Your guide to this coming week

Monday 20th October

Bible Study - Church Centre 10am 11.30am Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Luke 12: 13-21) 11am - 4pm Community Friendship Café 5.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Tuesday 21st October

Interment of Ashes - t/l Irene Francis 11am

Busy Fingers 2pm

Wednesday 22nd October

12pm Midday Prayer - Church Centre (Luke 11: 39-48)

7pm Alpha Course in Church Centre

Friday 24th October

Terry Burlingham's funeral - Waveney Crematorium 11am

Holy Communion - In Church 12pm 12.30pm – 4pm Church Open for visitors

1.15pm Coffee Concert – Evan Ruth & Jonathan Rutherford

2.30pm Interment of Ashes - t/I Margaret Gadd

Choir Practice 6pm

Saturday 25th October

Wedding - Ellen Leech & Bradley Richardson

Sunday 26th October (Clocks go back at 2am)

10am Sung Eucharist

11.45am Baptism - Florance Fulker

4pm Sung Evensong (new winter service time)

Half Term – Advance Notice

There will be NO Community Café on Mon 27th October Fish on Mon 27th October at 9am

Saints Trail - Open Church, focussing on St. Francis (Half Term) Mothers' Union - Wed 29th Oct at 2pm (Instead of Wed 5th Nov) Light Party – Friday 31st October 4pm – 5.30pm



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.

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

If you can help, please contact Christine or Sarah

TECH SURGERY – Mondays 11am – 4pm

20th Oct, 27th Oct, 10th Nov, 17th Nov, 1st Dec & 8th Dec

Issues or concerns with your mobile, laptop, computer etc? Then why not pop along, with your device, and have a chat with Keith - In the Church 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

CONTACT DETAILS

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WELCOME TO

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH



LOWESTOFT

Sunday 19th October 2025 18th Sunday after Trinity

International Day for the **Eradication of Poverty 2025**

10am Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon

Preaching: Canon Simon & Sam Porter

Gerda Deacon: Reader: Jennifer T Gospel Luke 6: 12-28 Intercessor: Christine

610, 249, 547, 144 & 715 Hymns: Anthem: Be thou my vision (Chilcott)

Refreshments served in the Church Centre

Holy Communion (Healing Service) 6pm

Presiding: Canon Simon Preaching: Canon Simon Readings Luke 6:12-28

Reader: **Emma**

Hymns: 702, 681, 800, 442 & 644

Sunday 26th October 2025

19th Sunday after Trinity

(Remember, the clocks will have gone back 1 hour this morning)

10am Sung Eucharist 4pm Sung Evensong (New Time)

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street This week, please pray for the residents of:

Pebble Close – Map no. 64 / Map Ref. F 7 Peddars Way - Map no. 70 / Map Ref. F 9 Peto Way - Map no. 102 / Map Ref. G / H / I / J 6

EVENING SERVICES - WINTER TIMES

From Sunday 26th October Evening services will be at 4pm (instead of 6pm) We will revert to 6pm when the clocks go forward again

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

Readings for Sunday 19th October

New Testament: 2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4: 5

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel: Luke 6: 12-28 The Twelve Apostles

One of those days Jesus went out to a mountainside to pray, and spent the night praying to God. When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot, Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

Blessings and Woes

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort.

Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

Love for Enemies

"But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

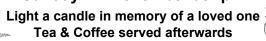
God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you,
O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table
where you reign
with all your saints for ever.

Thanksgiving & Bereavement Service

Sunday 2nd November at 4pm





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

Saints' Trail - Half Term Week Sat 25th - Fri 31st Oct, 10am - 2pm

The church will be open during half term week focusing on St. Francis

If you're able to help in any way, or offer books, info etc about St. Francis please speak with Canon Simon