

News and Notices for this week

Patronal Festival 2022

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Patronal Festival such a lovely occasion last Sunday. Special thanks to the Revd Bridget de Mello for coming to preach; Mike and the cantors for the music; Norma for her flower displays; the altar servers; Fatima and Krystina for organizing the refreshments. Some photos from last Sunday taken by Vijin are displayed on the noticeboard at the back of church, and on St Margaret's Facebook and Twitter pages.

Parochial Church Council Meeting

The PCC meeting last Thursday was taken up with discussion on a variety of business matters:

- New safeguarding training which has been prepared by the Diocese for parishes
- Negotiations about a new lease with Little Rascals Pre-school for hire of the church hall
- Possible installation of WiFi in the church hall
- Removing flaking paint on the wall of the church
- Removal of a dead tree in the garden of the property the parish owns in Ingleby Road, and cutting back a tree in the front of the property
- Purchase of new chairs for the church hall, and cleaning of the hall. Problems with the disabled toilet in the hall
- News of the work of Redbridge Citizens
- Report on the finances of the parish

Church collections

We are very grateful to everyone who gives financially to St Margaret's.

- ◆ You can make a donation on line via our web site: www.stmargaretilford.org.uk
- ◆ You can pay directly into the church bank account with a Standing Order. To set up a Standing Order you will need these PCC bank details: sort code 08-92-99 account number 65793705.
- ◆ You can make a donation in church using the contactless payment machine at the back of church
- ◆ You can leave cash in the plate at the back of church

Thought for the week

God is always present, but not always active in ways we desire or understand. Faith is to embrace the unknown and welcome the unfolding of truth, which is sometimes disclosed in unexpected and surprising ways.

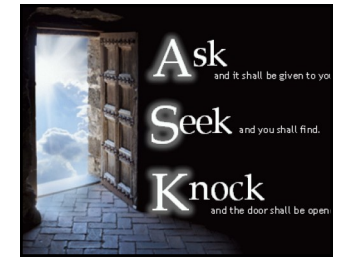
Bishop Guli (Bishop of Chelmsford) in 'Reflections for Daily Prayer'

St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford

Weekly News Sheet

Sunday 24 July 2022

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Twitter: @StMargaretIG1

Facebook: facebook.com/StMargaretIG1/

Instagram : @stmargaret_ilford_ig1.

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Worship & Intercessions

THIS MORNING

Welcome Team: Faustina Bainbridge

Mass setting:

Mass of St Thomas - David Thorne

Cantor: Ann Rotondaro

Readers:

Terry English and Jannis Abley

Intercessions led by Kay Adeyinka

Eucharistic minister: Rosalie Field

THIS WEEK

Tuesday

(Anne and Joachim, parents of the BVM)

10.30am Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

10.30am Parish Eucharist

WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

The sick and those in need:

Loraine Arnold, Delrose Berry, Tina Bird and her family, Francis Chitolie, Fizza and her family, Anne Fox, Lenore Hinds, Gill King, Karen Lahiff, Jennifer Mottley and her family, Joergen Nielsen, Janet Potter, Jayaluxmy Rajakulendran, Akash Cornelious Rego, Rosa Suspiro, Wagner Tavares, Chun Wah Chan, Chung Yau Tai, Christobel Trumpet

The recently departed:

including, Peter Cansick

Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:

24th: Rachel Stevens

25th: Robert Phillips

27th: Lilian Harrison

28th: Anna Jackson

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.

First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre and said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the LORD said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again Abraham spoke to the LORD, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then Abraham said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' The LORD answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' Abraham said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' The LORD answered, 'For the sake of twenty I

will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' The LORD answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

Psalm 138

R: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **R**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **R**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes. **R**

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hand. **R**

Second Reading: Colossians 2: 6-15

Brothers and sisters, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised

him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia!

The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him he
gave power to become children of God

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: St Luke 11: 1-13

Prayer over the Gifts

We bring to your table, O God,
what your bountiful goodness has given us.
By this sacrament, make holy our life on earth
and bring us to the joy of life eternal.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Communion Song: Seek ye first
(words in hymn book, hymn 590)

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.