



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



### Benefice Notices for Trinity 15 – Sun. 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Worship & upcoming services.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)



**Next Sunday (5<sup>th</sup> October) Trinity 16**  
10.30am All-Age Harvest Festival Eucharist,  
*St Margaret's*

6pm Harvest Festival Evensong (BCP)  
*All Saints', Highbrook*

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

**East Grinstead Foodbank Harvest appeal**

Help support your food bank this Harvest

In the three weeks leading up to Harvest, the food bank will provide over 100 food parcels for local individuals and families facing hardship.

**Donate food**

Donate an item or two from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community. Donate online - [giveitoday.co.uk/egfoodbank/](http://giveitoday.co.uk/egfoodbank/)

**Donate money**

Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects. Donate online - [eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk/harvest-appeal/](http://eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk/harvest-appeal/)

**East Grinstead.foodbank.org.uk**

Registered Charity in England & Wales 1208342

#### Harvest Festival.

Next Sunday we will be holding Harvest Festival services at both churches, and there will be an opportunity to say thank you to God for all the gifts of the harvest, and to share God's bounty with those who are less fortunate. We will be dividing all food

**Family Support Work HARVEST FESTIVAL FOODBANK COLLECTION**

We would be grateful if you could collect tinned and packaged food items to help support families across Sussex.

- Canned vegetables
- Baked beans
- Soup
- Jams and spreads
- Coffee and tea
- Tinned fruit
- Pasta sauce
- Ketchup / Mayonnaise
- Biscuits / Crisps
- Tinned meat / fish
- Snack bars
- Cereal

No fresh, chilled or out of date items, thank you!

Please contact Spencer on 01273 832 963 or email [Spencer@familysupportwork.org.uk](mailto:Spencer@familysupportwork.org.uk) to arrange a collection

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donations between our mission partners. ***Please ensure your donations are in date.*** See the posters displayed here for details of the **East Grinstead Foodbank Appeal** and the **FSW Appeal**. The **Crawley Open House Appeal** and the **Refugees Welcome Crawley's** current Wishlist are both on display in St Margaret's Church.

## Stewardship - generous giving to and through God



### Calling all knitters and crocheters...



The Committee of the West Hoathly Royal British Legion are planning to create a big poppy fall inside St Margaret's Church to mark this special year of 80<sup>th</sup> anniversaries, and for the Remembrance Sunday Service on 9<sup>th</sup> November. The plan is to attach knitted or crocheted poppies to netting to create the fall. **Please would you help them by knitting or crocheting poppies?** Patterns for poppies can be downloaded from the St Margaret's Church website. Poppies can be left in the church or given to Bev Mager ([bkmager55@gmail.com](mailto:bkmager55@gmail.com)). The more poppies made, the bigger the display, so please may we encourage you to get knitting and/or crocheting now!

**Thank you so much.**

**All Saints' Church Cleaning:** Grateful thanks to the 'holy dusters(!)' who helped recently - good work team! Next session – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.



### St Margaret's Churchyard working party:

The next one will be on Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> October from 2-4pm.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Contact: [derekshurvell@gmail.com](mailto:derekshurvell@gmail.com)



## Events – growing together as a community.

*Looking ahead – some dates for your diaries...*



A warm welcome awaits for  
**COFFEE CAKE CHAT**

At St Margaret's Church

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October**  
**10am - 12noon**

No charge but a contribution towards expenses welcomed.

- **All Souls' Day Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving** – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 11am, at St Margaret's Church.
- **Lantern Making** – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 1.00-5.00pm, at West Hoathly Village Hall.
- **Carols in the Square** - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm, preceded by the lantern procession.

## **Study – deepening our understanding 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 ahead:**

*Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us:  
open our eyes to your wonders,  
that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end,  
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: Glen, Mary Darlinson, Joyce Fish, Val, Mary Cocking, Gill Couchy, Annie, Steve, Stella, Sylvia, Joyce, and Mark.

Those preparing for Marriage: Sophie & Joe.

The recently departed, Kenny, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, and all who are grieving for them.

For God's blessing on the life of our villages' businesses and service providers. For God's forgiveness for our neglect of His creation and at times our indifference to future generations. For God's help for us to be more thoughtful stewards of this earth, and to make amends.

*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

Twitter - @StMargarets\_WH

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

### St Margaret's Easyfundraising page:

Scan the QR code or follow the link here

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmargaretswesthoathly>

to raise free donations to us at **no** extra cost to you!



### CONTACT DETAILS

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*Heather's rest day is usually Monday.*

### **Churchwardens of St Margaret's:**

*Ann Hutchings* ([churchwardenstmargarets@outlook.com](mailto:churchwardenstmargarets@outlook.com) or

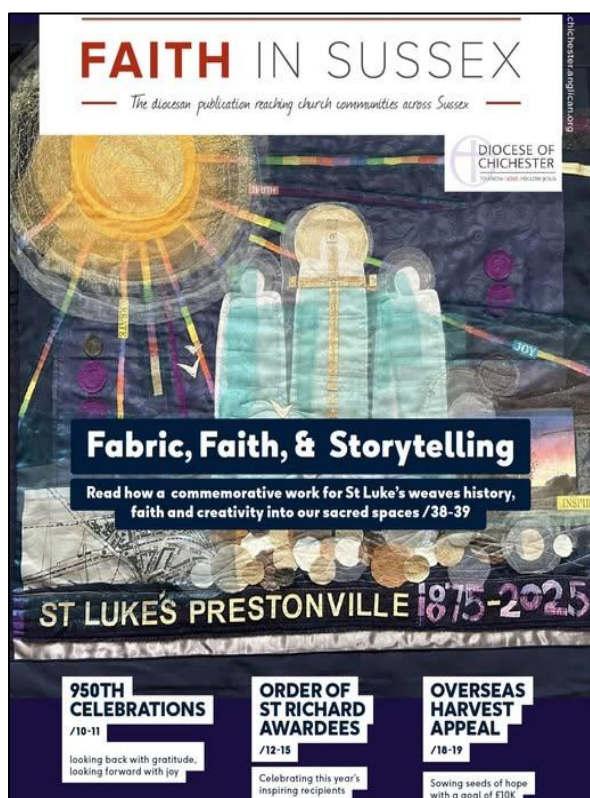
*Tim Baker* ([churchwardenstmargarets@outlook.com](mailto:churchwardenstmargarets@outlook.com))

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*Adam Hackett* ([adamjhackett@outlook.com](mailto:adamjhackett@outlook.com)) or

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



We invite you to read the latest edition of the Diocesan publication '**Faith in Sussex**'.

A message from the editor...

*"Filled with stories of faith, creativity, community, and celebration from across our Diocese. Whether you're looking for inspiration, encouragement, or simply a good read, we think you'll enjoy exploring these pages..."*

**It can be accessed by following the link here:**

[https://online.fliphtml5.com/qmzrd/wuxy/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMn5OdleHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETBiOHh1eE9EODNYWnJ5QXFEMAR6tQdcINVHbcR2XFGB0\\_v6ii9O0N7HinURnwiR6J5L9-nJY8W4MrkBNFD4gcw\\_aem\\_4K2GKVtJn5EdBkdHifSQdA#p=2](https://online.fliphtml5.com/qmzrd/wuxy/?fbclid=IwY2xjawMn5OdleHRuA2FlbQlxMABicmlkETBiOHh1eE9EODNYWnJ5QXFEMAR6tQdcINVHbcR2XFGB0_v6ii9O0N7HinURnwiR6J5L9-nJY8W4MrkBNFD4gcw_aem_4K2GKVtJn5EdBkdHifSQdA#p=2)