



St. Margaret's Church

I P S W I C H

Trinity Sunday

Sunday (12th June)

8am Morning Prayer

a Prayer Book service with no music

We apologise that we cannot offer a communion service this morning, however St Mary le Tower have a communion service at 8am

9.30am Rise and Shine

a 30-minute service for all ages, with the Music Group

11am Morning Service

using modern language with the Choir

Click on [this link to join this Service](#) via Youtube at the time or later
Unfortunately we cannot offer a communion service this morning

This week's lectionary readings

[Romans 5 vv 1 - 5](#) and [John 16 vv 12 - 15](#)

Wednesday (15th June)

7:30pm Prayers in Church

see notice below

Parking is available in St Margaret's School car park during the above

services (for which we are grateful to the school).

Please don't leave your car while you go elsewhere!

The church is normally open Sunday afternoons until 4pm and Wednesdays from 9.30am to 4pm.

[Click here for the June Prayer Diary](#)



It was lovely to have all of St Margaret's School back in church this week for their school service - the church was absolutely full. We hope they will be able to come each Wednesday in term time from now on. Unfortunately, parents and visitors cannot be accommodated.

Wednesday Prayers



We come together in Church each Wednesday at 7.30pm to pray during the vacancy



Our prayer times continue each Wednesday at 7:30pm, led by members of the congregation.

On Wednesday 15th June Jo Gunn, Headteacher of St Margaret's School, will be leading our prayers. The PCC regards establishing closer links with the school as a key element of our church's vision for the future. This theme will be included in our Parish Profile, which is the main document that clergy will refer to when considering whether to apply to be our vicar. Please come along to this time of prayer that will focus-in on our connections with the school.

Please pray for all those involved in leading St Margaret's through this period and in the appointment of a new vicar – you may wish to use this prayer

GOD OUR FATHER

**You have welcomed each one of us in Jesus
and called us to be His Body in this place;
Send us your Holy Spirit,
at this time of uncertainty and change,
to fill us with vision, energy,
and faithfulness in prayer,
that we may be true to our calling
to bring new life to our community;
And guide with your heavenly wisdom
those who are to choose a new Incumbent for this parish,
that the one whom we receive**

may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people:
ready to serve us with joy,
to build us up in faith,
and to lead us by example
in loving obedience to your son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!



Whilst we're without a vicar there are a number of extra things for the churchwardens and administrator to do, and life is feeling a little hectic. If you feel able and willing to help with some of these activities, in order to share the load, that would be hugely appreciated. Please let us know by emailing churchwardens.stmagsips@gmail.com

We had a great response to last week's request for a wedding & funeral coordinator: thank you so much to the people who said they were willing to help with that.

So at the moment we're just looking for help with the following:

Churchyard coordinator: arrange churchyard working parties, to keep the borders and paths tidy (usually only 2 per year, although could be more frequent) and occasionally liaise with the Borough Council regarding their maintenance of the churchyard.

Thank You

Flower arrangements

Thank you to all who came along and decorated the Church for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. It was lovely to have some new people come along and help.

We would like all arrangements cleared on or before Saturday 11th June please. The Church will be open from 9.30 - 11am only.

*Please take your oasis home and put it in your black bins and put all foliage and flowers on the compost heap at rear of Church yard please. Do not leave it for someone else to clear up.
Thank you.*

Replacement Lighting

After years of preparation, on Monday 13th June work will start in church to replace the internal lighting. The new scheme will improve light levels throughout the church, replace aging wiring and save energy. Please understand that church openings (apart from services and other planned events) may be restricted during the 6-8 weeks that the work is expected to take.

As in previous years, our church will be used as part of **Ipswich Arts Association Music Day** on July 3rd. The organisers have wondered if any of our congregation would like to act as stewards in church between 13:50 and 15:40pm (which will host Martlesham Brass and Trianon). For more details please contact verger.stmagsips@gmail.com by 15th June.



Covid Arrangements

The use of face coverings is optional.

Communion will be received at the rail, still by bread alone. Reminders of the procedure will be given during the service. You are encouraged to remove your mask (if you are wearing one) at the communion rail so that you can take the bread before you move away.

We fully support those who prefer to continue to use face coverings (for the benefit of themselves and/or others). Please continue to be aware of each others concerns -

keeping distancing where needed. Everyone is still encouraged to use hand sanitiser as they arrive at church.

Website: www.stmargaretsipswich.org.uk

To contact 'the church' it would be most helpful if you could email the Churchwardens churchwardens.stmagsips@gmail.com and/or the Verger administrator verger.stmagsips@gmail.com in the first instance. If email is not possible, a new mobile phone has been introduced where you can leave a message - call 07733 609661. These messages will be checked at least once per day.

Items for next week's sheet to Andy (verger.stmagsips@gmail.com), ideally by email, by **Thursday lunchtime please**. If you would like to receive this mailing each week please contact [Andy Turpin](#) or complete [the form on the website](#).

