Your guide to this coming week:

Monday 25th November

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

Tuesdav 26th November

Busy Fingers 2pm

Wednesday 27th November

Midday Prayer - In Church 12pm No Silent Prayer Group today

Friday 29th November

12pm Holy Communion – In Church 1.30pm Open Church (until 2.30pm) Choir Practice – In Church 6pm

Saturday 30th November

11am - 2pm Christmas Table-Top - Church Centre 2.30pm – 4.30pm Advent Reflections–Church Centre

Sunday 1st December

Sung Eucharist 10am

FESTIVE DATES FOR THE DIARY Saturday 30th November 11am - 2pm



Christmas Table-Top Sale Speak with Rachel or Sarah if you can help or supply cakes

Saturday 30th Nov 2.30pm - 4.30pm Advent Reflections - Four half-hour reflection sessions

Sunday 8th December – 6pm **Carol Service of Remembrance & Hope** Supported by Gordon Barber Funeral Home

Sunday 15th Dec 6pm - Christmas Carol Service

Sunday 22nd Dec – St. Margaret's Christmas Lunch

Christmas Eve: 4pm Christingle 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: Family Holy Communion - 10am

Lowestoft Foodbank

Tesco Winter Food Collection 28th, 29th & 30th November (various time slots available to volunteer) Can you help hand out leaflets at the door of Tesco to encourage donations? For more info, please contact: bookings@lowestoft.org.uk

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

CONTACT DETAILS

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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 cardreader 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 24th November 2024 Christ the King

10am

Sung Eucharist

Mass of St. Thomas - Thorne Presiding: **Rev Jim** Preaching: Canon Simon Deacon: Gill Reader: Pam Reading: Revelation 1: 4b-8 Gospel: John 18: 33-37 Intercessor: Sue Hymns: Anthem:



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

291(part 1 & doxology), 802, 676, 700 & 593 Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Cleobury)

Refreshments will be served in the Church Centre.

6pm

Sung Evensong

Leading: Preaching: Reader: Reading: Reading: Hymns: Psalm: Anthem:

Canon Simon Sarah Caroline Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 Revelation 1: 4b-8 704, 769 & 818 110 King of all ages (Isom)

Sunday 1st December

Advent Sunday Welcoming of Anna Chaplaincy Friends

10am

Sung Eucharist No Evening Service

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Readings for Sunday 24th November

Old Testament: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

In my vision at night, I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

New Testament: Revelation 1: 4b-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from God who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gospel Reading: John 18: 33-37

Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christmas Helpers Needed!

Sunday 8th December – 6pm Additional sidespeople / welcomers

Sunday 15th December – 6pm Additional sidespeople / welcomers & readers needed please

Christingle – Additional sidespeople / welcomers

Midnight Mass – Sidespeople & Readers

If you feel able to help, please speak with Simon & sign up on the sheet at the back. Thank you.

Christmas Bring & Share Lunch Sunday 22nd Dec - Church Centre

If you would like to come along, please add your name(s) to the sign up sheet. Please list the items of food you will be contributing to the bring & share lunch.

Christingle Making (Church Centre) Monday 23rd December

(11am - after F.I.S.H) If you're able to help with making the Christingles it would be greatly appreciated.

D € F I B T Γ A I N I N S SATURDAY 11TH JANUARY 2025 11AM - 12PM IN THE CHURCH CENTRE

Please add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of church (Places are limited)

NEW KEYS

Just to let you know, the church centre & church locks have been changed. If you have a specific need for a key please see Simon or Kathryn to complete the necessary forms.