



St Margaret of Antioch Leigh on Sea.
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BULLETIN

April 2019

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Church Services



Suitable for all ages
1330 - 1500
The Liturgy of the Lord's Death

Holy Week

14th Palm Sunday
0800 Said Mass
0945 Palm Procession & Sung Mass

20th Holy Saturday
0800 Morning Prayer
0900 Preparation of the church for Easter
1800 Evening Prayer

Monday 15th
1930 - 2030
MU Stations of the Cross & Said Mass

21st EASTER DAY
0530

The Dawn Vigil Mass
Followed by Parish Breakfast
1000 Combined Sung Easter Mass

Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th
1930-2030
Said Mass with Address

There is no Last Sunday Supper Mass in April

18th Maundy Thursday
1930 Sung Mass with foot washing & procession to the "Garden of Gethsemane"
2100-0000 Vigil Watch

All other services as advertised on the web site and on church notice boards

19th Good Friday
1030 Stations of the Cross 40 minutes

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CHRISM MASS

The Bishop of Richborough will celebrate his Chrism Mass in Chelmsford Cathedral on the Monday of Holy Week, April 15th at 12 noon. This is a beautiful and spiritually uplifting service during which the priests and deacons present renew their vows and the Holy Oils are blessed for use in the parishes of the diocese during the ensuing year. At the end of the service, refreshments are served in the Chapter House. I would encourage members of St. Margaret's to attend. If you require any further information, please contact me (see below)
Peter Fisher



Mothers' Union

Monday April 15.
Monday of Holy Week
Stations of the Cross.
7.15 for 7.30 service.
Refreshments in vestry afterwards for all congregation
If you are interested in joining MU, please contact Sheila 554044 or Angela 477126

Transport



If you need transport to get to a church service or event, please contact either of our churchwardens. Contact details are at the bottom of this sheet

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CELL OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM



Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 10th at St James Church 7.30pm for Mass. It is informal and very friendly. Everyone is invited, whether or not a member. If you require any further information, please contact me. (See below)
Peter Fisher



In April we are particularly collecting

Long Life Fruit Juices
Potato snacks
Individually wrapped cakes and chocolate biscuits gratefully received.

All Donations should be left in a box in the porch for delivery by Peter Maddox.



It was with great sadness that we all learned of the untimely death of Jane Davey Bulmore, the beloved daughter of our Jenny.

Our condolences, love and prayers go to Jenny and to Jane's husband and family.



Jane's Funeral will be on Friday 5th April at 1 pm at St Margaret's Church, followed by a private cremation. Friends are invited to go into the church hall where they will be joined later by the family.

Her body will be received into church on Thursday 4th at 4.30pm.

For further details contact www.stibbards.co.uk

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Social Events

Communita

7th April 1630-1800 in the church hall

Church 'Sparkle'

The next church cleaning will be on **Saturday 20th April, when we give the church its annual 'deep clean'. Refreshments provided.**

May Fair - 6th May

This is one of our major fund raising activities in the year. Please give your support.

There are lists at the back of church for donations for the Grand Draw and for places where help is needed. Could you spare just one hour to help on a stall? It's good fun, so sign up for it.

There are posters, flyers and car banners at the

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back of church; take them to advertise our May Fair and encourage friends and neighbours to come.

There will be all the usual stalls as well a barbecue and cafe and a bouncy castle for the children.

We also need cakes for the cake stall. We are not asking for a huge amount. If everyone donated just one cake or similar, whatever you are best at baking, it would fill our stall. Please bring it ready for display.



If your cake has nuts in it of any sort, including ground almonds, please label it so that we and the buyers know.

Where Is It?



Last month's grumpy face is to be found on the beautifully carved lid to the font.

This month, as befits the season of the church's year, where can you see this caring angel?



The font was a gift to the church from a grateful parishioner "as a thankful offering for a safe return from the Great War as also for the recovery of health by his two daughters. 1920"

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The Letter Rack

When did you last checked the letter rack at the back of church? It is evident there are many people who don't. In a recent clean and tidy up of the entrance porch, many copies of the Christmas leaflet were found uncollected and there are letters and notes that have been awaiting collection for weeks (including some back editions of Bulletin!). We do try to make sure items are delivered to those who are ill or housebound but everyone else please check the letter rack regularly. Rotas should be labelled and put in the rack too.

Have you noticed.....

there has been a change in the publication of Bulletin? Those who receive it by email will find it in a larger font. This is because we have changed the format of the printed copies, they are now in the form of an A5 booklet and the larger font is needed to enable the booklet to be easily read.

Comments welcome!

Contributions for Bulletin are welcome. Please send them to bulletin@saintmargaretsleigh.org or leave in the 'B' slot of the letter rack labelled Bulletin.

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St Margaret's Web Site

Love it or loathe it but the Internet is here to stay and playing an increasing part in our lives. It is vital to have an Internet website as this assists greatly in attracting new members to our Church and informing people of the services and facilities that we offer. The PCC recognised this need and we have had a website for many years. However, due to a number of reasons the website became difficult to keep up-to-date and it lost credibility - there is only one thing worse

than "no website" and that is a website that displays out-of-date information.

In May 2017, the PCC approved the development of a new website. This project stalled and progress was almost at a standstill when, in August 2018, Fr David contacted a good friend at Roborough (near Plymouth) who had developed a website for his own Parish. With an act of outstanding goodwill, Fr Simon at Roborough sent us a copy of his website for us to use.

With a basic website using the latest software, we were able

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to quickly make the necessary changes and in September 2018 we officially launched St. Margaret's new website with a web address of www.saintmargaretsleigh.org. At launch, the website had only the barest of information but over the months we have developed it into a comprehensive and fully functional offering. We now have a website of which we can be proud and which, more importantly, we are able to keep up-to-date with the latest information.

Please have a look at our website where you will find details of This Week's Services & Notices, all our

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Organisations (e.g. Mothers' Union, Edward Bear, Communita) and much more. We would welcome any comments that you have (good and bad!) - just send an email to webmaster@saintmargaretsleigh.org or have a word with Bob Southward at any service.

We would also ask that you mention our website to all your family and friends as the more people who look at our website the greater the opportunity for us to obtain funds via the website; and do get your children or grandchildren to look at the website - they will

freely offer their opinions!

In parallel to developing our own website, we now have a working up-to-date presence on the Church of England's website

www.achurchnearyou.com

This is a countrywide facility that enables you to find a church near you by entering Postcode or Town (very useful for when you are on holiday and want to take Mass at a local church).

I stated at the beginning that you either love or loathe the Internet but it is here to stay. The same comment applies to Facebook (which

personally I loathe but must accept that it is here!) which is used by many millions of people in the UK, especially the young. We have developed a new presence on Facebook using our Internet name of

saintmargaretsleigh.org

and again we would welcome any feedback that you have - only this time, please bend the ear of **Anne Mills**.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the website's maintenance and development, please speak to Bob Southward or email at webmaster@saintmarga

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[saintmargaretsleigh.org](http://www.saintmargaretsleigh.org). The website uses the industry-leading Wordpress software that is used by many leading companies and organisations. You don't need previous website experience - only a willingness to learn!

Bob Southward

Remember !

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on **Sunday April 7th** immediately after 1000 Mass.



Easter Lilies and Flowers

If you would like to remember a loved one at Easter with a lily or white flowers in church, please put your contribution into an envelope with the name(s) of those to be remembered and your flower preference. Individual lilies cost around £3.00. Hand the envelope to Sheila Moore or one of the Church Wardens **by Sunday 7th April** at the latest. Names of those to be remembered will be displayed on Easter Sunday on the High Altar.



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