

MARGARETTING NEWS

December 2020

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

Sunday, 6 December - No Service
 Sunday, 13 December - No Service
 Sunday, 20 December - No Service
 Christmas Eve - No service
Christmas Day
10am - Holy Communion
 Sunday, 27 December - No service

ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9:30am - ZOOM service
 9:30am - ZOOM service
 9:30am - ZOOM service
 9:00pm - Holy Communion
 9:30am - No service
 9:30am - ZOOM service

ST. MARY'S CHURCH BUTTSBURY

8:30am - Holy Communion
 No service
 3:30pm - Evensong
 No Service
 8:30am - Holy Communion
 celebrated by Archdeacon Elizabeth
 3:00pm - Carols by Candlelight

Everyone is very welcome to join us for any or all of our services
 For all enquiries contact Revd Patrick Sherring - telephone number 01277 352562

MARGARETTING IN NEED TRUST

This year the trustees have decided to donate £1,000 to a local food bank instead of distributing Christmas hampers in the village. If anyone cannot manage without the hamper or needs help please contact Maurice or any of the trustees.
 Maurice Wright - Chairman Tel: 01277 352126

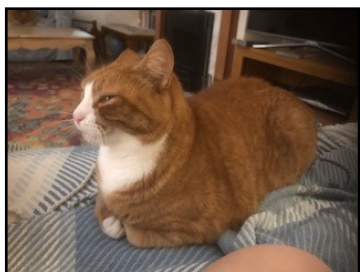


For Sale

Locally Grown Christmas Trees
 Open 7 days a week up till Xmas
 Whitesbridge Farm
 Maldon road, CM4 9JT



My name is Connie. Please can you offer me a home? My owners are moving house sometime in January and cannot take me with them. I'm five years old, was neutered three years ago, and I'm fully vaccinated. For more information please contact my owner Liz on 07517086951



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2020

Bugler Jonathan Steer placed this special wreath along side the Great War Centenary plaque. This year was Jonathan's twenty eighth year playing 'last post' and 'reveille' for Margarettong's Act of Remembrance.

The ceremony and prayers were led by Revd Tim Pigrem. Wreaths were laid at the foot of the war memorial by representatives of the Parish Council, St Margaret's Church, Margarettong Friends and the CAMEO Club. The names of the Margarettong men, inscribed on the war memorial, who lost their lives in the two world wars, were read aloud by Simon Upton. Lea Jones closed the ceremony with the Kohima Epitaph 'When you go home, tell them of us and say for their tomorrow we gave our today'. This is the epitaph carved on the Memorial of the 2nd British Division in the cemetery of Kohima (North-East India).

More photographs of Remembrance Sunday can be seen on the next page. Our thanks go to Harry Blurton, Melissa Bryan, Rosemary Carter, Penny Savill and Maurice Wright for sharing their photos.

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MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes for parish council meetings, once they have been agreed and signed by the chairman, are posted on the Margarett Community website www.margarett.com

A copy of the minutes is also placed on the notice board outside the parish office at the village hall.

The office telephone number is 01277 350887. This telephone is checked weekly on a Tuesday for messages.

Alternatively, you can contact the parish council via email. Email address: parishcouncil.margarett@virgin.net

Although recent meetings have been postponed due to Covid-19 safety restrictions it has been business as usual for members with regard to issues of concern to the community. The parish council continues to carry out its daily duties such as dealing with problems received from residents, considering planning application and submitting comments, progressing projects and sharing information received from public bodies.

Should you require any information or advice please contact one of your parish councillors.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The parish council has received the following planning matters since November's newsletter:

Applications received for comment:

1, Bank End, Maldon Road

Application No. 20/01711/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension, internal alterations.

Rear dormer window to roof, roof light to front and proposed second floor.

The following decisions were noted:

Building East of Rose Cottage, London Road

Application No. 20/01263/CLEUD

Proposal: Use of existing buildings as a dwelling

Decision: Application Withdrawn

The Parsonage, Parsonage Lane

Application No. 20/01204/FUL

Proposal: Proposed Greenhouse.

Decision: Planning Permission Granted

Ivy Barn Cottage, Ivy Barn Lane

Application No. 20/01373/FUL

Proposal: Proposed basement extension to provide games room/addition bedroom.

Decision: Planning Permission Granted

Coach House, Main Road

Application No. 20/01355/FUL

Proposal: Detached garage and car port

Decision: Planning Permission Granted.

ACCOUNTS

Expenditure in (October and November)

£21.08 Wave - Allotments

£81.50 Amazon - Ink cartridges

£6.00 Asda - Computer paper

£3,543.60 ECCS Essex - bollards Installation - The Tye

£789.60 MDL - Grass cutting

£20 Royal British Legion - Poppy Wreath

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 10th December 2020

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ARTHUR CURTIS - ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Old soldier wins another gong

THE Royal British Legion's gold badge was presented to Arthur Curtis, 76, on Monday, at Stock. A founder-member of the now ceased Margarett branch, Mr. Curtis has served on the Stock branch committee since 1922.

He was wounded in the 1914 war in France then saw service in Palestine. A marksman and first-class signaller, Mr. Curtis also did a lot of cross-country running in the services, winning many medals.

By trade a bricklayer then a self-employed jobbing builder until retirement, he has been very active in the British Legion.

Mr. Curtis is also the holder of a long service medal of the Essex Special Constabulary.

Can you help?

The following email was sent to the parish council.

"I am trying to find out where the Margarett RBL was held, my grandfather who was born in Whites Cottages in 1898 along with five brothers, I have been trying to find out where their meetings were held as part of my research but so far have come up with nothing, when it was disbanded he carried on his duties at Stock until he passed away in 1982.

Thank you in advance. Kind regards, Martin Griffiths"



If you need to talk, we're here to listen

If you're feeling lonely or worried, finding it difficult to access food or medication, or are concerned about someone else who is - we can provide support.

Call our free and confidential coronavirus support line on **0808 196 3651** to chat to a friendly British Red Cross volunteer. They can:

- help with practical information and advice
- give you emotional support
- connect you with support in your area.



The phone line is open daily from 10am to 6pm.

Phone: 0808 196 3651

Free and confidential

For more information please visit:

redcross.org.uk/coronavirus-support-line

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The power of kindness



*Margaretting 2020
Remembrance*



Margaretting C of E Primary School

On 11th November the Year 6 children attended a Remembrance Service lead by Reverend Sally at the Margaretting War Memorial. Reverend Sally held a beautiful tribute to those who had given their lives in the wars. The children joined in with her liturgy and had written emotive poems and prayers, which they all read out at the service. The oldest and youngest child from the year group laid a stunning wreath on the memorial that was made by the Blue Dandelion. All of the children and those back at school observed a 2-minute silence at 11:00am and some members of the community also joined in. It was a fitting service to pay tribute to servicemen and women past and present.





St Margaret's churchyard
In remembrance of
Private Sawyer WW1
and Private Beer WW2
 Visitors to the churchyard placed hand made wreaths, beautifully decorated with pink flowers, at the foot of each of the two CWGC War Graves Memorials.



Margaretting Village Hall

Covid-19 Update

Following the government's announcement for a four week lockdown, from Thursday 5 November to Wednesday 2nd December, the village hall once again had to close its doors to the public and its regular hirers. Reopening the hall in December will depend on government Covid-19 secure guidelines that may be introduced for the run up to Christmas. We very much look forward to being able to welcome back our regular hirers and to rearranging all the events that had to be postponed as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Please keep your eye on the Margaretting Community WhatsApp for further village hall updates. For information about hall bookings please contact Lynn Cameron on: 01277 355575 or 07794 187741. Please be aware that no new bookings are being taken at this time.

Margaretting WhatsApp: This is a community based WhatsApp group for reporting and sharing information that affects all of us. To become a member please send one text to 0797 196 3516; by return you will receive a text with the rules and you just need to reply to this with your name and address. You will then be added to the group.

CHELMSFORD FOOD BANK

The Chelmsford Foodbank were delighted to receive the food items collected from Margaretting School and the Margaretting Church for Harvest Festival. Our primary school has always collected for the Foodbank and I wondered if as a community we could join them with our support?

I will leave a drop box in the porch of my house, **Vicarage, Penny's Lane, Margaretting, CM4 0HA** for your donations, and take them to the Foodbank once a month, or when the box is full.

Food and non food items they are requesting for the Christmas season are:

Squash, tinned ham; iced fruit cake; chocolate log; jars of coffee; sponge puddings; boxes of biscuits; Christmas pudding, long life fruit juice, custard - tins, carton or powered; boxes of chocolates or selection packs; Christmas savoury snacks such as twiglets, crackers Toiletries for men.

Alongside all the other necessary day to day items the Foodbank always need.

With Seasonal Blessings,
Rev. Sally Croft

DECEMBER RECYCLING DATES

Wednesday collections

Food waste - Every Wednesday
Black bin, green box and card sack
Wednesdays 2nd and 16th
Thursday, 31st December
Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons
Wednesdays 9th and 23rd December

Thursday collections

Food waste - Every Thursday
Black bin, green box and card sack
Thursdays 3rd and 17th December
Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons
Thursdays 10th and 24th December

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

To arrange a collection
Telephone 01245 615800

**MOUNTNESSING
RECYCLING CENTRE**
Roman Road, CM4 9AU
open 9am to 4pm every day

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Thank you to everyone who has purchased our jams and chutneys - from the proceeds donations have been given to the following charities: The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal; Essex Dementia Care; Tesco's Food Bank; Margaretting Village Hall and Operation Christmas Child - your support has helped to support others.
Thank you from the Margaretting Friends

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

On Christmas Day we have our final service with Revd Tim Pigrem. It's four years since he first came, at a time of great need for the benefice. Tim brought great experience of parish ministry with him and we have been very fortunate to have him. He has been a great friend to Margaretting Church, winning hearts of parishioners and visitors alike. In addition to Sunday services and special occasions like Remembrance Day he has brought wise counsel to the PCC. We have enjoyed his sermons and his so very gracious character. Tim retires from active duty with us on Christmas Day: I will be looking forward to seeing him then and I am sure many more will too. We are so grateful to him for all he has done for us.

*Timothy Lee, Licensed Lay Minister
Mountnessing, Buttsbury and Margaretting parish churches*

MOBILE LIBRARY Every three weeks on Thursday afternoons. 10th and 31st December - 9:40am to 10:10am in the lay-by in Maldon Road opposite the playing field.

TRUST BUS Margaretting to Ingatestone, Friday mornings leaving the Pond, Main Road at 9.55am, Orton Close at 10.00am and returning from Ingatestone at approximately 11:00am. The Trust bus will run to Tesco on Fridays at 11:15am from Orton Close and returning from Tesco at 1pm.

Please note, the Trust bus is for anyone who needs it, not just for pensioners. Because of insurance terms, passengers must be 'members' and are required to supply their name and address to the driver. Membership is free to passengers.

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