



## Benefice Notices for Trinity 1 Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### Worship & upcoming services

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am, St Margaret's - Holy Communion

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

### Next Sunday (14<sup>th</sup> June)

#### Trinity 2

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP) *All Saints', Highbrook*

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



*Looking ahead:* Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm

**Deanery Confirmation at Holy Trinity, Cuckfield.**

Please come along to support Paul, from the St Margaret's Church Family, as he is confirmed. All welcome!

### **THE BUILDING PROJECT AT ST MARGARET'S CHURCH**

**Good progress continues to be made.**

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!*

### Events – growing together as a community.



A warm welcome awaits for  
**COFFEE CAKE CHAT**

At Sharpthorne Hall

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

**10am - 12noon**

No charge but a contribution towards expenses welcomed.

**On West  
Hoathly Rec**

**1pm to 5pm**

**Come along to  
enjoy the fun!**

Inflatables,  
food & bar,  
live music,  
stalls and  
more.

**ALL  
WELCOME!**



West Hoathly School Association  
presents:  
**SUMMER PARTY!**  
SATURDAY 13th JUNE 2026, 1pm to 5pm  
WEST HOATHLY RECREATION GROUND

£5 ENTRY for AGED 2 to 18

INFLATABLES BAR & FOOD  
RAFFLES FACE PAINTING  
STALLS ...AND MUCH MORE!  
CHILDREN REMAIN THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES



## LUCTONS GARDEN OPENING

for National Garden Scheme.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June

1.30-4.30pm

Entry £6. Accompanied children free.

Teas served at LUCTONS on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> ONLY for Family Support Work (FSW) in Sussex.

It will be very good to see you!

### Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

**St Margaret's Churchyard Working Party:** *Many thanks* to those who helped us recently. It's amazing as to how much can be achieved in a relatively short space of time! The next session will be **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**, from 2 -4pm. Contact Derek [derekshurvell@gmail.com](mailto:derekshurvell@gmail.com) for more information or simply join us on the day.

**All Saints' Church Cleaning:** The next session will be on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June**, 11am - 1pm. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc. with you.

**Caring for God's Creation:** If you are lucky enough to have a hedgehog visiting, or even residing in your garden, this poster may be of interest...

To perhaps discover whether you do have a prickly friend, and to find out what other



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Photo by Angus Spence

wildlife is visiting your garden when all is quiet, a trail camera may be a useful investment. It could provide fascinating and surprising footage...

The poster comes from **Watermeadows Hedgehog Rescue** (a small-scale rescue centre dedicated to the rehabilitation of sick and injured wild hedgehogs) and is shared from the **Prickly Prickles Hedgehog Rescue** Facebook page

[https://www.facebook.com/pricklyprickles/?locale=en\\_GB](https://www.facebook.com/pricklyprickles/?locale=en_GB)

**HOW TO KEEP HEDGEHOGS SAFE IN YOUR GARDEN.**

-  Cover drains, postholes and trenches.
-  Use natural alternatives to slug pellets.
-  Keep netting 30cm above the ground.
-  Make sure your pond has an escape route. Create sloped edges, half submerged rocks or large stones into the water or provide escape ramps.
-  Check carefully when moving piles of logs or leaves as they make nice nests for hedgehogs.
-  Take extra care when turning or emptying compost heap. They make ideal homes for hedgehogs.
-  Check long grass, hedges and bushes before using lawnmowers, strimmers and hedge trimmers.



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

**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](mailto: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.*

## **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.**

**An invitation from the Diocese of Chichester ...** During this time of Vacancy in See, and as we look ahead to the ministry of a new Bishop of Chichester, we invite you to join **a monthly diocesan prayer gathering**, held on Zoom on the first Monday of each month at noon.

These gatherings will bring together lay and ordained people to pray for the life, mission, and ministry of our diocese, and to commend to God the discernment, calling, and leadership of our new bishop.

This monthly rhythm of prayer offers a space to seek God’s guidance, and to hold the Diocese before Him, as the household of faith across the Diocese. All are welcome.

Meetings will take place on the **first Monday of the month with the following zoom details:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85084031631?pwd=0QKxOIYaaQMXVCmXO4kl7e8TDHIYbz.1>

Meeting ID: 850 8403 1631    Passcode: 571007

**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**

*God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom,  
that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. 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, Joyce Johnson, Bev, Ryan, Kate, and Pete.

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, Sharon Turton, and Vin Whitmarsh, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, Janet Graham, 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 Hurstwood Lane, Birchgrove Lane, Birchgrove Road & School 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 St Mark's, Staplefield Common

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://twitter.com/StMargarets_WH)

YouTube - search for 'St Margaret's 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 the weekly Benefice Notice sheet: Please send to Karen at [brkb410@gmail.com](mailto:brkb410@gmail.com)