

St.Margaret's Church

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This Church Year features the Gospel of Mark Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity

Sunday 6th October 2024

8am Holy Communion

A thirty-minute Prayer Book service in traditional language with no music. Ephesians 4.17-32 and Matthew 9.1-8

09.30 am Rise and Shine

A service for all ages which this week will explore the Creation Story. All welcome. Refreshments after the service.

11am Parish Communion

With the choir leading the music, congregational hymns, Junior Church and refreshments after the service. All welcome.

You can view the livestream of the 11am service here.

Sunday's lectionary readings:

Genesis 2.18-24, Hebrews 1,1-4, Hebrews 12.5-12 and Mark 10.2-16

Parking is available in St Margaret's School car park during these services.

Please drive slowly and carefully through the gates.

(we are grateful for our partnership with the school)

The church is open daily from 10am to 4pm

The Church Office (in the Church Centre) is usually open Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9.30am-2.30pm

<u>Click here for Livestreamed Services</u>

Click here for the October Prayer Diary



Are you Environmentally Friendly?

Yesterday (4th October), was the day on which the Church of England remembers St Francis of Assisi - famously known for being a friend to God's creatures and the created order. Known for a simple lifestyle, his story in many ways seems far removed from the reality of most people's lives today.

There are a myriad of resources and marketing campaigns advising us... indeed telling us... how important it is to live sustainably. Yet in reality, how much do we really attend to this?

So today I'm inviting you to take a good look at how environmentally friendly you are?

As The Very Revd Keith Jones preached at Evensong recently, we are all dust, and to dust we shall return: creatures of the soil, moulded by the creator's hand. So yes, ultimately we are completely and utterly environmentally friendly - something we shall have an opportunity to think more deeply with Grave Talk opportunities in November... details to follow soon. But as we remember St Francis, let's ask ourselves what environmental footprints we are choosing to leave by the decisions that we take? We might also find out a little more about the <u>Society of St Francis</u> and learn something from those who have made this way central in their calling to live out Christ's truth in the world today.

Vicar Sarah

Out of Office

Lucy, the Church administrator, will be out of office from the 8th of October and returning on the 22nd of October. The office will be open for a few hours on Monday 7th October so anything urgent that needs doing before then please email verger.stmagsips@gmail.com. If something urgent comes up while Lucy is out of office please email Sarah at revsarahgeileskey@gmail.com. All other emails will be replied to on her return.

Come and join us on Wednesday 9th October 2.30pm for Cornerstones Friendship Group in the Gladwyn Room. We will be making lavender bags and exploring Compassionate Conversations. All welcome.



A friendship group meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

2.30 - 4pm in the Gladwyn Room, Church Centre, Bolton Lane

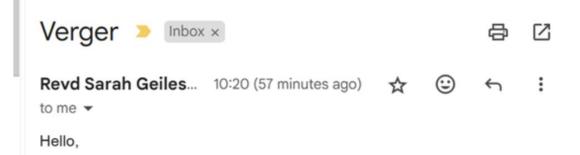
a cup of tea/coffee/biscuit and enjoy some company and friendly chat. Toys and books available for children.

9th October
13th November
11th December

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Spam Email



It's been a productive year, but challenging, and everyone has worked so hard and shown a level of commitment that I find inspirational. I feel the need to reward some staff for their work commitment and dedication during this time.

I'm planning a surprise for some hard-working staff, and your confidentiality would be appreciated so as not to ruin the impact of the surprise, something small, but just a way to spur them on to even greater heights of excellence. As a token of my appreciation, I would like you to purchase the gift cards, what's the closest store you can think of to make a purchase quickly on my behalf?. I will be responsible for the reimbursement personally and also you will be rewarded for your help.

Thanks and God Bless.

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Any singers are welcome, as individuals, or as a choir, to join the Cathedral's Director of Music, Claudia Grinnell, at this year's Diocesan Choral Festival at the Cathedral. Click here for more details and to register your place by Sunday, 6th October.

Giuseppe Pitoni - Cantate Domino

Hymn: Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem

Psalm 8

Hymn: Crown him with many crowns

Peter Nardone - I give to you a new commandment

Hymn: Brother, sister, let me serve you

Charles Wood - O thou the central orb Hymn: How shall I sing that majesty?

Men's Breakfast

Come and join us on Saturday 12th October for Men's Breakfast. Please see poster below for more details.



Men's group will meet 8.30 for 8.45 on Saturday for a light breakfast and fellowship in the Churcl Centre on 12/10/24 and 26/10/24. Do join us

Let Richard Jackson know or richardjackson1@gmail.com or 07768113497 and he will add you to the regular invitations by whatsapp text and/or email or just come anyway if you're free

Upcoming Dates 09/11/24 and 23/11/2024

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Cups on a String Theatre Performance

Riding Lights Theatre Company is pleased to announce Cups on a String by Bridget Foreman, a new play touring in partnership with Transforming Lives for Good, a Christian charity that helps churches to bring hope and a future to struggling children.

Sypnosis:

Joe's eleven and home is hard. School is even harder. He breaks stuff: pencils, chairs, rules. One thing he won't break is his silence.

Heather's fifty-seven. She's got a comfortable life and a comfortable home. But her comfortable world is about to be turned upside down as she and Joe spend an hour a week together. Every week. For a year.

Where will this journey of hours and weeks take them?

To book tickets or for more information please click here

Burlington Baptist Church, London Road 9th October at 07.30pm.

St Margaret's Quiz

Come and join us on Saturday 23rd November from 7pm for a Quiz in the Church Centre.

Please see flyer below for more details. We look forward to seeing you there.

Quiz Night Saturday 23 November 7.30pm Church Centre, Bolton Lane

St Margaret's Church Centre, Bolton Lane, IP4 2BT
7pm arrival for a 7.30pm start.
Parking available in school playground next door.

Tickets £10 per person including a baked potato supper. Pay on the night by cash or card.

Teams of 6 - 8 people.

Licensed bar and raffle!

To book your table email Stuart at quiz.stmagsips@gmail.com by 15th November.

All proceeds going towards Church funds.

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Choir of the Chapel Royal Hampton Court Palace



The Choir of the Chapel Royal Hampton Court Palace are visiting Suffolk as part of the Wolsey 550 celebrations that have taken place in Ipswich.

On Saturday 12 October the boys and men of the Chapel Royal will be joined by the boys and adults from St Mary-le-Tower Ipswich for a concert in the Jubilee Hall, Aldeburgh. To book tickets and for more information please click here

If you cannot make the concert, St Mary-le-Tower is welcoming the Chapel Royal on Sunday 13 October for their 10.30am Eucharist and in the afternoon for the annual Civic Service (3.30pm).

Ipswich Direct Surveys

Ipswich Direct are inviting the public to take part in their Housing Strategy and Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy consultations.

The new strategies will cover 2025-2030 and will identify 5 priorities for each service.

To take part in the consultations please click the links below. They are open until the 15th October.

Housing Strategy Survey

Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Survey

Friends of St Margaret's Church Group...Invite your friends along

All welcome to come and join the new friends of St Margaret's group. The first get together is on Friday 18th October at 7.30pm in the Church. Invite your friends and neighbours along as well.

friends.stmagsips@gmail.com Are you a friend of St Margaret's Church? Can you tick 'yes' to one or more ...? ☐ Love heritage buildings? ☐ Married or Christened here? ☐ Grateful for the peaceful, quiet space? ☐ Connected past or present with the school? ☐ Love Christmas Carols or Midnight Mass? ☐ Enjoy the occasional concert? ☐ Live in the parish? ☐ Rarely, if ever, go to church? ... your church needs your friendship today. Please join us for our first get-together on Friday 18 October at 7.30pm in St Margaret's church, Soane St, for a glass of vine, and to learn how you can be our friend Parking available in St Margaret's school playground www.stmargaretsipswich.org.uk welcoming people of all faiths and none St.Margaret's Church

Future services

In addition to the main services at the top of the pew sheet, here are the details of other services taking place

Tuesday 8th October

8.00am Morning Prayer in School

Friday 11th October

8.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 13th October

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Rise and Shine

11.00am Parish Communion

Tuesday 15th October

8.00am Morning Prayer in School

Friday 18th October

8.00am Morning Prayer

Sunday 20th October

8.00am BCP Holy Communion10.30am Cafe Church11.00am Parish Communion

Pastoral Support

Please let us know if you or someone in St Margaret's community is unwell and would like a visit at home or is in hospital - Home Communion can be arranged. Maggie Conder is our pastoral care team leader or contact the vicar, Sarah.



Financial Giving

The life and mission of St Margaret's is financially sustained through generous giving. If you have been giving regularly as part of your practice of gratefully living in God's service, thank you. If you're new to the community, or would like to think about celebrating life in this way, you may find the following helpful: we receive no income from 'The Church'... we are the church! So, thank you – for anything and everything that you are able to give in response to God's generosity.

Here are some answers to the practicalities of giving:

- Collection plate during services a collection plate is sometimes passed among the congregation, but you will more often find it at the South door as you leave or arrive.
- Tap giving during services a tap giving machine is located on the pillar on the west wall, to the left of the bell tower – do consider tapping your card or device. As well as giving regularly, this is also a good way of offering an occasional additional gift.
- Regular Giving St Margaret's is registered with the <u>Parish Giving Scheme</u>, allowing you to be in control of your giving and to give securely and safely online by Direct Debit.
- Online giving If you wish to make a one-off or extra gift online, you can do so securely via the Parish Giving Scheme.
- **Gift Aid** if you are a tax payer, St Margaret's can claim back the basic tax you have already paid to the government. To make the appropriate declarations, please speak with the treasurer, <u>John Grierson</u>.
- Leaving a **gift in your will** or making a **donation in memory** of a loved one no matter how large or small, every gift makes a difference. If you would like to talk about this with someone, in confidence, then please consider speaking with the treasurer, <u>John Grierson</u> or the Vicar, <u>Sarah</u>.



John Grierson, Church Treasurer

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Sarah's rest days are usually Thursday each week and the second Friday of each month

Ordinand Helen Prior-Townsend:

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Helen is a self-supporting ordinand, working full time. Her parish rest day is usually on Tuesdays.

Churchwardens <u>churchwardens.stmagsips@gmail.com</u> Verger administrator <u>verger.stmagsips@gmail.com</u> Or telephone 07733 609661 and leave a message.

Items for next week's sheet to the Verger Administrator (verger.stmagsips@gmail.com), ideally by email, by **Thursday lunchtime please**. If you would like to receive this mailing each week please <u>send an email</u> or complete the form on the website.