WELCOME TO ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IFIELD

NOTICES CONTINUED

4.30 pm

9.30 am

In church this week -

Tuesday 19th December

Monday 18th December

Wednesday 20th December

5.00 pm Carols Round the Tree

Said Eucharist Service

Mayor's Carol Service



A big thank you too to Karl and Sarah for organising the outside Christmas tree – Karl worked an extra shift at Furze Firs (<u>https://www.furzefirs.co.uk/contact</u>) and they kindly let him choose the tree we have outside. A big thank you goes to Trevor for transporting the tree on his new car roof bars and Bridgeham who bought us the met post to ensure that the tree stays upright. Christine



You may have noticed the memory tree in the Lady Chapel. Whilst Christmas is a time of joy for many, for some it can be a difficult time. The stars are there for you to write a name on to remember someone missed at this time of year. When the tree branches are full the stars will be removed and moved to form a garland around the pillars so that they form part of our decorations here. Further details about the Memory tree and the stars can be found on the bench Infront of the

tree. Christine Registered Charity Account no. 1132318





Please join us

Here at St. Margaret's we are delighted to open our church again daily from 8:30 am till 11 am to enable people to use this building individually for private prayer.

> Please do look at our website www.ifieldparish.org or our group

St Margaret's Church, Ifield for more details of our online services, how to join them, and discover how the church is active

and at work proclaiming in this community, that in Jesus you are "Loved as you are".

17 th December 2023	Advent 3
Services next Sunday:	Parish Communion (11.00 am)
Christmas Eve	Crib Service (4.00 pm)
	Midnight Mass (11.00 pm)
For our prayers	
The Parish:	Loxwood Walk, The Mardens, Messenger Close and
	Middleton Way, Lark Rise, Larkins Road and Latimer Close
	Patients of Langley Green Hospital and
The Sick:	Paula Holt, Arthur and Doris Pattenden, Lydia, David Baker, Maureen Clifford, Charlotte Bacon, Daphne Goodwin, Sally Windsor, Ray and Pam Budd, Tina Fell, Richard Whitehouse, Lucy Millar, Pete Barton, Pat Hollis, Ann Swaine, Susan Maries, John Boero, Tina, Gordon, John Penalver and Linda Pudney
	Roy Bovis
The Departed:	
	Brian Durden, Hilda Wise, Ronald Scott, Jason Simmonds,
Year's mind:	3 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
	Hopcroft, Irene Merrick, Lionel Lyons, Jean Birchall, Dorothy
	Wainwright, Edna Humphrey, Bernard Lyons, Barbara
	Gittins, Kenneth Payne, Val Whorwood, Jacqueline Baker,
	Eleanor Franklin, Ian Smith and Susan Seymour

NOTICES

Carols in the Plough Pub is taking place on the 20th of December at 7 pm. All are welcome.

The funeral for **Roy Bovis** is taking place on the 20th of December at 3.45 pm at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium.

Love Christmas 2023. Any **donations** towards Love Christmas would be gratefully received, all of which will be match funded. This can also be done via the above link. And if you would like to join the team to help pull this off, details can be found on the same link

Over 53,000 households across Sussex are living in fuel poverty

this year. The escalating cost of living and soaring energy bills are forcing families into a distressing dilemma: choosing between warming their homes and putting food on the table, or covering crucial expenses such as shoes and clothing.

Can you consider sharing your winter fuel allowance with those local families who are facing the greatest hardships?

Please give directly online following this link: www.justgiving.com/campaign/stw23

Or send a cheque payable to Family Support Work to Garton House, 22 Stanford Avenue, Brighton BN1 6AA.

Family Support Work: www.familysupportwork.org

Open Door – 1st Wednesday of the month – 10.15 am to 12 pm. Open Door is an opportunity to meet with others, drink coffee and chat - everyone is welcome whether you come to church or not. Bring your knitting, your dominos, your puzzles but most importantly bring you - a warm welcome awaits! **Easter Team Foodbank.** Thank you SO much everyone for your generous donations this week and for your support throughout the year.

Thanks to you and others like you (from as far afield as Balcombe), Easter Team will be able to bring some much needed joy in the form of biscuits, chocolates and other seasonal treats to the families and individuals who depend on them () ()

I shall be back to regular fortnightly deliveries from TUESDAY 9th JANUARY.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year *****

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Flowers - we are considering a new scheme where people can donate towards the flowers for a particular Sunday in the year (not including the weeks of Lent or Advent) in dedication to a departed family member and/or friend. If you would like to be a part of this scheme please speak to Patricia Upham-Hill. The name of the person can be put on the news sheet on the week of the donation if you would like. If you would like any further information please speak to me or Patricia. Christine

For more information on Save West of Ifield please refer to this website: www.savewestofifield.co.uk