



Benefice Notices for Trinity Sunday Sunday 31st May 2026

Worship & upcoming services

Thursday 4th June 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

Friday 5th June 5.30pm, St Margaret's – Evening Prayer (BCP)

Next Sunday (7th June)

Trinity 1

10.30am All Age Eucharist

St Margaret's, West Hoathly

6.00pm Evensong (BCP)

All Saints', Highbrook

THE BUILDING PROJECT AT ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

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!

During the building work...

Your gifts to support our Mission Partners are still very much appreciated and valued. For donations to support the work of **Refugees Welcome Crawley**, please email rwccchair@gmail.com to arrange alternative drop-off/collection. Please place **donations to our basket of blessings** in the porch of Luctons during this time. *Thank you so much.*



We would still very much like to pray for you too! **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 (<http://westhoathly.org.uk/prayer/prayer-requests>). 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.

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

St Margaret's Churchyard Working Party: From 2-4pm *this* Monday 1st June. All welcome to lend a hand! Contact Derek derekshurvell@gmail.com for more information or simply turn up.



All Saints' Church Cleaning: We very much appreciate those who kindly helped recently, and to all who help care for our beautiful church. The next session will be on **Thursday 25th June**, 11am - 1pm. Do pop this date in your diaries! Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc. with you.

Bugs Matter: Are you going anywhere in the car in the months ahead? As Eco Churches, we invite everyone to take part in 'Bugs Matter'. This is the UK's popular insect citizen science survey which was launched in April and runs through to 30th September. It captures precious early-season data. For the first time this year, the survey expands into France - joining the UK and the Republic of Ireland in what is becoming a cross-continental effort to understand the health of our flying insect populations.



To take part and monitor the number of bugs on your numberplate, you can visit their website at <http://www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk/.../bugs-matter...> where you can print paper resources or download the app.

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



East Grinstead Foodbank: You can see the *East Grinstead Foodbank's* needs in real-time by downloading the 'BanktheFood' app for free from your App Store or Google Play, or on your PC via <https://bankthefood.org/App> . By following the East Grinstead Foodbank, you will get regular updates on the items they need.

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.

LUCTIONS GARDEN OPENING for National Garden Scheme.

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th June

1.30-4.30pm

Entry £6. Accompanied children free.

Teas served at LUCTIONS on Sunday 28th ONLY for Family Support Work (FSW) in Sussex.

Do come along - it will be very good to see you!



Study – deepening our understanding God.

Leavers' Bibles: At the end of the school year, we will be presenting the Year 6 leavers of West Hoathly Primary School with a Bible - a symbol of our Christian care and nature for the young people of our Church school, and a reminder to them of their time there. If you would like to sponsor a Bible, (at a cost of £15 per Bible), please make a bank transfer (details on our website) with the reference BIBLE, or hand the cash or cheque payable 'St Margaret's PCC, West Hoathly' to Rev'd Heather, the churchwardens, or pop it through the Vicarage door. Thank you so much.

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

*Loving God, we rejoice in your presence alongside us as we seek to walk in your ways.
Help us to remember that you are always with us and that nothing is impossible with you.*

Amen.

(Courtesy of Christian Aid)

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, Joyce Johnson, and Bev.

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

Those preparing for Marriage: Jessica & Christopher, Emma & Adam, Sandra & David, and Teresa & Timothy.

The recently departed, Colin, Phil Shurvell, Pamela Taylor, and Sharon Turton, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, David Scott, and all who are grieving for them.

For God’s blessing on all the homes of our parish, on the life of the church families of this United Benefice, and Rev’d Heather as Vicar of All Saints’, Highbrook, & St Margaret’s, West Hoathly.

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