



## Benefice Notices for the Second Sunday of Easter

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

#### *Worship & upcoming services*

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)

#### **Next Sunday (19<sup>th</sup> April)**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Matins (BCP)

*All Saints', Highbrook*

10.30am Eucharist

*St Margaret's, West Hoathly*

12.30pm Baptism of Grace Polhill

*St Margaret's, West Hoathly*

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

**The St Margaret's Electoral Roll:** The St Margaret's Electoral Roll is now



open for revision, with forms available via the website. If you are over 16, baptised and 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 Electoral Roll Officer, Duncan

Dunsmore-Rouse, at [duncanrouse67@gmail.com](mailto:duncanrouse67@gmail.com) or to Rev'd Heather at [heather.wilkin78@gmail.com](mailto:heather.wilkin78@gmail.com). In preparation for the APCM, on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May following the 10.30am Eucharist, the Roll will close on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April**.

**Earth Day – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April:** As Eco Churches, we invite everyone to support Earth Day 2026.



We encourage you to follow this link <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2026/> (or scan the QR code here) for ways to get involved and make a difference for our planet on Earth Day and every day.



**St Margaret's Churchyard working party:** *Many thanks* to those who helped recently. Next one: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May, as the Monday is a bank holiday, from 2-4pm. Contact Derek for more details ([derekshurvell@gmail.com](mailto:derekshurvell@gmail.com)).

**All Saints' Church Cleaning:** Next cleaning session - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.

**Caring for God's Creation:** To encourage us all in our stewardship of this

Eco Church and Eco Diocese • Equipping us to care for Creation

**DIOCESAN ENVIRONMENT DAY**

St Peter's Church & Centre, Church Street, Bexhill-on-Sea TN40 2HE  
Saturday May 16th 2026 • 9.30 am to 4 pm

**'Speaking up for Creation'**  
Keynote Speaker: *Polly Eaton, A Rocha UK*

Choose workshops • drinks & cake provided • bring your own lunch

The Revd Buff Forbes Stone  
Diocesan Environment Officer  
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07954 652824

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FXVQ>

Scan to book online

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beautiful planet, we are invited to the annual **Diocesan Environment Day.**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**St Peter's Church & Centre**  
**Bexhill**  
**from 9.30-4pm.**

*All Welcome!*

Polly Eaton, from A Rocha UK will be the keynote speaker.

There will also be a variety of

workshops to inspire and encourage us in our endeavours. Scan the QR code above to find out more details & to sign up.

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

**Fund Lasting Change**

Benefice of Highbrook and West Hoathly  
Collection for Christian Aid Week

7 days to make a difference

**Christian Aid Week: 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026:** Please put these dates in your diary and be ready to join us as a church to help raise funds. We will be asking you to raise funds in any way you fancy over the course of that

week and donate online or bring your donation to St Margaret's Church.

*For more information, please see the article in the April/May edition of The Chronicle.*

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Christian Aid Week  
10-16 May

## Events – growing together as a community.



### **Cakes for the Spring Fair (organised by St Margaret's) on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

If you would be able to provide any cakes for the church's stall, we would love to hear from you. Not a baker? No worries - perhaps you would sponsor a cake by paying for the ingredients? Please talk to Sarah Pigram or Ann Hutchings to arrange delivery/collection nearer the time, or to chat about sponsorship. Contact: [sarahpigram@outlook.com](mailto:sarahpigram@outlook.com) or ring: 07765 091000

### ***Calling West Hoathly and Highbrook Church families...***

All Saints are running a Tombola stall at the **WH Spring Fair on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May**. We would be most grateful for your help with providing some good quality prizes that will appeal to all ages please. Sweets, drinks, (as new) games & gift items etc. would be greatly appreciated. Please leave donated prizes with Adam, Roger, Ann or Tim. ***Many thanks.***

## **Prayer - spending time with God.**

**Prayer for this week:** *Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen.*



**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.

**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, Joyce Fish, Gill Couchy, Sylvia, Stella, Steve O'Keefe, Joyce Johnson, and Joan Wilkin.

Those preparing for Baptism - Grace, and Confirmation - Paul.

Those preparing for Marriage: Jessica & Christopher, and Emma & Adam.

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

For God's blessing on the homes of our parish – this week we pray for all who live in Chiddinglye, Broadfield, and Ridleys.

For God's blessing on the life of the church families of our deanery – this week we pray for the clergy & church family of St Mary's, Balcombe.

For God's blessing on St Margaret's Building Project.

*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'

**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))

### **Churchwardens of All Saints':**

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

*Roger Cobden-Ramsay* ([Roger.cobdenramsay@gmail.com](mailto:Roger.cobdenramsay@gmail.com))

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