

The Benefice of All Saints, Highbrook & St Margaret of Antioch, West Hoathly

Benefice Notices for the First Sunday In Lent

This week

Daily Prayer at St Margaret's (Tuesday - Saturday:)

8.30am Morning Prayer 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Holy Communion - 9.30am every Wednesday at St Margaret's

Time with God; may be especially helpful if you are away at the weekend or have family commitments which make coming to church on Sunday difficult.

Next Sunday (17th March)

The Second Sunday of Lent

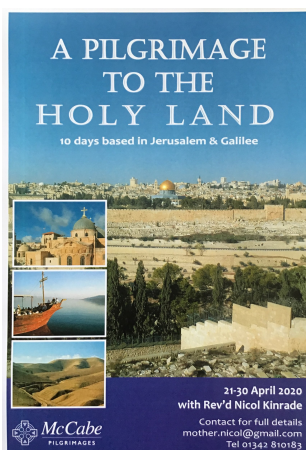
8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) - St Margaret's, West Hoathly

9.00am Mattins (BCP) - All Saints', Highbrook

10.00am All Ages Eucharist - St Margaret's, West Hoathly

4.00pm 2020 Pilgrimage Launch - St Margaret's, West Hoathly

Parish Pilgrimage



We are very excited to announce that we are planning a parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2020. We are launching the pilgrimage on **Sunday 17th March, 4pm at St Margaret's**, with wine and Mediterranean-style nibbles. There will be a short presentation to set the scene and outline the itinerary, and an opportunity to ask questions about how the Holy Land pilgrimage will run.

All welcomed and encouraged!

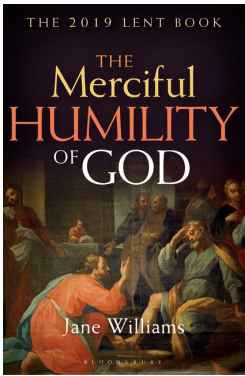
Lent

Diocesan Lent Course - Living Christ.



This is 5 sessions, with short videos, Bible readings and discussion, looking at what it means for us to discover life in all its fullness (John 10.10) and to respond to the call of God in our lives. It will be held at St Margaret's, 10.30-12.00am (March Friday 15th, Thursday 21st, Thursday 28th, April Thursday 4th, Friday 12th). A 2nd group will be meeting on Tuesday evenings (for more details, please speak to Derek Shurvell.)

Lent book club.



We will be reading 'The Merciful Humility of God' by Jane Williams. If you want to join the book club, please purchase the book (or speak to Mthr Nicol if you need assistance ordering a copy), and read the Introduction and chapter 1, by the first meeting. The Book Club will meet at All Saints' on Saturday mornings 9.30-11.00am (March 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th and 13th)

Lent lunches.

Thursday 21st March, 12.30pm at Luctons, West Hoathly

Saturday 6th April, 12.00 noon at Highbrook Village Hall.

There will be a £5 charge for a simple lunch. The money will be put towards the Lent donation to our mission charities: Open House Crawley & the Diocesan Lent appeal, Turning Tides. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, so we have an idea of catering numbers. Thank you.

Additional Lent events:

- Hal and Rory Clarke would like to invite everyone to a Lent coffee morning, every Monday (10.30am to 12.00 noon) from 11th March to 15th April, at Cinder Hill House, Horsted Keynes RH17 7BD. There is no charge but voluntary donations will go to CAFOD.
- Ecumenical Stations of the Cross will be said at Worth Abbey every Friday evening in Lent, 8-8.50pm.

Further afield & coming up...

Electoral Roll

Every 6 years a new Electoral Roll of each Parish must be prepared, which is taking place this year. Being on the Electoral Roll gives you the right to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Council, and to stand for as Churchwarden, or for the PCC or Deanery Synod. Forms can be found at the back of church, and **must be returned by Sunday 31st March (Mothering Sunday)**. If you have any questions, please speak to your Electoral Roll Officer: St Margaret's - Duncan Dunsmore-Rouse (Tel: 01342 810509), All Saints' - Sophie Hill (Tel: 01342 810282)

APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meetings will take place on:

All Saints - Sunday 14th April, at 7pm following Evensong

St Margaret's - Sunday 28th April, at 11am following Holy Communion.

If you would be interested in standing as:

PCC member, Deanery Synod Representative, or Churchwarden

please speak to Mthr Nicol or a current role holder. Nomination forms are at the back of the churches, and should be handed in by the day before the APCM.

Churchyard Working Parties

All welcome to carry out a whole variety of jobs to keep the Churchyard neat and tidy. Please bring gloves, cutting tools and brushes.

St Margaret's: Last Friday of the month: 29th March, 26th April.

10.00 am - Noon to include coffee and cake. For further details contact Derek Shurvell, 01342 810780 or derekshurvell@gmail.com

All Saints': 1st Saturday of the month: 6th April, 5th May. Please contact Andrea Browne for further details.

The John Smith Fund

exists to show a hand of friendship when times are hard. This can come as a £40 voucher for the village shop, a sack of coal or a contribution paid directly to an energy supplier. Please contact Helen Scott if you would like to apply or if you know of anyone living in our villages who would welcome a grant.

email: thejohnsmithfund@gmail.com

Tel: 01342 811845 or 07887 928442

For our Prayers

The sick and housebound or in especial guidance: Molly, John, Margaret, Shirley, Michael Mays, Isobel & Rebecca Thomas, Doritt Howells, Sue & Gordon Young, Gilly Paine, and Robin & Sharon Ingham.

For those whose year's mind falls at this time or have died recently, and those who are grieving for them.

For those preparing for baptism (Connie Newman, and Felicity Tonna), or for marriage (Gus Unger-Hamilton & April Travell, and Denis Betson & Gilly Keat).

If you would like to add someone's name to the prayer list, please contact Mthr Nicol.

Contact details

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Mthr Nicol's day off is Monday.