

Your guide to this coming week

Monday 23rd June

10am Bible Study
11.30am Midday Prayer (Reading - Matthew 7: 1-5)
11am - 4pm Community Friendship Café
6pm Bell Ringing Practice – In Church

Tuesday 24th June

2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 25th June

12pm Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Matthew 7: 15-20)
Silent Prayer in Church (cancelled)

Friday 27th June

10am Rehearsal for Coffee Concert
12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30pm – 3pm Church Open for visitors
1.15 – 2pm Coffee Concert with refreshments
Marie Long (Recorders) & William Fergusson (Piano)
3pm Funeral of Miranda Simmonds
6pm Choir Practice

Sunday 29th June

10am Sung Eucharist
No Evening Service

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

DATE FOR THE DIARY

Sunday 13th July, 2.30pm – 4.15pm
Afternoon Concert in Church - Xenia Horne (Harpist)

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Hollingsworth Road - Map no. 77 / Map Ref. C / H 9-10

Haven Avenue - Map no. 88 / Map Ref. G 9

Highgrove Close - Map no. 103 / Map Ref. H / I 6

SAFEGUARDING:

St. Margaret's Church is committed to safeguarding all worshippers, staff and visitors. If you have any concerns, please refer to the noticeboard on how to voice your concern, or visit www.stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk

NB: The 10am service is livestreamed. Side aisles seats not in view

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ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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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 22nd June 2025 1st Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon

Preaching: Sarah

Deacon: Sarah

Reader: Grace

Reading: Galatians 3: 23-end

Gospel: Luke 8: 26-39

Intercessor: Jennifer D

Hymns: 486, 512, 621, 723 & 679

Anthem: Author of life divine (McDowell)



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Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre

6pm Sung Evensong

Leading: Canon Simon

Preaching: Canon Simon

Reader: Ruth

Readings: Isaiah 65: 1-9 & Galatians 3: 23-end

Hymns: 635, 563 & 630

Psalm: 55 verses 18-21

Anthem: Ave Verum Corpus (Elgar)

Sunday 29th June 2025 2nd Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist
No Evening Service

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

Readings for Sunday 22nd June

Old Testament: Isaiah 65: 1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am', to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.' These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it', so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

New Testament: Galatians 3: 23-end

Before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptised into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel: Luke 8: 26-39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.