Your guide to this coming week:

Monday 16th September

10am Bible Study - Lounge12pm Midday Prayer – In Church

2pm – 4pm Community Friendship Cafe (Centre)

6pm Bellringing - In Church

Tuesday 17th September

2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 18th September

12pm Midday Prayer – In Church

Friday 20th September

12pm Holy Communion – In Church
 12.30pm Open Church (until 4pm)
 6pm Choir Practice – In Church

Sunday 22nd September

10am Sung Eucharist Service

6pm Sung Evensong

Community Friendship Café

Every Monday 2pm - 4pm in Church Centre

Pop along and enjoy Tea, Coffee, Cake & Chats Everyone welcome!

LLM Licensing of Sarah Spall

Saturday 21st September

10.30am - Norwich Cathedral

8.45am pick up time from St. Margaret's carpark

minibus cost: £15 per person

Please can you let the Church Office have the money for your ticket by Wednesday 18th September – thank you.

Gift Day

Saturday 28th September

The Church will be open 9am – 12pm

As we each respond to God's calling, please help support St. Margaret's through your kind donations and prayers.

Harvest Lunch - Sunday 29TH September

Please sign the sheet at the back of church if you would like to come – Please include any dietary requirements.

Suggested donation of £10 per person

VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED TO HELP PLEASE

Please let Christine or the Office know if you can help.

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Welcome to

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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this week's

10am service

booklet

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 15th September 2024 16th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

Presiding: Revd. Jim
Preaching: Gerda
Deacon: Sarah
Reader: Margaret
Reading: James 3: 1

James 3: 1-12 Mark 8: 27 - end

Gospel: Mark 8 Intercessor: Sarah

Hymns: 2, 193, 489, 378 & 612
Anthem: Bread of the World - Bullard

Tea & coffee are served in the Church Centre following the service. Please stay and join us.

6pm Holy Communion

Preside & Preach: Revd. Jim

Reader: Ruth

Reading: Mark 8: 27 - end

Hymns: 497, 621, 639, 661, 592 & 486

Services for Sunday 22nd September 17th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Sung Evensong

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Lord of creation,

whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre THIS WEEK'S ENTRY CODE TO THE CENTRE: 5619

New keypad located under external noticeboard **Enter code, wait for bleep & pull open the door** This code will be regularly changed for security



Readings for Sunday 15th September

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 1: 20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

New Testament Reading: James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can

be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can saltwater yield fresh.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8: 27-end

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.