

ST MARGARET'S

Parish Church for Leiston-cum-Sizevell



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JUNE 2022

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St Margaret's Worship

The restrictions due to the pandemic continue until further notice, Places of Worship can be used for services carefully following all the government rules, including; social distancing, wearing face coverings, hand hygiene etc. At St Margaret's we continue to offer a service of Holy Communion in church at 10am each Sunday.

There is a short service of Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 9.30am; this is held by telephone conference call. A service of Evening Prayer is held on Wednesdays in church at 5pm (enter the church by the south door).

Our Good Morning news sheet, readings and other resource material and information are shared by email every Saturday.

If you wish to join our mailing list or the Tuesday Morning Prayer please contact me (email: vicarleiston@gmail.com or telephone: 01728 830421). Richard Finch

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A Message from Morag...

As many of you will know I enjoy photography and can often be found with my camera in my hand. If I don't have my camera nearby I am often seen using my phone to take photographs. I remember when smartphones were first produced and I thought , "Why would anyone want to use a phone to take photographs?" Several years later I find myself doing it all the time, I am amazed by the quality of photographs that can be taken this way.

Apart from being a pictographic record of events I find photography a great way of stilling myself and seeing what is around me. Photography allows you to see tiny details that you might otherwise not have spotted. I suspect that most of you have been surprised when looking at photographs (either printed copies or on a computer screen) to see something that you hadn't noticed as you took the picture.

Often people feel embarrassed saying Grace before a meal, especially if they are in a public place like a restaurant. It has become increasingly popular in recent years to photograph your meal and often share that picture with others using online platforms like Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and WhatsApp.

When talking with a friend about this we likened it to a Grace - the person stills themselves and as they photograph their food they are noticing the colours and textures, they often express gratitude to those who have prepared it and think of others who perhaps are not as well fed as themselves. They are grateful for the friends they are with and the time they will spend together. Finally in sharing their food on social media those thoughts are also shared in the same way as we share our prayers with others. So next time you go out for a meal if you feel uncomfortable giving thanks out loud, instead do so quietly as you take a photograph.

Morag

Pondering Prayer

“Why do we pray for the Ukraine? Nothing is going to change so it’s a waste of time” was said in a recent TV news programme. Maybe some of you reading this will feel the same way. For me it was certainly something to ponder.

You may be old enough to remember the 2nd World War. Did people stop praying then? Church attendances were high, husbands, and sons were mostly involved in the fighting and no doubt their families continually prayed for the safe return of their loved ones. Young and older women were called up to work on the land, in factories or driving ambulances etc. Our Queen, then a teenage princess, was one of them. They too no doubt, prayed for an end to the fighting. That war did end after almost 6 years.

We may ask ourselves why God does not answer our prayers immediately but we need to consider perhaps something of what God can do as much as what He does seem to do.

I believe we have been given a life with freedom to more or less do as we like. This is perhaps explained by the story of Adam and Eve and the Garden of Eden. Eve having been tempted offered the apple from the tree of knowledge to Adam. They both knew God had forbidden it – the only thing He forbade them to do - and there was the first and fatal sin. Humans knew both good and evil and could, in effect, do as they liked. So while many chose to try and live a loving and honest life, others took the opposite view through greed, hate, self-serving. Where we come across wrong-doing, injustice and murder etc. there we see evil, and there is the devil – inside humankind. But because God is just and has accepted we all have this freedom I believe that by His own rules, to some extent, He has to let us get on with it. We can only pray that there are more good and wise rulers, than violent and unjust rulers and that somehow, through the just and righteous thinking of peoples and nations, good will always triumph over evil. History shows us that over time the good in the human race is the victor.

Prayer is not useless, God does not ignore us. He gives us strength to carry on and to overcome our fears in all sorts of ways.

Pray for that inner strength, pray that the aggressors will have a change of heart, for all involved. Pray for the families and refugees that they will be able to return to their homelands, for the peacemakers and for all who suffer in any way or are bereaved. Continue to pray for your own family and friends. God's thoughts and ways are not the same as ours, but He will be with all who call on Him and in time there will be a healing. Read Ecclesiastes 3v1ff

Br. Christian

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A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray all for those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby

Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

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JUNE

It looks as if the people of Leiston will be having a lovely weekend to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, something for everyone and every age. The over 70 Tea Party in the marquee will be very interesting with people reminiscing and chatting. I can remember the King dying leading up to our Queen's Coronation. My Mother was taking us to Aldeburgh Cinema on the

bus to see a film called “Worms Eye View” with Ronald Shiner in. Betty, Alan and me got home from school really excited and then we got told that the Cinema was closed as the King had died, we were so disappointed.

Then we all had to go to a memorial service at St Margaret’s Church. A boy made me laugh and a teacher took me to one side and told me off for laughing at a serious situation. I felt so embarrassed as this long line of school children were staring at me. All school children were given mugs with the year of the coronation on it which I still have somewhere. The schools took part in a fancy dress parade through the town and up to the LTAA as it was then. Loads of people were there and different things were going on - Races, Athletics, Gymnastic Displays, the Fair but only swings and small roundabouts, Dodgems, a stall with rock, toffee apples and candy floss. People got tea and cake but we didn’t focus much on food in those days, as we had had dinner. We would have an ice cream as a treat but everybody just got together.



In the evening a big piece of grass was roped off and there was dancing. It was lovely to watch and people dancing to all the different types surprised us. Every so often we’d have a dance for everyone to join in. You soon learnt how to do it, dances like the Hokey Cokey and The Lambeth Walk. Lovely memories which I hope will be the same for this generation. This is how life should be – happy, getting together, living peacefully.

Hope everyone will enjoy their days. It’s nice to think so many people have got together and organised all this must take a lot of working out. Have a lovely time.

Margaret Clarke

HELEN RIVETT



Helen was born in Diss in April 1929 to parents Harry and Daisy with one brother and three sisters. When she left school she worked in a lady's dress shop until she met and married her husband in 1952. After daughter Jane was born the family moved to Snape where Leslie took up a position as a pig manager and later Margaret was born.

When the girls were at school Helen had a cleaning job and learnt to drive. She ran an Old Folks Club, was a member of the Mothers Union and was instrumental in getting the footpath laid from Snape common to the school.

In 1971 the family moved to Sax and Helen worked at the dry cleaners at the traffic lights. When the cleaners closed she worked at The Bell Hotel. In December 1980 Helen became a Grandma to Ian, in August 1983 to Graham, in December 1983 to Rachel and in April 1987 to Andrew. These grandchildren grew to be amazing adults and Helen was very proud of them all.

Sadly Helen's marriage ended and in 1985 she left Suffolk to live near Jane and family. She became involved with the local church and volunteered in Peterborough Cathedral Shop/Cafe. After ten years Helen decided to return to Suffolk and settled in Leiston. She became involved in St Margaret's Church and often wrote and read the prayers. She was one of the first volunteers to help with "Margaret's" shop when it opened in 1995. She put all her talents in window dressing, learnt in her first job, and "Margaret's" window displays were appreciated by all. She enjoyed making displays for the panto and for the Royal British Legion at Remembrance time.

Once Helen retired from the shop she went to the Dinner Club at the Community Centre, the Rose & Sweet William Club and enjoyed the Leiston Old Folks Outing. She also enjoyed going to the Leiston Film Theatre watching both films and live shows. She was a member of the Leiston Film Theatre Support Club and was a regular attendee of their social and fund raising events.

Helen became a Great Grandma when Gus and then Rafe were born. Her third great grandchild, Denny, was born just after her funeral. She had welcomed all new members to her growing families.

Helen made many friends during her time in Leiston. She worked hard and got involved with many clubs and activities. She was a very private person and enjoyed her own company.

Helen's faith meant a lot to her and this became more apparent as she involved herself in the Church and Cathedral in Peterborough and latterly in St Margaret's.

Editor: My abiding memory of Helen was her gift of leading the prayers in church, so meaningful, so relevant and so much from the heart. I wish I had had half that gift.

A TRIBUTE TO HELEN FROM PATSY SMITH

Helen Rivett was one of the main helpers in Margarets Shop from the beginning in 1995. Helen along with others was always reliable and didn't mind what tasks she was asked to do. During the time Margarets was trading Helen took over as our Window Dresser and what a grand job Helen did. Several of the ladies had particular jobs as did Gladys Standard who always checked the Jigsaw puzzles and often laundered some of the clothing.



All the ladies and gentlemen who worked in Margarets Shop were great listeners too and brought St Margarets Church to the people of Leiston and Helen was incredibly friendly and shared her goodwill even to me when I felt down one day she said I could call her "Mum".

Helen helped with the fundraising at both the dances and open gardens. Helen was a real Christian lady and we miss her lovely smile and friendship.

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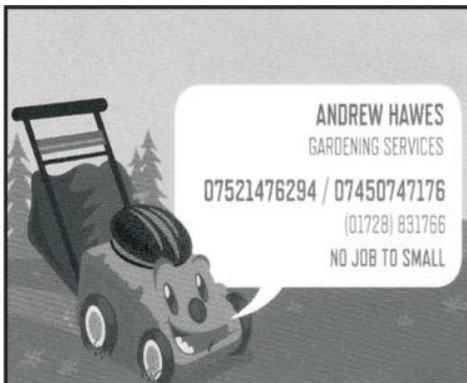
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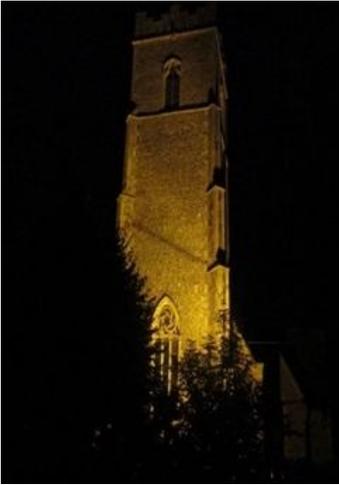


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ST MARGARET'S CHURCH TOWER LIGHTS UP

During May the lighting of the Church Tower was sponsored on

Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th May

In thanksgiving for the life of Malcolm Pickering

Vicar of Leiston & Sizewell 1999 - 2004

With love from all his family

If you would like to mark a special occasion by sponsoring the lighting of the Church Tower for a donation of £5 per day, please write the details in the diary provided in church, then place the completed payment envelope in the wall safe. Many thanks.

*If you would like to arrange to light the tower during the lockdown period, please contact Sandra direct (contact details page 2)

Services of Celebration and Thanksgiving/Funeral

3rd May 2022

10th May 2022

19th May 2022

Violet Marjorie Matthews

Cynthia June Proudfoot

Jennifer Allen

Baptism

8rd May 2022

Liam and Oliver Remenyi

VI MATTHEWS

Violet Marjorie Matthews was born on 30th July 1933 to parents William George and Violet Marjorie Bowley. Her early years were a truly difficult time. Her father was a farmer, who found himself unemployed for a very long time and in the 30's that meant life was hard. Later her sister Grace and brother William, Bill were born. Despite a very harsh start to Vi's life, she excelled at school and if her education had not been interrupted by evacuation during the war she would probably have gone to grammar school and possibly university education. Sadly that was not to be.

Vi met and married her husband in Brighton where he was an electrical engineer at Shoreham Power Station. During their time there son Stuart was born. In 1963 the family moved to Leiston and David worked at Sizewell installing the electrical equipment at the power station. But when the work there finished he started working overseas. During his long periods away from home, Vi developed an independent character and friction in the marriage grew which led to divorce.

In 1971 Vi started work with builders Steer and Partners as a wages clerk. Simon Steer quickly realised her potential and let her take on more and more responsibility and eventually she was made a company director. The 22 years working for Simon gave her the chance to prove herself. Vi decided to retire in 1993 and Simon decided to close the company because the building industry was beginning to be drowned in red tape and he felt he could not cope without Vi's help with the paperwork. During her retirement Vi loved to spend time with her grandsons Ben and Dan and loved nothing better than to buy them toys and clothes and ply them with chocolate cake and soda.

Vi might have appeared difficult but she stood by her principles and those who knew her best, knew she had a moral code she lived by and she would stick to that rigidly. But she did have a huge capacity for giving and loving and enjoying life beneath the sometimes tough exterior.

Stuart, Pah, Ben and Dan had to go through papers and all sorts of things were found. He wondered if that is what we become – just a load of papers? But no, Vi left behind so much more. Her son Stuart, through him his sons Ben and Dan and through Ben her great grandchildren William and Jamie and soon in June Dan and Chelsea will have her third grandchild Maddison, the first girl in the family. So although Vi has left us in body, her spirit lives on through her son, her grandsons and her great grandchildren.

And it was lovely that Jonathan was able to be there to play the organ for her one last time, she loved to hear him play. Vi was a regular attendee and supporter of St Margaret's Church until illness prevented her attendance. She was a Sunday School teacher with Betty, Jean, Jill and I when we had the Church Hall

CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION THURSDAY 19TH MAY

The collection took place at the East of England Co-op, Leiston on Thursday 19th May. The collection boxes have now been emptied and the contents counted. The sum raised was £174.67, £3.50 more than last year. Thank you to all the collectors, the donors and the East of England Co-operative Society for permitting the collection.

Pat Carter

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ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF JEAN'S INCREDIBLE TALENT!

Reader Terry celebrated his 80th birthday recently and to mark the occasion Jean Franklin picked up her knitting needles and created Terry in his reader's robes. Belated Happy Birthday, Terry and Well Done, Jean!

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ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUIZ

- 1 Easter
- 2 Ten
- 3 A rushing wind
- 4 They could speak in different languages
- 5 Peter
- 6 Dream
- 7 They shall be saved if they called upon the Lord
- 8 Jesus
- 9 They would become David's footstools
- 10 Jerusalem

Quiz pages will return next month



Artist: Claude Monet Arranger: Sue Watson



Artist: Terence Cuneo
Arranger: Maureen Fox



Artist: LS Lowry
Arranger: Jo Tozer



Artist: Takashi Murakami
Arranger: Estelle Gossage



Artist: Roger Fenton-Lamon
Arranger: Sue Thompson



Artist: Paul Cezanne
Arranger: Roger Woolnough



Sculptor: Tom Merrett
Arranger: Sheena Merrett

A FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS AND ART

During the festival St Margaret's Church hosted a wonderful display of flowers, art and sculpture. This coupled with excellent refreshments and interesting raffles raised a much needed £706 for church funds. Thanks to all arrangers, caterers, stewards and everyone who helped.



Monday 20th June at 7.30pm on Zoom

Endell Street: The Trailblazing Women who Ran World War One's Most Remarkable Military Hospital – Wendy Moore

When the First World War broke out in 1914 dozens of women doctors offered their services – but they were told by the British Army to “Go home and sit still”. Flora Murray and Louisa Garrett Anderson refused to sit still. Both qualified doctors and suffragettes – and also life partners – they took a team of women doctors and nurses to Paris. They ran a hospital there so successfully that the army invited them to open a second hospital in Boulogne and then – in May 1915 – to run a major military hospital in the heart of London. Endell Street was unique. It was the only hospital within the British Army to be staffed by women – all the doctors, nurses and orderlies were female, apart from a dozen or so male helpers. The women of Endell Street treated 24,000 wounded soldiers who were shipped back from the frontline in France, Gallipoli and elsewhere throughout the war. After the war the hospital remained open to treat victims of the 1918 ‘Spanish’ flu pandemic. Endell Street became renowned as the ‘most popular’ hospital in the First World War – but that did nothing to help its women pioneers when peace came.

Louisa Garrett Anderson was the daughter of Elizabeth Garrett Anderson, Mayor of Aldeburgh – the first female mayor and the first female doctor in England. The Garretts were major employers and philanthropists in our immediate area for some two centuries. Wendy Moore, author of *ENDELL STREET: The Women who ran Britain's Trailblazing Military Hospital*, reveals the startling story of these pioneering women. Wendy is a freelance journalist and the author of five books on medical and social history. *ENDELL STREET* was a BBC Radio 4 Book of the Week.

This event is free to members ‘attending’ over Zoom, and is also available to non-members at a cost of £3.00. If you wish to ‘attend’ please register via our website <https://avsfhg.org.uk/events/book/> by 5pm on the preceding Friday and you will be sent joining instructions. However, at a cost of £6 for a full year's membership, why not consider signing up with this growing band of family history enthusiasts now?

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

Dear Friends

June's magazine continues to focus on monthly prayer time, with the St Margaret's Church family group for this month as shown below. There are three family groups with each one appearing in the magazine every three months. However, you remain in our thoughts and prayers always.

If you would like to be included in our family monthly prayers, or have any queries please email stmargaretsleiston@gmail.com. If you feel you would prefer to be remembered in a particular month then please let us know. Also, if you have a specific need for additional prayer time then please let us know and we will add you to our 'special prayers' section.

In our Church Family Prayers

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Please note that all articles, adverts etc. will need to be submitted to Pat Carter by **18 June** for inclusion in the July Magazine. Thank you.

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