



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



Benefice Notices for Pentecost Sunday 24th May 2026



Worship & upcoming services

Wednesday 27th May 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

Friday 29th May 5.30pm, St Margaret's – Evening Prayer (BCP)

Next Sunday (31st May)

Trinity Sunday

10.30am **United Benefice Eucharist** *St Margaret's, West Hoathly*

(Please Note: There will *not* be a service at All Saints' on that Sunday.)



THE BUILDING PROJECT AT ST MARGARET'S

Good progress is being made, and the project is progressing as planned.

For safety reasons the church is **closed EXCEPT for services**. *Thank you so much for bearing with us during this time of disruption. May we assure you that it will all be worth it in the end!*

Consultation on the next Bishop of Chichester. This closes on Tuesday 26th May. Have your say in the appointment at tinyurl.com/next-bishop.

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

St Margaret's Churchyard working party

Monday 1st June, 2-4pm. Please help us!

For more details please contact

Derek at derekshurvell@gmail.com



During the Building Work at St Margaret's... Prayers requests and

donations to support our Mission partners are all very much still welcome! **Prayers** can be left on the prayer tree when the church is open for services, or in the box by the south door or requests can be made using the prayer request form on our website. For **private prayers** in a peaceful setting, we invite you to explore the churchyard, perhaps using the bible verses you'll find there for inspiration

and comfort. Please place **donations to our basket of blessings** in the porch of Luctons during this time. For donations to support the work of **Refugees Welcome Crawley**, please email rwccchair@gmail.com to arrange alternative drop-off/collection.

St Margaret's Parochial Church Council (PCC) 2026/2027: At the Annual

Parochial Church Meeting, which was held on 17th May 2026, the following stood for election to the office of **Churchwarden** and were duly elected to serve for year 2026/2027: *Tim Baker and Ann Hutchings.*

The following people were **elected to the PCC**, to serve for year 2026/2027:

Tina Allen, Christine Field, Bev Mager, Sarah Pigram, Jaime Reed, and Lindsay Shurvell. The PCC Treasurer is *Tina Allen*, & the PCC Minutes Secretary is *Sarah Pigram.*

We thank them all for agreeing to stand for office and offering themselves to be part of the leadership team. **The ex-officio members of the PCC** for

year 2026/2027 are the Incumbent: *Rev'd Heather Wilkin*, Churchwardens: *Tim Baker & Ann Hutchings*, and Deanery Synod Representatives (to serve from 2026-2029): *Ann Hutchings, Malcolm Muckle & Karen Blackman.*

The Electoral Roll Officer for St Margaret's Church is *Duncan Dunsmore-Rouse.*

All Saints' Church Cleaning: The next session will be *this Wednesday 27th May*, 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc. with you.



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

Christian Aid Week 2026: 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 cash donations** you wish us to pass on by *this* Sunday, 24th May. However, there is still time to **donate online** using our specially created electronic envelope, as this will remain open until 26th June. It can be accessed by following this link: <https://caw.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2026/benefice-highbrook-and-west-hoathly>

Events – growing together as a community.



COFFEE CAKE CHAT

On Tuesday 16th June, 10am – 12pm.

Sharpthorne Hall in Station Road

All welcome.

Meet old and make new friends over homemade cakes and fresh coffee. No charge but contributions towards expenses will be gratefully accepted.

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

Prayer - spending time with God.



Evening Prayer in St Margaret’s – Fridays at 5.30pm: You are invited to leave your prayers on the prayer tree in St Margaret’s when the church is open. Alternatively, place a request using the prayer request form on our website <http://westhoathly.org.uk/prayer/prayer-requests> All prayers left each week are offered up to God at Evening Prayer.

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: Glen, Joyce Fish, Gill Couchy, Sylvia, Bobi, Steve O'Keefe, Killian, and Joyce Johnson.

Those preparing for Baptism – Luca, and for Confirmation - Paul Johnson.

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

The recently departed, Colin, Phil Shurvell, Pamela Taylor, and Sharon Turton, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, Clare Broadbent, 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 Highbrook Lane.

For God's blessing on the life of the church families of our deanery – this week we pray for the clergy & church family of The Ascension, Haywards Heath.

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). 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'

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.

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