



Benefice Notices for the Third Sunday of Lent Sunday 8th March 2026

Worship & upcoming services and events

Wednesday 11 th March	9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion
Friday 13 th March	5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)
Saturday 14 th March	11am, The Vicarage – Lent Study Group Session 3
	2.00pm, St Margaret's - Making posies

St Margaret's Church, West Hoathly

Join us on

Sunday 15th March at 10.30am
to celebrate



Next Sunday (15th March)

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)

9.00am Matins (BCP) *All Saints', Highbrook*

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

Tuesday 17th March 1.30pm, St Margaret's –
Funeral of Sheila Hoad.

Looking ahead... 29th March - Palm Sunday



Although it is a 5th Sunday of the month,
there will be a service at both our

churches on that day. **10.30am Eucharist, St Margaret's, West Hoathly**
(including procession with palms beginning at 10.20am from West Hoathly
Vicarage). **6pm Evensong, All Saints', Highbrook.**



Tuesday 31st March – A **special service of Evening Prayer (BCP) at 7pm**, to mark the 400th anniversary of the south door of St Margaret's Church. All welcome. There will also be an opportunity to view a historical display marking this 400-year milestone and hear about our plans for the years ahead.

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

St Margaret's Churchyard working party: Thank you to those who helped us recently. Great work team! Next one will be on **Tuesday** 7th April from 2.00 – 4.00pm as Monday 6th April is a bank holiday.

Making posies for Mothering Sunday – THIS Saturday (14th March) at 2pm in St Margaret’s Church:



Please would you help us to make posies to give to mothers, and all those who ‘mother’, at the 10am service on Mothering Sunday (next Sunday - 15th March – see above for details). Please contact Derek derekshurvell@gmail.com for more details or simply just turn up, with secateurs if you have them. Thanks.

All Saints’ Parochial Church Council (PCC) 2026/2027: The following two people stood for election to the office of Churchwarden and were duly elected to serve for year 2026-2027: *Adam Hackett & Roger Cobden-Ramsay*.

The following members of the congregation were elected to the PCC at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, to serve for year 2026-2027: *Mark Davies, Sophie Hill, Rosemary King, Sophie Neal, Tony Osborn*. *Mark Davies* was appointed as Treasurer, and *Anthea Hackett* appointed as Safeguarding Officer.

The ex-officio members of the PCC are the Incumbent: *The Rev’d Heather Wilkin*, Churchwardens: *Adam Hackett & Roger Cobden-Ramsay*, Deanery Synod Reps: *3 Vacancies*. PCC Minutes Secretary & E. R. Officer: *Sophie Hill*.

All Saints’ Church Cleaning: The next one will be on **Thursday 26th March**, 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.

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

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**Indian Buffet Supper
in Aid of the
Loiyangalani Trust**
A charity supporting children’s education
in Loiyangalani, Kenya

Monday 16th March 2026
7.00pm for 7.30pm

3 COURSE INDIAN BUFFET £25.00
• With £10.00 going to the charity
• Prize Raffle

To book, email Christine:
cbgraystone@yahoo.com or Tel. 01342 810603
Payment to be made on the night to Tarana
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East Grinstead Foodbank: Please consider supporting the Foodbank this Lent by either donating an item or two from their food shopping list (which can be found by downloading the ‘Bank the food’ app.) or by making a financial donation by scanning the



QR code here:

A message from the Foodbank Team

“Thank you so much as without your support, we couldn’t do what we are doing”

Events – growing together as a community.



A warm welcome awaits for
COFFEE CAKE CHAT

At St Margaret's Church

Tuesday 17th March

10am - 12noon



For this month's coffee morning, donations to
FSW (Family Support Work), a charity
supporting families across Sussex, will be
gratefully accepted.

This Saturday!

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CHOIR & KO CONCERT

IN AID OF FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

**St Swithun's Church
East Grinstead
RH19 3RZ**

TICKETS £12

(Including Refreshments)

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH AT 3PM

For tickets and further information email

lynnefallowell@gmail.com

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Prayer - spending time with God.



Evening Prayer on Fridays at 5.30pm in St Margaret's: Over the next few months at Evening Prayer, we will be following the account of Jesus through the Gospel according to Matthew. You are invited to leave your prayers on the prayer tree. All prayers left each week are offered up to God at Evening Prayer.

Prayer for this week:

*Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness
in 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, Steve, Stella, Sylvia, 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, Mark Hodgkinson, Sheila Hoad, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, Mary Streeter, 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 Station Approach, Station Road & Highcroft Road.

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 Giles', Horsted Keynes.
For God's blessing on St Margaret's Building Project which is due to begin shortly.

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

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!



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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