

**St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford**  
**Weekly News Sheet**  
**Sunday 14<sup>h</sup> of July 2024**  
**Patronal Festival**



We hope you enjoy worshipping with us or visiting us. If you are here for the first time or visiting from another church, please introduce yourself. You will find all your need for the service using this sheet, the service booklet and the hymn book. The hymns are on the board at the front or will be announced.

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## **Worship and Intercessions**

### **THIS MORNING**

#### **Welcome Team:**

Jannis Abley & Barbara Haler

**Mass setting:** Thorne

**Cantor:** All

**Readers:** Stephen Romaniuk & Andrea Kiso

**Intercessions:** Kay Adeyinka

**Eucharistic minister:** Stephen Romaniuk

### **WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:**

The sick and those in need:

Geoff Allen, Delrose Berry, Francis Chitolie, Archdeacon Elwin Cockett, Susan Cockett, Fizza and her family, Anne Fox, Lenore Hinds, Jenifer Motley, Keethan Ranjan Ponuthurai, Janet Potter, Amol Rego, Caroline Campbell, Shruti Sriram, Nathalie Wallace, Kathy Wicks.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity

10.30am Parish Eucharist

### **The recently departed:**

**Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:** Sylvia Coleman, Violet Mable Agnes Peaper, Dorothy Mary Whittingham, William Winfield (*Priest*), Doris George

### **HYMNS FOR TODAY:**

571, 209, 54, 570

## **Collect**

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Margaret of Antioch triumphed over suffering and was faithful unto death: strengthen us with your grace, that we may endure reproach and persecution and faithfully bear witness to the name of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **First Reading:** Wisdom 4:10-15

<sup>10</sup> There were some who pleased God and were loved by him, and while living among sinners were taken up. <sup>11</sup> They were caught up so that evil might not change their understanding or guile deceive their souls. <sup>12</sup> For the fascination of wickedness obscures what is good, and roving desire perverts the innocent mind. <sup>13</sup> Being perfected in a short time, they fulfilled long years; <sup>14</sup> for their souls were pleasing to the Lord, therefore he took them quickly from the midst of wickedness. <sup>15</sup> Yet the peoples saw and did not understand, or take such a thing to heart, that God's grace and mercy are with his elect, and that he watches over his holy ones.

## **Psalm**

**R:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him with the sound of trumpets.

## **Second Reading:** Romans 8:35-end.

<sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **Gospel acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him with the sound of trumpets.

## **Gospel Reading:** St. Matthew 13: 45-46

<sup>45</sup> "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; <sup>46</sup> on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

**Communion song:** *O God, you search me and you know me*, B. Farrell.

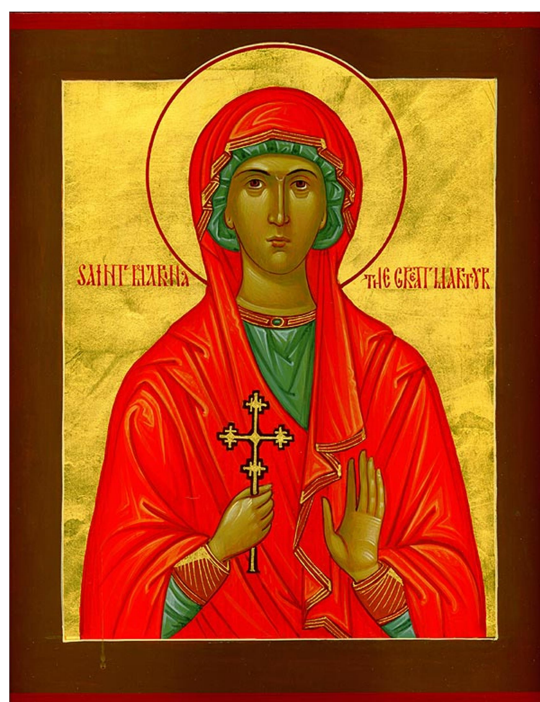
## Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, who gave us this holy meal in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross and the victory of your martyr St Margaret of Antioch: by our communion with Christ in his saving death and resurrection, give us with all your saints the courage to conquer evil and so to share the fruit of the tree of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Recessional:** *Ach Gott, mein seufzen*, J.G. Walther.

## Who was St Margaret of Antioch?

St. Margaret of Antioch (flourished 3rd or 4th century, Antioch, Syria; Eastern feast day July 13; Western feast day July 20) was a virgin martyr and one of the 14 Holy Helpers (a group of saints jointly commemorated on August 8), who was one of the most venerated saints during the Middle Ages. Her story is substantially that of the Eastern St. Marina of Antioch, whose feast day is July 17, and is related to that of St. Pelagia of Antioch, who is also known as Margaret or Marina. During the reign (284–305) of the Roman emperor Diocletian, Margaret allegedly refused marriage with the prefect Olybrius at Antioch and was consequently beheaded after undergoing extravagant trials and tortures. Her designation as patron saint of expectant mothers (particularly in difficult labour) and her emblem, a dragon, are based on one of her trials: Satan, disguised as a dragon, swallowed Margaret; his stomach, however, soon rejecting her, opened, and let her out unharmed. During the medieval period she ranked among the most famous saints; her voice was among those attested to have been heard by St. Joan of Arc. **Source: Encyclopaedia Britannica.**



## News and Notices for this week

We welcome to St Margaret's today Canon Kate Moore to preside and preach at the Parish Eucharist this morning. We are grateful for her time and support whilst the parish is in vacancy. **Everyone is very welcome to stay after the service today and join us for a BBQ and some chat in honour of our Patron Saint Margaret.**

### News from the Wardens

The work to refurbish the toilets in the hall will be starting on Monday 22 July. The hall will be inaccessible for all users for the duration of the school summer holidays and will re-open on Monday 2 September.

### PCC News

On Thursday the PCC met. We discussed the Parish Profile which is coming together, the lease of the hall by Little Rascals, which is expected to be finalised this month, gardening at the vicarage, final pigeon works and the impending toilet refurbishment taking place this summer. Charles Acolatse and Vijin Paulraj were co-opted into the PCC

### Tea's Company

Tea's Company: the next tea will be on Thursday 18th July from 2pm to 3.30pm. Please come along for tea or coffee and homemade cake and lots of chat. Everyone is welcome, bring your friends and make new ones. Thanks Sharon  
07555 144255

### Redbridge Citizens

On 1 July, 4 of us from St Margaret's attended the Citizens UK General Election Assembly. Representatives from Labour, Liberal Democrats and Conservatives spoke and answered questions on the CUK manifesto. There is a copy of the manifesto at the back of church. On Thursday I was back at Westminster again for the Celebrating Democracy & Securing Accountability event. Teams from around the country, including many young people, presented their work on the issues in our manifesto and then we moved to Parliament Square for a meet and greet with new MPs (I did not spot our local MPS) and to present our ask for votes at 16. We now have to hold our MPs accountable. Jenny Bowen

### Discoverers

**Sunday 21 July** will be the last Discoverers before a summer break. It will restart on Sunday 1 September. There will be colouring and activity sheets in the children's area.

### Weekly News Sheet

If you have notices, news and other items for inclusion in the WNS please email [stmargaretig1@gmail.com](mailto:stmargaretig1@gmail.com), or speak to Helen Cansick, Krystyna Retecka or Fr Mark.