# Notices & News for this week

# **Praying with the Psalms**

Please join us after the Tuesday midweek Eucharist to study and discuss the psalms. We will begin by sharing our favourite psalms and reflect on how the psalms help us to pray and worship God. The sessions will be accessible and there will be plenty of time to listen and share our ideas with one another. If you would like more information please speak with Fr Tom.

This week (13 July) 8.00-8.45pm - Psalms of Lament and Hope

# St Margaret's Patronal Festival: Sunday 18 July

The Patronal Festival is the Sunday each year when a church celebrates the saint after which it is named - in our case, St Margaret of Antioch.

As our preacher this year we will welcome Fr John Brown, who is the parish priest of one of our MMU sister parishes, St Luke, Ilford. Fr John is actually on sabbatical until the end of July, so we are grateful that he is willing to break into his sabbatical time to come and preach for us on a special day in the life of our church.

Following our now long established tradition, after the Eucharist, Peter Haler will take a congregational photograph.

Post-photograph, we set off for a picnic together in Valentines Park. To comply with Covid guidelines, we will not share food, so bring your own food to eat, and drinks. Also, chairs, rugs etc. that you might like to use. We will gather in an area neat the mansion, which will be convenient for the car park, toilets, and the café if you want to buy hot drinks or ice cream.

# **PCC** meeting

The Church Council meet on Thursday at 8.00pm on zoom.

### **Christian Education Project**

Fr Stephen and Fr Tom have been asked to make a film for the C.E.P. explaining how St Margaret's is used as a place of worship. They will be doing this on Thursday morning this week. It is aimed at children aged 7 to 9. We'll share the link after the film is made so people outside that age group can also watch!

# Photo display

We are producing a new display of photos of members of the congregation for the west end of the church. If you haven't already had your photo taken, Peter Haler is taking more pictures after the Sunday Eucharist today.

#### **Admission of Churchwardens**

Because of Covid restrictions, Churchwardens can again this year be admitted to office in their parish church and by their parish priest. Charles and Helen were elected as Churchwardens for St Margaret's at our APCM in May and will be admitted to office next Sunday morning during the Eucharist, as part of our Patronal Festival celebrations.

# **Sunday Eucharist Reading Rota**

Please check your email inbox for the new rota if you read at the Sunday Eucharist.

# St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford

Welcoming, transforming and growing together in God's love

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# Welcome to St Margaret's Church

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us or visiting us. If you are here for the first time please or visiting from another church, please introduce yourself.

Keep in touch with us by visiting our web site: stmargaretilford.org.uk

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# **Worship & Intercessions**

#### **THIS MORNING**

Welcome Team: Dorish Thason

**Cantor:** Terry English **Reader:** Janet Potter

Intercessions led by Vijin Paulraj

#### **TUESDAY**

7.30pm Eucharist

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

ST MARGARET OF ANTIOCH - PATRONAL FESTIVAL

10.30am Parish Eucharist
followed by congregational photo
outside the church and afterwards
a picnic in Valentines Park

#### WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

#### The sick and those in need:

Loraine Arnold, Francis Chitolie, Fizza and her family, Anne Fox, Jennifer Mottley and her family, Joergen Nielsen, Ade Onuaguluchi, Christobel Trumpet, Tony Walker, Mother Prioress and the Sisters of the Monastery of Sainte Françoise Romaine at Bec-Hellouin

#### The recently departed,

# Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:

11th: Charlotte Lovering, Louis Myers

13th: Frances Dickerson

14th: Philip Brown

15<sup>th</sup>: Sylvia Coleman, Violet Peaper

17<sup>th</sup>: Dorothy Whittingham, William Winfield (*Priest*)

# Entrance Hymn: When morning gilds the skies

#### **Collect**

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

# Old Testament Reading: Amos 7: 7-15

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.' Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land." And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

#### Psalm 85

R: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. R

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. R

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. R

## Gospel acclamation

Alleluia .....

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life Alleluia ....

Gospel Reading: St Mark 6: 14-29

# **Offertory Hymn:**

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

# Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, look kindly on us as we prepare your table, and grant to us who gather here an increase in holiness and grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

# **Communion Song:**

Do not be afraid, I am with you

# **Post Communion Prayer**

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Prayer Themes for July**

Fr Tom suggests these themes to use in our prayers during July:

Creation - countries with extreme heat in July (Japan and Algeria)

**Olympic Games** - pray for those competing and their families, and the staff working at the Games.

Blind people. St Thomas (3 July) is the patron saint of the blind

The life, worship and witness of this parish. St Margaret of Antioch's feast day is 20 July

Women, especially those who are mistreated or without a voice. St Mary Magdalene (22 July) is the patron saint of women

**Those on pilgrimage.** St James the Great (25 July) is the patron saint of pilgrims