

Your guide to this coming week:

Monday 23rd September

10am Bible Study – In Lounge
12pm Midday Prayer – In Church
2pm – 4pm Community Friendship Cafe – In Centre
6pm Bellringing – In Church

Tuesday 24th September

2pm Busy Fingers (Hosted by Sheila)

Wednesday 25th September

12pm Midday Prayer – In Church
6pm Silent Prayer – In Church
(Please note change of time to normal time)

Friday 27th September

12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30pm Open Church (until 4pm)
1.15pm Coffee Concert – In Church
St. Peter's Carlton Colville Handbell Ringers
6pm Choir Practice – In Church

Saturday 28th September

9am – 12pm Gift Day – In Church
The Church will be open between 9am – 12pm for prayer,
with donations gratefully received thank you
1.30pm Wedding – Katie & Ryan

Sunday 29th September

10am Harvest Service, followed by a Harvest lunch
Please sign the list if you would like to join us for lunch

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.

Community Friendship Café

Every Monday 2pm – 4pm in Church Centre

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

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Welcome to

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 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 September 2024

17th Sunday after Trinity

10am Sung Eucharist
Presiding: Canon Simon
Preaching: Sarah
Deacon: Sarah
Reader: Kay S
Reading: James 3: 1-13 – 4: 3, 7-8a
Gospel: Mark 9: 30-37
Intercessor: Revd. Pauline
Hymns: 621, 587, 678, 430 & 652
Anthem: Author of Life - McDowall



QR Code to view this week's 10am service booklet

Refreshments will be served in Church today to celebrate with Sarah. Please stay and join us.

6pm Sung Evensong
Leading: Rev Pauline
Preaching: Rev Pauline
Cantor: Jonathan
Reader: Pam
Readings: Proverbs 31: 10-end
James 3: 1-13 – 4: 3, 7-8a
Hymns: 676, 604 & 223
Psalm: 119 v. 153 - 160
Anthem: Teach me, O Lord - Attwood

Service for Sunday 29th September Harvest Festival with The Dean of Norwich

10am Holy Communion

Followed by a Harvest Lunch (please sign the sheet at the back of church if you would like to come)

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.

Readings for Sunday 22nd September

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 31: 10-end

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands, she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

New Testament Reading:

James 3: 1-13 – 4: 3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who

make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Gospel Reading: Mark 9: 30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house, he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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.

St. Margaret's Coffee Concert

Friday 27th Sept at 1.15pm
St. Peter's Carlton Colville
Handbell Ringers

Free Admission – Donations welcomed on the day
Refreshments before & after the concert
We look forward to welcoming you there