



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



**Benefice Notices for Pentecost**  
**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Worship & upcoming services.**

**Don't forget!! St Margaret's Church's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) – This Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May after the 10.30am Eucharist.**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion  
7.45 for 8pm, St Margaret's - Deanery Synod meeting  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 12.30pm, All Saints' – Wedding of Katherine Cobden-Ramsay and Michael Moores

**Next Sunday (26<sup>th</sup> May)**

**Trinity Sunday**

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

*All Saints', Highbrook*

10.30am Eucharist

*St Margaret's, West Hoathly*

**Stewardship - generous giving to and through God**

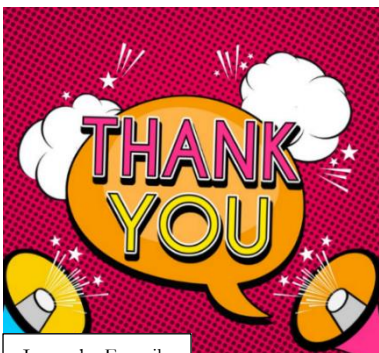


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**Thank you from St Margaret's Church!** A *big thank you* to everyone who supported our Spring Fair, especially those who baked cakes and goodies, all our buyers and sellers, and those who kindly helped to set up and/or to tidy away. It was a real team effort. It was lovely to see so many people coming along and enjoying being together in church. The total raised, which will go to supporting the Mission and Ministry of St Margaret's Church, will be announced soon.

**All Saints' Church Cleaning:** The next one will be on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May, from 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.

**St Margaret's Churchyard working party:** The next working party will be on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. 2-4 p.m. Contact Derek [derekshurvell@gmail.com](mailto:derekshurvell@gmail.com) for more details, or simply turn up, ideally with gloves, on the day. Thanks!

## *Mission – joining in with God’s work of love in the world.*

**Christian Aid Week 2024:** A *big thank you* on behalf of Christian Aid for all the donations they will receive from you, via us, through your fundraising efforts and financial contributions, and by donations made online. Please may we have any remaining donations you wish us to pass on by Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

**FSW News** from Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising & Marketing:

*“Dear Friends,*

*FSW has been a hive of activity in the last month. Many of our practitioners have been running group sessions for their clients to support them in parenting issues as well as their normal day-to-day home visits. These groups are a really valuable way for parents to learn new skills when faced with challenging behaviour from their children and have been a great success. We are also still receiving a large number of new referrals which we are trying to accept as quickly as we can, although waiting lists are still in place in most areas.*

*Our fundraising and events schedule continues to be very busy, although unfortunately our skydive at the end of April was cancelled because of poor weather. This has been rescheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup> so hopefully*

*there will not be any weather-related problems next time. We will be at the South of England Show again from June 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> so if you are planning on attending the Show, please do come and find us opposite the Norfolk Pavilion.*

*Our foodbank is currently running very low on lots of items so we would appreciate your support with any donations (see poster displayed here for specific details).*

*With my huge thanks for your continued support.”*

### **April’s work in numbers:**

230 individual visits and 1125 calls with families supporting 267 adults and 215 children; 42 supported meetings with other agencies; 50 group sessions held supporting 792 parents and 651 children; 99 food deliveries made.

### **Prayer points:**

- Give thanks for the appointment of Richard Bickersteth as our new Chair of Trustees.
- Pray for all our children currently in the middle of school exams, and for a supportive atmosphere at home.
- Pray that our staff are able to find the right balance between work and rest during these busy spring and summer months when many extra activities are taking place.



## Events – growing together as a community.



### Highbrook Village Coffee morning.

Held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month in Highbrook Village Hall  
10.30am -12.30pm

Open to all residents and friends of Highbrook. No agenda - just come for a natter. Donations towards the hall running costs are appreciated.

**Next coffee morning:  
11<sup>th</sup> June.**



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## Warm summer days ahead!

Save the date and join us as we come together as a community.

**BIG PICNIC – Finche Field**  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 12 - 3pm**  
Brass Band and entertainment for the children!

**ALL WELCOME!**  
Come and join us for this special event organised for the community by St Margaret's Church.



## Study – deepening our understanding of God.

**The Weekly Readings and Prayers at the St Margaret's Sunday Eucharist:** If you would like to read these in advance, or re-read and reflect on them after the Eucharist, they can be downloaded from the website or emailed directly to you by Karen at [brkb410@gmail.com](mailto:brkb410@gmail.com)



## Prayer - spending time with God.

**Evening Prayer on Fridays at 5.30pm in St Margaret's:** You are invited to leave your prayers on the prayer tree in St Margaret's (and they can be anonymous if you wish) or email them to Rev'd Heather. All prayers left each week are offered up to God at Evening Prayer on Fridays.

## Prayer for the week:

*Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the  
breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.  
Those preparing for Marriage: Sally and Karl, Lucy and Aidan, Kate and Mike, Trudy and Huw, John and Hayley.

The recently departed, for Janet Slater and Andrew Maynard, and for those whose anniversary of death falls this week, for Sylvia James, 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](mailto: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](http://www.allsaints-highbrook.org.uk) & [www.westhoathly.org.uk](http://www.westhoathly.org.uk)

**And social media:**

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

Twitter - [@StMargarets\\_WH](https://www.twitter.com/@StMargarets_WH)

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

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