



St. Margaret's Church

I P S W I C H

The First Sunday after Trinity

Sunday (19th June)

8am Holy Communion

a Prayer Book service with no music

We welcome Rev Jutta Brueck, who will lead this service

9.30am Rise and Shine with Green Church

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

11am Parish Communion

using modern language with the Choir

Click on [this link to join this Service](#) via Youtube at the time or later

We welcome Archdeacon Jeanette Gosney, who will lead this service

This week's lectionary readings

[Galations 3 vv 23 - end](#) and [Luke 8 vv 26 - 39](#)

Wednesday (22nd June)

7:30pm Prayers in Church

Our prayer times continue, led by members of the congregation.

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 has been lovely to have all of St Margaret's School back in church these past two weeks 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.

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**



We are grateful to a small team who have started compiling our **Parish Profile**. This document will tell prospective new vicars about us, where we feel God is leading us, and what we believe we need from a new incumbent. The team is Gill Jackson, Carol Klug, Tim Lockington and George Woodward.

Please remember them and this activity in your prayers. They have been provided with a variety of information to include in the profile (including the post-it notes we all completed) and will ask should they need anything further. Compiling this information will obviously take some time, then it needs to be reviewed and agreed by various people (including our Bishop) before we advertise. Finally (once selected) the candidate will probably have to work three month's notice in their existing position before joining us.

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

The funeral of Audrey Roberts took place at Morden College Chapel, London last Friday. A small contingent from St Margaret's was able to be there. You can [follow this link](#) to view a recording of the funeral. The cremation can also be viewed at <https://watch.obitus.com/pWuSvh>, using User name: pame7481, Password: 915644

Replacement Lighting

The works have started in church to replace the internal lighting. The new scheme will improve light levels throughout the church, replace ageing wiring and save energy. Most activities in church will be unaffected. Wednesday opening will continue, but please understand there will be work going on. Some Sunday afternoon openings may need to be suspended. While the work is ongoing there will be lighting in church, but it won't be fully representative of the finished system.



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](#).