

Your guide to this coming week

Please note the Church Office will be closed all week

Monday 25th May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 26th May

12 noon Funeral of Alfred Dyer
No Busy Fingers

Wednesday 27th May

12pm Middy Prayer (Mark 10: 32-45)

Friday 29th May

12pm Holy Communion
12.30 – 4pm Open Church
6pm Choir Practice

Sunday 31st May – Trinity Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist



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 entrance.

Many thanks for your kind gift.

**Sunday 24th May 2026
Pentecost**



10.00am Sung Eucharist

Presiding: Canon Simon
Preaching: Canon Simon
Deacon: Sarah
Reader: Samuel & Richard
Reading: Acts 2: 1-21
Gospel: John 20: 19-23
Intercessor: Vivian
Hymns: 238 (i), 258, 598, 747 & 264
Anthem: Holy Spirit, truth divine (Wynn Jones)



SCAN FOR
SERVICE
BOOKLET

St. Margaret's Coffee Concerts



May – September at 1.15pm



PLEASE JOIN US AND ENJOY LISTENING TO:

Friday 12th June - Tim Patient

Organist of St. Peter & St. Paul Church, Eye

FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS WELCOMED ON THE DAY

Summer Fete

Saturday 6th June 11am – 3pm

Helpers needed please

(Sign-up sheet at the back of the church)

Please speak to Rachel or Michelle for more info

New Diocesan Journey – 'Streams'

Celebrating the gift of the Holy Spirit this Pentecost.
Empowering people to speak God's goodness to others.

Explore the new mission website: exploringstreams.org

Encouraging story-telling during services,
groups & over a coffee

SAFEGUARDING

We are committed to safeguarding all worshippers, staff and visitors. If you have a concern, please refer to the noticeboards on how to voice your concern

Our Safeguarding Officer is Zoe Parle

10am service is livestreamed - Side aisles not in view

NB: The taking of photos is only permitted with the express permission of the clergy and individuals concerned

Toilet & Baby Changing available in the Centre

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THURSDAYS ARE SIMON'S DAY OF REST

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Prayers for Your Parish - Street by Street

This week, please pray for the residents of:

Evergreen Road – Map no. 130 / Ref. I 8-10

Elim Terrace – Map no. 146 / Ref. J 13

Elizabeth Close – Map no. 105 / Ref. H7

Sunday 31st May 2026

Trinity Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist

No Evening Service

Readings for Sunday 24th May 2026

Old Testament: Numbers 11: 24-30

Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!' And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

New Testament: Acts 2: 1-21

This will also be read in French at the 10am service

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen

to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Gospel: John 20: 19-23

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children
with the gift of faith,
revive your Church
with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord