



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



Benefice Notices for Trinity 7

Sunday 19th July 2026

20th July is the date that the Church commemorates St Margaret of Antioch, to whom our church in West Hoathly is dedicated. Some interesting information about St Margaret's can be found on the St Margaret's Church's website here <http://westhoathly.org.uk/history>



St Margaret of Antioch
from: <https://smparish.com/>

Worship & upcoming services

Wednesday 22nd July **NO** mid-week Holy Communion

Friday 24th July 5.30pm, St Margaret's – Evening Prayer (BCP)

Next Sunday (26th July)

Trinity 8

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

All Saints', Highbrook

10.30am Eucharist

St Margaret's, West Hoathly

THE BUILDING PROJECT AT ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

**Progress continues apace and the end is
now in sight!!**

For safety reasons the church is **closed**
EXCEPT for services.

*Thank you for bearing with us during this time of
disruption. May we assure you that it will all be
worth it in the end!*

By the way... There is a rolling blog about the
Building Project on the St Margaret's website. To
access it, please follow the link here:

<http://westhoathly.org.uk/extension-2026>

Our **grateful thanks** to Sophie Hill for writing it
and for her super photos, providing us with
informative updates on the progress.



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

The **East Grinstead Foodbank**: The Foodbank is very grateful for all the support we can give. Scan the QR code here to download the Bank the Food App. Please donate an item or two from their bank the food shopping list, to help provide food for people facing hardship in our community. These items can be popped in our **Basket of Blessings** (the basket in the porch of Luctons.)



For donations to support the work of **Refugees Welcome Crawley**, please email rwcchair@gmail.com to arrange alternative drop-off/collection.

An update from FSW (from Hannah Rothwell, Digital Fundraising & Communications Officer) ...

“Dear Friends,

Summer is a time of celebration, and we are looking forward to a range of holiday activities and family days ahead, a chance for parents and children to take a break from usual routines and enjoy the summer together.

Thank you for continuing to support Family Support Work (FSW) as we work to strengthen families across Sussex, bringing comfort to parents and children who may be finding things difficult this summer.

Here are some ways to support FSW over the coming months...

An Upcoming Event... Pulborough Circular, Sponsored Walk. Please see the poster here for details.

As we approach the summer holidays, we would be very grateful for donations to our **foodbank...**

tinned pasta, tinned vegetables (not pulses), tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, ketchup and mayonnaise, instant coffee, jelly pots or packets, and tinned fruit.”

*Thank you very much, **Hannah***

The poster is for a dog-friendly sponsored walk. It features a large circular image of St Mary's Church in Pulborough. To the left of the church image are two smaller circular images: one of a golden retriever in a field and another of a pair of walking boots. The text on the poster includes the FSW logo, the event title 'DOG FRIENDLY SPONSORED WALK IN AID OF FSW', the date 'TUESDAY 28TH JULY 2026', the location 'Pulborough Train Station is 10 minutes walk from the church', and details about the walk being approximately 8.5 miles with refreshments at St Mary's. It also provides contact information for registration.

F Family Support Work

DOG FRIENDLY SPONSORED WALK IN AID OF FSW

TUESDAY 28TH JULY 2026

Pulborough Train Station is 10 minutes walk from the church; bring a packed lunch for a picnic stop part way round!

THE PULBOROUGH CIRCULAR

Walking boots at the ready!

Start/Meeting Point: St Mary's, Church Place, Pulborough, RH20 1AF @10am

The Pulborough Circular walk is approximately 8.5 miles - calling at Pulborough Brooks RSPB for refreshments; cake and tea await post walk at St Mary's!

For more information and to register:
Please call or email Ann Kaiser: 01798 872819/ann.kaiser@live.co.uk

THE CHICHESTER DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION FOR FAMILY SUPPORT WORK
CHARITY NO 285337. A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE REGISTERED NO 1648903.
REGISTERED OFFICE: GARTON HOUSE, 22 STANFORD AVENUE, BRIGHTON, BN1 6AA

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

St Margaret's Churchyard Working Party: Next session will be Monday 3rd August, from 2 -4pm. Contact Derek derekshurvell@gmail.com for more.

All Saints' Church Cleaning: The next session will be on **Thursday 30th July 10 - 11.30 am**. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc. with you.

Events – growing together as a community.



COFFEE CAKE CHAT

THIS Tuesday (21st July) 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.

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: *God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in my eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and at my departing. 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, Pete, and Liam.

Those preparing for Baptism: Luca, Rocky, and Lola.

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

The recently departed, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, 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 Chapel Row, The Beacon & The Hollow
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 Mary Magdalene's, Bolney.
For God's blessing on St Margaret's Building Project as it nears completion.
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:

<https://www.allsaints-highbrook.org.uk/> & <http://westhoathly.org.uk/>

And social media:

Facebook - @stmargaretswesthoathlyallsaintshighbrook

Twitter - @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!



CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: *The Reverend Heather Wilkin*

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Heather's rest day is usually Monday.

Churchwardens of St Margaret's:

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Churchwardens of All Saints':

Adam Hackett (adamjhackett@outlook.com) or

Roger Cobden-Ramsay (Roger.cobdenramsay@gmail.com)

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

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 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 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