

NOTICES CONTINUED

In church this week –

Wednesday 30th March	9.30 am 12.30 pm	Said Eucharist Service Lent Lunches
Thursday 31st March	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Friday 1st April	6.30 pm 8.00 pm	Youth Group Older Youth Group
Saturday 2nd April	11.00 am	Stations of the Cross

Forthcoming Events

Little Dragons – It's for little ones, their parent's and carers! Starting 9th May 2022, 9 am to 10.30 am in church. Every Monday in term time.

Lent Lunches In Aid Of Family Support Work. A simple Lent Lunch (vegetable soup, roll and butter and cheese) will be served at the back of the church on Wednesdays in Lent, starting on Wednesday 9th March at 12.30 pm. The cost will be £5 a head. Please come and join us.

Welcoming Visitors To St. Margaret's During The May Fayre. If you can spare an hour or two on Monday 2nd May to welcome visitors to the church, please speak to Jill Bell (telephone 521699 or email reader@ifieldparish.org).

Easy Fundraising. The parish has set up a fundraising account with Easy Fundraising: If you load the App on your smartphone and computer then online purchases from a huge range of suppliers (eg. Amazon, eBay, Tesco, Iceland, Argos, Decathlon, M&S, John Lewis, WHSmith Curry's, AO, apple, [Booking.com](https://www.booking.com) etc) will result in automatic donations being made to St. Margaret's Church, Ifield. As we now buy so much online this is an easy way to help us at no additional cost - a win-win solution. Alternatively you can use the link below which takes you direct to our page. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmargaretsifield/?q=St%20Margarets%20-%20Ifield&cat=cause-autosuggest>

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

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WELCOME TO ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IFIELD



Please join us

Here at St. Margaret's we are delighted to open our church again daily from 8:30 am till 6 pm to enable people to use this building individually for private prayer.

Although this building has been shut, the 'church' has remained open and active, working to serve our community and continuing to gather online.

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".

27th March 2022

Lent 4

Services next Sunday: **Said Eucharist Service (8 am)**
Lent 5 **First Sunday Service (11 am)**

For our prayers

The Parish: St Andrews Road, Stackfield Road, Storrington Court and Strathmore Road, Stafford Road, Stagelands and Stephen Close

The Sick: Patients of Langley Green Hospital and Richard Aldridge, Jean Bovis, Mark and Julia Upton, Pat Hollis, Jill and Mike Charman, David Talbot, Paula Holt, Arthur and Doris Pattenden

The Departed:

Year's mind: Ernest Walsh, John Gilbert, Josephine Smith, Ken Rager, Mary Pedlow, Robert Chaplin, May Capstick, Eileen Lewis, Leonard and Jessie Greaves, Roy Seymour, Richard Cooper and Christopher Richmond

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Ifield Mayfayre 2nd May 2022: We are thrilled to confirm that after two years of cancellation due to the pandemic, **there will be a Mayfayre this year!!!** We are confident it will be just as it's always been – a great day out for all the family, a great drawing together of the community and a great way to raise some much needed funds for the maintenance of our church building and those of the Barn Theatre with whom we share the proceeds. However, as always, we depend on your help to make this a success! So, whatever you can do - running a stall, putting up tents, serving refreshments or something more sedentary – there is scope for everyone to help in some way. More info to follow soon but in the meantime, **please, please contact me now with your offers of help, Sue Gilbert, 07932 106688, gilberts@ifieldmayfayre.co.uk**

The Bible on CDs: If you, or anyone you know, could make use of a set of CDs of the King James Bible, please contact Jill Bell on 521699 or reader@ifieldparish.org.

New Daylight - A Bible Reading Fellowship Publication. New Daylight is an excellent quarterly booklet produced by the Bible Reading Fellowship. It contains a page for every day of the year with a Bible reading, and a prayer or comment. Regular daily readings can help to focus on and enrich knowledge of the Scriptures and help us to feel closer to our Lord.

Subscriptions are due for the forthcoming year, 2022/2023, which starts in May, so now is the time to be deciding if you would like to receive the booklet. For 3 booklets per year the cost is £14.55, or £18.00 for the large print version.

There is a sample copy of the small New Daylight on the literature table for your perusal. Feel free to look in it, but please leave it on the table for others to see.

If you already subscribe to New Daylight, I shall be contacting soon. If you would like to start having New Daylight please see me in Church, or call me on 512255 - Jane Binmore

Face Masks and other things

Despite the government removing the legal requirement for the wearing of face masks, it is still acknowledged that face masks are recommended in enclosed spaces where people gather and meet who don't normally meet. Taking this into account at a recent PCC meeting the PCC decided to retain mask use here in St Margaret's following the Church of England guidance.

The Church of England considers that as Christians we are called to be responsible to, and for, one another and should respect the more vulnerable within our church family. Whilst not being able to enforce mask wearing the PCC felt that those who did not wish to wear one could be asked to sit away from those who still wished to wear masks and those who felt particularly vulnerable.

The Church of England considers that the use of hand sanitisers and the placement of these near the entrance remains good practice and the PCC decided that we would continue that.

The Church of England still considered that singing involves more risk to people so for the time being masks will still be worn while singing. The PCC have considered the guidance on the provision of coffee and tea after the services

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and it was felt that we could recommence this again if we have willing volunteers. **For anyone who would like to help start this up again please let the Parish Office know.**

Finally the PCC considered the practice for giving Holy Communion and decided that we will continue our current practice for now.

It should be stressed that all of the above will be kept under review and will be removed once it is felt safe to do so.

Wednesday Said Eucharistic Services from Ash Wednesday this service will take place weekly.

Junior House Group takes place every Sunday from 4.00 pm to 5.30 pm until Palm Sunday in St Margaret's Church

Easter Team Foodbank: Thank you everyone, a super car load of goodies again this week and as always Easter Team were delighted by your generosity and asked me to pass on their grateful thanks 🙏

NEXT DELIVERY: Tuesday 5th APRIL

Demand remains high; 80-100 food parcels a week and expected to rise as increases in fuel costs etc bite.

Please give what you can and encourage others to do likewise.

Currently in short supply:

Tinned meat
Tinned vegetables (not peas)
Cereal
Tea bags
Rice (small packets)
Tinned fruit

Leave in church or contact me sue@ifieldparish.org

Thank you 🙏 😊

Tesco Blue Tokens For Family Support Work. Please use your tokens to help FSW win the maximum Community Grant between 1st April - 30th June when you shop at Tesco Express, Hyde Drive or Tesco Extra, Hazelwick Avenue.

Stations Of The Cross Saturday 2nd April At 11.00 AM: In preparation for Holy Week, please join us for this service of pictures, meditations and prayers, as in our imaginations we accompany Jesus along the route to Calvary.

The Memorial service for Jean Rickard is taking place on the 4th of April at 12 pm in church.

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