

Your guide to this coming week

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 5th May

2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 6th May

12pm Midday Prayer (John 15: 1-8)

Friday 8th May

12pm Holy Communion

12.30 – 4pm Open Church

1.15pm Coffee Concert – David Grealy

No Choir Practice

Sunday 10th May – Christian Aid Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist with Baptism

12pm National Fishing Remembrance Service

6pm Sung Evensong

St. Margaret's Coffee Concerts



May – September at 1.15pm



Friday 8th May – David Grealy

Organist of Cathedral St. John the Baptist, Norwich

PLEASE JOIN US AND ENJOY LISTENING TO
THE FIRST OF THIS SEASON'S COFFEE CONCERTS
FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS WELCOMED ON THE DAY

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Dunwich Way – Map no. 46 / Ref. F 4

Down Pointon Place – Map no. 83 / Ref. G 13

Denham Drive – Map no. 84 / Ref. G 5

National Fishing Memorial Service

Sunday 10th May at 12pm

We're looking for volunteers to help serve tea & coffees after the 12pm service in the church centre please. If you think you can help please speak with Sarah or Kathryn

SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to safeguarding all worshippers, staff and visitors. If you have a concern, please refer to the noticeboards on how to voice your concern

Our Safeguarding Officer is Zoe Parle

10am service is livestreamed - Side aisles not in view

NB: The taking of photos is only permitted with the express permission of the clergy and individuals concerned

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

CONTACT DETAILS

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THURSDAYS ARE SIMON'S DAY OF REST

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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 entrance.

Many thanks for your kind gift.

Sunday 3rd May 2026
5th Sunday of Easter

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Presiding: Rev Jim

Preaching: Sarah

Reader: Young People

Reading: Acts 7: 55-end

Gospel: John 14: 1-14

Intercessor: Young People

Hymns: 713, 802, 678, 209 & 818

Anthems: Come, Holy Ghost (Attwood)



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Refreshments served afterwards in the Centre

Sunday 10th May 2026

6th Sunday of Easter
Christian Aid Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist

with Baptism of Arthur Battrick

12pm National Fishing Remembrance Service

6pm Sung Evensong

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Risen Christ,

your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,

whose Son Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Readings for Sunday 3rd May 2026

Old Testament: Genesis 8: 1-19

But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and all the domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided; the fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, and the waters gradually receded from the earth. At the end of one hundred and fifty days the waters had abated; and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. The waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared. At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more. In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh - birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth - so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.

New Testament: Acts 7: 55 - end

Stephen filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man

standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

Gospel: John 14: 1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Coffee Concerts

Refreshment Helpers Needed

2nd & 4th Fridays May – September at 1.15pm



We are looking for people to help
serve Refreshments at our Coffee Concerts please

*If you think you could help
please speak with either Gill, Sue or Kathryn*

Thank you – We'd gratefully appreciate your support