

Your guide to this coming week

Monday 27th October

9am FISH – Church Centre
10am – 2pm Saints' Trail – In Church
NO Community Friendship Café today
11.30am Midday Prayer – **IN THE CHURCH** (Luke 13: 10-17)
5.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Tuesday 28th October

10am – 2pm Saints' Trail – In Church
2pm Busy Fingers

Wednesday 29th October

10am – 2pm Saints' Trail – In Church
12pm Midday Prayer – **IN THE CHURCH** (Luke 13: 22-30)
2pm Mothers' Union – Small Hall (Instead of 2nd Nov)
7pm Alpha Course in Church Centre

Thursday 30th October

12pm Interment of Ashes – Hubert Irwin

Friday 31st October

10am – 2pm Saints' Trail – In Church
12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30pm – 2.30pm Church Open for visitors
4pm Light Party – Church Centre
6pm Choir Practice

Sunday 2nd November

10am Sung Eucharist
4pm Bereavement & Thanksgiving Service

Light Party – Friday 31st October

4pm – 5.30pm (In the Church Centre)

Free fun for all accompanied children.

Contact: christine@simonstokes.co.uk for further information

ALL THE TREATS WITHOUT THE TRICKS

If you can help, please contact Christine or Sarah

FOODBANK DONATIONS NEEDED

If you'd like to donate food items for Lowestoft's Foodbank, please leave them at the back of church near the bell tower.

This month's most needed food items include:

**Rice Pudding, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Fruit,
Tinned Meat & UHT Milk**

Thank you for your kind donations



Christmas Fayre

Saturday 15th November 11.30am – 2.30pm
In the Church Centre (FREE ENTRY)

Festive Refreshments, Santa's Grotto & Various stalls
If you'd like a stall, see Rachel for more details

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

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

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

CONTACT DETAILS

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26.10.2025

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WELCOME TO

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

LOWESTOFT



Sunday 26th October 2025

19th Sunday after Trinity / Bible Sunday

We welcome representatives of the local Samaritans

10am Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas

Presiding: Canon Simon

Talk: The Samaritans

Deacon: Sarah

Reader: Gill

Reading: Romans 15: 1-6

Gospel: Luke 4: 16-24

Intercessor: Rev Jim

Hymns: 826, 631, 390, 378 & 588

Anthem: Turn thy face from my sins (Attwood)



SCAN FOR
SERVICE
BOOKLET

Refreshments served in the Church Centre

11.45am Baptism – Florence Fulker

12.30pm – 2pm Saints Trail

Church open for visitors – Focussing on St. Francis

4pm Sung Evensong (New Time)

Lead & Preach: Rev Geoff

Readings Luke 6:12-28

Reader: Sarah

Readings: Isaiah 45: 22-end & Romans 15: 1-6

Hymns: 664, 823 & 736

Psalm: 119 verses 105-112 (Havergal)

Anthem: Round me falls the night (Drese)

Sunday 2nd November 2025

All Saints Day

10am Sung Eucharist

4pm Bereavement & Thanksgiving Service

Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Pinebanks – Map no. 129 / Map Ref. I / J 7-8

Prince's Road – Map no. 137 / Map Ref. I / J 11

Prince's Walk - Map no. 151 / Map Ref. J / K 6-7

EVENING SERVICES - WINTER TIMES

All Evening services will now be at 4pm

We will revert to 6pm when the clocks go forward again

Readings for Sunday 26th October

Old Testament: Isaiah 45: 22-25

Thus says the Lord: Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return: 'To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.' Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

New Testament: Romans 15: 1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 4: 16-24

When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say,

"Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ
fed the hungry with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Saints' Trail

Sat 25th – Fri 31st Oct (10am-2pm)

*The church will be open Come & find out
more about St. Francis.*



Thanksgiving & Bereavement Service

Sunday 2nd November at 4pm



Light a candle in memory of a loved one
Tea & Coffee served afterwards



*There will be an opportunity to have your loved one's
name read out during this special service.*



AFRICAN DAY

Join us on Sunday 16th November

followed by an African lunch

If you would like to help, please speak with Vivian



Advent Reflection Booklets

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*Get ready for Advent; see Christine Stokes or Mary Carr to
request yours today!*

The Rob Clarke Community Trust

*An appeal following Sam Porter's visit
Last Sunday from the Foodbank*

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