm Community Friendship Café

(serving lunch 11am – 1.30pm & refreshments 2pm – 4pm)

6pm Bell Ringing Practice – In Church

Tuesday 13th May

2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 14th May

12pm Midday Prayer – Church Centre

(Gospel Reading: John 15: 9-17)

9.30am Lowestoft Charity Board meeting at Church Green

Friday 16th May

12pm Holy Communion – In Church

12.30pm – 4pm - Church Open for visitors

6pm Choir Practice

Sunday 18th May

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Holy Communion (In the Church Centre)

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people
may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ
to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us
to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SAFEGUARDING:

St. Margaret's Church is committed to safeguarding all worshippers, staff and visitors. If you have any concerns, please refer to the notices at each entrance door, which gives details of how to voice your concern, or visit www.stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk

**Please note, the 10am service is livestreamed.
The seats in the side aisles are never in view**

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11.05.25

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 11th May 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of VE Day

10am Sung Eucharist (shortened)

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon

Preaching: Sarah

Deacon: Gill

Reader: Amelia

Gospel John 10: 22-30

Intercessor: Charles

Hymns: 681, 800, 785 & 650

Anthem: Let all Mortal Flesh keep silence
(Cleobury)



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Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre

11.30am National Fishing Remembrance Service

Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre

6pm Choral Evensong

Lead: Canon Simon

Preaching: Rev Geoff

Reader: Christine

Readings: Isaiah 63: 7-14 & Acts 9: 36-end

Hymns: 559, 566 & 645

Psalm: 146

Anthem: Holy is the true light (Harris)

Sunday 18th May 2025

5th Sunday of Easter

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Holy Communion

Readings for Sunday 11th May

Old Testament: Isaiah 63: 7-14

Praise and Prayer

I will tell of the kindnesses of the Lord, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the Lord has done for us - yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses. He said, "Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me"; and so he became their Savior. In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit. So he turned and became their enemy and he himself fought against them. Then his people recalled the days of old, the days of Moses and his people - where is he who brought them through the sea, with the shepherd of his flock? Where is he who set his Holy Spirit among them, who sent his glorious arm of power to be at Moses' right hand, who divided the waters before them, to gain for himself everlasting renown, who led them through the depths? Like a horse in open country, they did not stumble; like cattle that go down to the plain, they were given rest by the Spirit of the Lord. This is how you guided your people to make for yourself a glorious name.

New Testament: Acts 9: 36-end

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!" Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get

up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

Gospel: John 10: 22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'



Coffee Concert

St. Margaret's Church, Lowestoft

Friday 30th May
1.15pm – 2pm
Aurora Consort



Refreshments served before & after the Concert



Fellowship Walk – Friday 30th May

Meeting at the Church Centre at 2pm

We'll then have a lovely circular walk to
Dip Farm and Gunton Woods
Weather permitting as always.

If you need further information, please speak to Linda or Emma

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Foxborough Road - Map no. 16b / Map Ref. C/D 7
Fritton Close - Map no. 47 / Map Ref. F 5
Ferndale Avenue - Map no. 87 / Map Ref. G 7 - 9

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre