

Your guide to this coming week:

Monday 1st April

6pm Bellringing Practice - In Church
No Bible Study this week – Resumes 8th April
No Midday Prayer – Resumes 15th April

Tuesday 2nd April

No Busy Fingers – Resumes 9th April

Wednesday 3rd April

No Mothers' Union (Meeting on 10th April instead)
No Midday Prayer – Resumes 17th April

Friday 5th April

12pm Holy Communion – In Church
12.30 – 4pm Open Church
NO Choir Practice this week

Sunday 7th April

10am Sung Eucharist Service
No Evening Service

Confirmation Classes

Commencing after Easter

If you're interested in doing confirmation classes,
please speak with Canon Simon.

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Sunday 14th April 2024

Straight after the 10am Eucharist Service in church.

*A reminder, if you're not on the electoral role and you would like to be,
please collect & complete a form,
then hand it to Chris Leech, a sidesperson or church warden.*

This week's pew sheet is sponsored by Kate

Thank you to

*Jonathan Williams & the St. Margaret's Choir,
for the time, dedication & hard work given each week
to produce their beautiful music.*



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31/03/24

Happy Easter & Welcome to

St. Margaret's Church

Hollingsworth Road, Lowestoft



If you would like to make an offering to St. Margaret's
please place your gift either
on the collection plate *before* the service,
or use the card-reader at the back of church.
Your gift will support our ongoing mission work & help
towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.
Thank you for your kind gift.

Sunday 31st March 2024 Easter Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist

Presiding: Canon Simon
Preaching: Canon Simon
Deacon: Sarah
Reader: Revd. Pauline & Kathryn
Reading: Isaiah 25: 6 - 9
1 Corinthians 15: 1 - 11
Gospel: John 20: 1 - 18
Intercessor: Christine
Hymns: 205, 678, 588, 358 & 218
Anthem: Come, ye faithful (Thatcher)



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week's 10am
service booklet

*An invitation at the end to join with the choir in singing
the Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah (G.F. Handel)*

*Tea & coffee are served in the Church Centre following the
service. Why not come and join us?*

Services for Sunday 7th April 2024 2nd Sunday after Easter

10.00am Sung Eucharist
No Evening Service

If you are visiting us today, you are very welcome.
Please ask the sidespersons at the back table for any help.
Large-print pew sheets, service sheets & hymn books available.
*Toilets are in the centre. If you need them during the service, the
key is available from the back table.*

Lectionary Readings & Prayers for this Sunday

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 25: 6-9*

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

New Testament Reading: *1 Corinthians 15: 1-11*

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Gospel Reading: *John 20: 1-18*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Collect (Prayer of the Week)

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

God of Life, who for our redemption
gave your only begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of
his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

