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

Benefice Notices for Christ the King Sunday 22nd November 2026

Worship & upcoming events.

Wednesday 25th Nov. 9.30am, St Margaret's – Morning Prayer

Friday 27th November 9.00 – 10.30am, St Margaret's – Little Dragons

5.30pm, St Margaret's - Evening Prayer (BCP)



Next Sunday (29th November)
Advent Sunday
10.30am All Age Eucharist
St Margaret's, West Hoathly

4.00pm Music and Readings for Advent
All Saints', Highbrook

Parish Christmas cards: The parish Christmas cards are now available. Please help us to spread the invitation to every house in the Benefice by offering to deliver the cards to a road or two. The cards are at the back of each church, and in St Margaret's they are divided into roads or areas. Thank you!

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

Gifts for FSW at Christmas: Gifts for families primarily in Cuckfield Deanery, but also throughout Sussex, would be very much appreciated. They may be brought to the **All-Age Eucharist at St Margaret's, West Hoathly, at 10.30am on Sunday 6th December.** If you're able, please consider donating a Christmas gift (and/or food items) from the poster displayed. FSW would be so grateful for our support in bringing joy to their families this year. **Please leave the gifts unwrapped**.

If you're not able to donate on 6th December, items may also be left in the porch at Luctons, but please may we have these by Thurs. 10th December.



Thank you so much for your continuing support of FSW.

Food items for **Crawley Open House** and the **East Grinstead Foodbank** may be left in the Church Porch or the porch at Luctons too. It would be helpful if you could mark items specifically for them, and please leave them by **Monday 7th December.**

Many thanks for your generosity.

Stewardship - generous giving to and through God

All Saints' Church Cleaning: Next session will be Thursday 3rd December, from 10-11.30am. Please bring dusters, cobweb brushes, gloves etc.

Our Advent and Christmas preparations: We will need help in various ways in the run up to Christmas. **Please can you help?**

- ***Sponsorship of our Christmas Events for the village:*** Would you be willing to help sponsor Carols in the Square, and the lighting that will last during the Christmas period? (Estimated total cost of between £500-£600).
- ***Giving of your time:*** Volunteers will be needed to help with Carols in the Square on Sunday 6th December. Could you spare some time to lend a hand?
- ***Refreshments after the Carols in the Square*** – Please could you let us know if you can help in any way with the refreshments that we plan to serve.

Please speak with Rev'd Heather, Derek or the churchwardens if you can help in any of these ways.

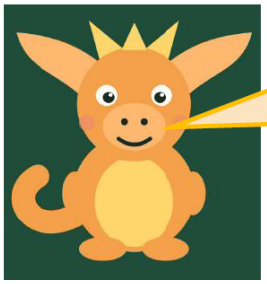
Your support you will be truly appreciated. Thank you so much.

Churchyard Working Party: Next one: Monday 7th December from 2-4pm.

West Hoathly School Christmas Hamper Raffle: Only £1 per ticket! Available from 30th Nov. from school reception, Sarah Pigram or sa@westhoathlyschool.co.uk (Raffle to be drawn on Friday 18th December at 9am).



Events – growing together as a community.



Hello there!

I am just flying by to remind you that **Little Dragons Toddler Group** meets this Friday from 9.00-10.30am at St Margaret's Church, W. Hoathly.

Come and play, sing and roar with us!

All under-fives and their carers welcome. FREE! New families always welcome!

Contact details: 01342 529047 admin@highbrookwesthoathly.org



COFFEE CAKE CHAT

Tues. 15th December

10am - 12noon

in St Margaret's Church

All welcome!

No charge but contributions towards expenses appreciated.



All Saints' Church Highbrook

Saturday 5th December from 10.30am - 3pm

CHRISTMAS PROMISE

Drop in for craft activities, music and seasonal readings

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Highbrook Village Hall

Saturday 5th December from 10am - 3pm

Market stalls, raffle, tombola and of course a wonderful selection of food and drinks.

CHRISTMAS WITH CANTU AMICI

Wed. 9th December 2026, 7:30pm, All Saints' Church, Highbrook.

Festive choral music old and new, with traditional audience carols.

Admission £10 on the door, refreshments included.

Proceeds to Crisis at Christmas. **For more details, scan QR code**

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. Alternatively, place a request using the prayer request form on our website http://westhoathly.org.uk/prayer/prayer-requests . They can be anonymous if you wish. All prayers left each week are offered up to God at Evening Prayer.

Prayer for the week: *God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. 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: Shirley, Alex, Glen, Joyce Fish, Sylvia, Bobi, Killian, Joyce Johnson, and Colin.

The recently departed, Sue Dickson, and for those whose anniversary of death falls around this time, Ian Bannister, and Janet Styles, and all who are grieving for them.

For God's blessing on our Mission partners and charities with special links to our Benefice churches.

For God's guidance especially on Suffragan Bishops Ruth and Will during the Vacancy in See, and for God's blessing on the other churches of our Diocese, and all who work at Church House.

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
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 to be included on this Notice sheet: Please email to Karen at brkb410@gmail.com