

PEW NEWS

St Margaret's
West Hoathly



Welcome to our Parishes



All Saints
Highbrook

Epiphany

Sunday 7th January 2018

10am Holy Communion - St Margaret's
4pm Evensong - All Saints

Readings

Isaiah 60.1-6 - Kay Masters
1 Corinthians 9. 24-27 - Kathy Brown
Matthew 2.1-12

Prayers - Valerie Fyans

Lay Ministers

Erica Ansell, Margaret Mason

Sidespeople

Kathleen Campbell, Margaret Mason, Ruth Pitcairn

Sunday 14th January 2018

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

9am Holy Communion - All Saints
10am Holy Communion St Margaret's
4pm Evensong - St Margaret's

Readings

1 Samuel 3: 1-10 - Steve Curtis
Revelations 5 : 1-10 - Anne Thorne
John 1: 43 - end

Prayers - Margaret Watson

Lay Ministers

Margaret Mason, Derek Shurvell

Sidespeople

Erica Ansell, Bev Mager, Mary Mays

Please Remember in your Prayers

Valerie Fyans and her Family
Derek , Lindsay & Thomas Shurvell
The family of Maureen Porter
The family of Nigel Dunsmore - Rouse
Bob and Rejane Trusson, Dave Williams
Del and Maureen Beckett,
Julia & her family, Michael Mays
Doritt Howells, Jean Creasey,
Thomas Trower, Betty Wilkinson,
Robin and Sharon Ingham
Isobel and Rebecca Thomas

Pastoral Care

If you are need of urgent help or advice.
Please try the numbers below



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The Collect for Epiphany

O God,
who by the leading of a star manifested your
only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Old Testament - Isaiah 60.1- 6 NRSV

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 9. 24-27 NRSV

Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win it. Athletes exercise self-control in all things; they do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one. So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; but I punish my body and enslave it, so that after proclaiming to others I myself should not be disqualified.



Gospel - Matthew 2.1-12 (NRSV)

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

New Year Recap on Surviving the Interregnum

Interregnums are never a piece of cake!
It can be a frustrating and challenging time -
but it can also be a time for us to learn -
to keep our church and faith strong - to enjoy
supporting, welcoming, encouraging friends,
neighbours and visitors to our churches .
And remember it is only **TEMPORARY**.

But we won't get through it without lots of:

PRAYER
PATIENCE
PERSEVERANCE
POSITIVE THINKING

It's all about Team Work
so let's hang in there!



A collection is taken during the third hymn.

If you would like to give regularly to the life
and upkeep of St Margaret's Church,
do have a word with one of our
Churchwardns, Erica or Margaret,

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We've raised £219, 000 so far!

Thank you all for
your support
Let's keep going



Any items for the Pew News?

Just let Margaret Watson know

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