### Your guide to this coming week

### Monday 15th September

10am Bible Study – Church Centre
11.30am Midday Prayer – Church Centre (Luke 7: 1-10)
11am - 4pm Community Friendship Café
6pm Bell Ringing Practice – In Church

### Tuesday 16th September

2pm Busy Fingers

## Wednesday 17th September

12pm Midday Prayer - Church Centre (Luke 7: 31-35)

### Friday 19th September - Heritage Open Day

10am – 4pm Church Open for visitors 12pm Holy Communion – In Church 1.15pm Coffee Concert – Tootie Flooties 6pm Choir Practice

### Saturday 20th September - Heritage Open Day

10am – 4pm Church Open for visitors

### Sunday 21st September

10am Sung Eucharist

6pm Holy Communion (In the Church Centre)

# Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Normanshurst Close – Map no. 127 / Map Ref. I 7 Normanston Drive (two roads) –

Map no. 128 / Map Ref. J 6-10

Newson Meadow - Map no. 150 / Map Ref. J 10

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon



Join us in the Church on

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

12.30pm – 4pm

Cake donations would be gratefully appreciated please.

For further information contact Sarah: sarah@stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk

## ALPHA COURSE - Starting 1st October

(Then every Wednesday for 8 weeks)

## 7pm in the Church Centre

(starting with refreshments)

Come along and explore Christianity together

### **Toilet & Baby Changing available in the 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, or visit www.stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk

NB: The 10am service is livestreamed. Side aisles seats not in view

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

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PLEASE NOTE, CANON SIMON IS ON ANNUAL LEAVE  $8^{TH} - 22^{ND}$  SEPT

office@stmargaretslowestoft.co.uk Tues & Wed 9am–3.30pm & Fri 8.30am–5pm

## 14.09.2025

Rector

### **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 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 14th September 2025

13th Sunday after Trinity

## 10am Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Rev Jim
Preaching: Gerda
Deacon: Gill
Reader: Amelia

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Reading: 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Gospel Luke 15: 1-10

Intercessor: Charles

Hymns: 678, 682, 144, 143 & 805 Anthem: Lamb of God (Webbe)

### Refreshments served in the Church Centre

6pm: Choral Evensong

Lead: Rev Geoff
Preach: Rev Geoff
Reader: Sheila

Readings: Exodus 32: 7-14

1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Hymns: 698 (tune 1), 157 & 766

Psalm: 126

Anthem: O Saviour of the world (Goss)

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6pm Holy Communion in the Church Centre

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## Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Readings for Sunday 14th September

### Old Testament: Exodus 32: 7-14

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.' But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever." And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

## New Testament: 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### Gospel: Luke 15: 1-10

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance. 'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more:

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## St. Margaret's Heritage Open Days Fri 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Sept (10am - 4pm)

Refreshments available both days With a Coffee Concert on Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 1.15pm, (Tootie Flooties)

# ST. Margaret's coffee concert

Friday 26™ september 1.15pm

## ST. Peter's Handbell Ringers

REFRESHMENTS SERVED BEFORE & AFTER THE CONCERT

Free Admission, donations to church funds welcome on the day

# Harvest Service - Sunday 5th October

with guest speaker - Director of Mission, Richard Lamey followed by a Harvest Lunch

Please sign the sheet at the back of church if you would like to

come to the harvest lunch. VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED TO HELP PLEASE

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