

Your guide to this coming week

Monday 13th October

10am Bible Study – Church Centre
11.30am Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Luke 11: 29-32)
11am - 4pm Community Friendship Café
5.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Tuesday 14th October

2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 15th October

12pm Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Luke 11: 42-46)
7pm Alpha Course in Church Centre

Friday 17th October

12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30pm – 4pm Church Open for visitors
6pm Choir Practice

Sunday 19th October

10am Sung Eucharist
6pm Holy Communion – In the Church Centre

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts towards the Foodbank. A big thank you also to all those who helped in any way to make the Harvest lunch a real time of celebration and Christian fellowship.



Lowestoft Living Word Convention

14th – 16th October (Christ Church, Lowestoft)

With speaker, The Director of Theology for the Fellowship of Independent and Evangelical Churches (FIEC)
Paul Mallard



Coffee Concerts

Friday 24th October at 1.15pm

Evan Ruth (Tenor)

accompanied by:

Jonathan Rutherford on piano

Free entry, with donations welcomed on the day.



EVENING SERVICES - WINTER TIMES

From Sunday 26th October

our evening services will be at 4pm (instead of 6pm)
We will revert to 6pm when the clocks go forward again.

Light Party – Fri 31st October 2025

4pm – 5.30pm (In the Church Centre)

Free fun for all accompanied children.

Contact: christine@simonstokes.co.uk for further information

ALL THE TREATS WITHOUT THE TRICKS

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

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

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

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WELCOME TO

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

LOWESTOFT



Sunday 12th October 2025 17th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon

Preaching: Rev Jim

Deacon: Gill

Reader: Richard A

Reading: 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Intercessor: Jennifer D

Hymns: 755, 116, 563, 427 & 652

Anthem: Be still for the presence of the Lord (Evans)



SCAN FOR
SERVICE BOOKLET

Refreshments served in the Church Centre

6pm Sung Evensong

Lead & Preach: Canon Simon

Readings 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15b

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Reader: Caroline

Hymns: 676, 451 & 784

Psalm: 143

Anthem: O Lord my God (S. S. Wesley)

Sunday 19th October 2025 18th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Holy Communion (in the Centre)

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Potterdale Gardens – Map no. 34 / Map Ref. E 6

Pentland Walk – Map no. 51 / Map Ref. E / F 7

Pembroke Way – Map no. 63 / Map Ref. F 6

This week's pew sheet is kindly sponsored by

Canon Colin & Marilla Fowler

on the occasion of their

Diamond Wedding Anniversary

(60 years)

9th October 1965



Readings for Sunday 12th October

Old Testament: 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15b

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel'.

New Testament: 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David - that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the

elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

On his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him - and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace may
always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good
works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thanksgiving & Bereavement Service

Sunday 2nd November at 4pm



Light a candle in memory of a loved one
Tea & Coffee served afterwards



*There will be an opportunity to have your loved one's
name read out during this special service.*