

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



Benefice Notices for the 5th Sunday of Easter
Sunday 28th April 2024

Worship & upcoming services.

Thursday 2nd May 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

Friday 3rd May 5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)

Next Sunday (5th May)

6th Sunday of Easter

10.30am All Age Eucharist

St Margaret's, West Hoathly

6.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

All Saints', Highbrook

Thursday 9th May (**Ascension Day**) 7pm, St Margaret's – Holy Communion

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

St Margaret's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) - Sunday 19th



May following the 10.30am Eucharist. The St Margaret's electoral roll is now open for revision, with forms available via the website or from the back of the church. If you are a regular worshipper at St Margaret's but are not yet on our Electoral Roll, **now is a good time to sign-up.** Please email or give completed forms to either the St Margaret's E.R. Officer, Duncan Dunsmore-Rouse, at duncanrouse67@gmail.com or give or email to Rev'd Heather at heather.wilkin78@gmail.com.

In preparation for the APCM, the roll will close on Tuesday 30th April.

Formal notice for our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be given on Saturday 4th May. The relevant nomination forms will be available from Rev'd Heather or the churchwardens.

All Saints' Highbrook PCC welcomes Sophie Neal who has been co-opted onto the PCC to serve for year 2024-2025.

St Margaret's Churchyard Working Parties: Next one – **Tues.** 7th May from 2-4pm. All welcome to lend a hand! Contact Derek derekshurvell@gmail.com

All Saints' Church Cleaning: Many thanks to the 'angels'(!) who lent a hand with the recent cleaning. Your time and efforts are much appreciated. The next one will be on Thursday 30th May, from 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.

Mission – joining in with God's work of love in the world.

Christian Aid Week: 12th - 18th May 2024: We invite you, if you can, to support the '7 days, so many ways Christian Aid Week Appeal'.



With 7 days and so many ways to raise funds for the Christian Aid Week appeal, what will you pick? Bake, run, swim, walk or simply financially give what you can?

This year, Christian Aid envelopes will NOT be coming through your doors. Instead, we ask that whatever funds you would like to donate are either donated directly to them online on the Christian Aid website: <https://give.christianaid.org.uk/donate/CAM-006503> Or, if you prefer, please put your donation in an envelope labelled 'Christian Aid Week Appeal' and pass it on to St Margaret's Church – via Rev'd Heather at the WH Vicarage, Bev Mager in Sharpthorne, or when you come to our Spring Fair on Saturday 18th May. (There will also be some Christian Aid envelopes in church for you to use if you prefer.)

Events – growing together as a community.

St Margaret's Spring Fair - Saturday 18th May from 10am – 12 noon: Hopefully this event is in your diary! Please come along, bringing friends and neighbours with you, to browse the stalls, enjoy the refreshments, and enjoy some fellowship.

Offers of help to run stalls would be much appreciated. Please speak to Derek Shurvell (derekshurvell@gmail.com) to volunteer your time, to offer contributions to the church run stalls, and to help us to make this fundraising event a big success.

If you would be able to provide any cakes for the church's stall, we would love to hear from you. Please talk to Sarah Pigram or Ann Hutchings to arrange delivery/collection nearer the time, or to chat about sponsoring ingredients. Contact details: sarahlpigram@outlook.com mobile: 07765 091000.



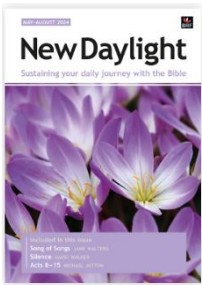
HIGHBROOK VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING

Highbrook Village Hall, from 10.00am until 12.30pm

Open to all residents and friends of Highbrook.

Next one: Tuesday 14th May.

Study – deepening our understanding of God.



New Daylight Booklet (published by the Bible Reading Fellowship): New Daylight is published three times a year in January, May, and September. It is an ideal publication for anyone wanting an accessible yet stimulating aid to spending time with God each day, deepening their faith and their knowledge of scripture. Each issue provides four months of daily Bible readings and comment, with a team of regular contributors drawn from a range of church backgrounds and covering a varied selection of Old and New Testament, biblical themes, characters, and seasonal readings. Each daily section includes a short Bible passage (text included), thought-provoking comment and a prayer or point for reflection.

If you would like to receive it through your church (£4.99 per booklet, three times a year) then please contact Sophie Neal (legsheath@btinternet.com or ring 07973 679538) for more information, for details of payment methods and delivery.

Prayer - spending time with God.



Prayer for the week:

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life:

give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

For our Prayers: Please remember to pray for yourself, for our communities, for our nation, and for the whole world.

The sick and housebound or in need of especial guidance: Debbie, Mary Cocking, Jenny Page, Shirley, HM King Charles III, Gill Couchy, Rebecca, Damian, Princess of Wales, Mike Tourell.

Those preparing for Baptism: Henry Tattersall, Noah Patterson, Finn Jefferis, Benedict Kent.

Those preparing for Marriage: Sally and Karl, Lucy and Aidan, Summer and Matt, Kate and Mike, Trudy and Huw, John and Hayley.

The recently departed, for John Trueman, and for those whose anniversary of death falls this week, for Veronica, and all who are grieving for them.

*If you would like to add someone's name to the prayer list, please email Rev'd Heather (heather.wilkin78@gmail.com).
If you are asking for someone else, please make sure you have their permission to have their name added publicly.*

For details of how to join others online for prayer, worship, study, and community life, and for updates, please check our website:

www.allsaints-highbrook.org.uk & www.westhoathly.org.uk

And social media:

Facebook - [@stmargaretswesthoathlyallsaintshighbrook](https://www.facebook.com/stmargaretswesthoathlyallsaintshighbrook)

Twitter - [@StMargarets_WH](https://twitter.com/StMargarets_WH)

YouTube - search for 'St Margarets West Hoathly All Saints Highbrook'

CONTACT DETAILS

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Heather's rest day is usually Monday.

Churchwardens of St Margaret's:

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Tim Baker (churchwardenstmargarets@outlook.com)

Churchwardens of All Saints':

Adam Hackett (adamjphackett@outlook.com) or

Roger Cobden-Ramsay (Roger.cobdenramsay@gmail.com)

Items for inclusion on the weekly Benefice Notice sheet: Please send to Karen (by 12noon Wednesday) at brkb410@gmail.com

Thy Kingdom Come (9th May - 19th May): Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

Since it began in May 2016, God has grown TKC from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions- so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.



Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way. It is TKC's hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him. Specifically, each and every Christian across the globe is invited to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, you are invited to take part and join in. For more info, please follow the link here: <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities." Archbishop Justin Welby