



MARGARETTING NEWS

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2024

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

JANUARY

7th - NO SERVICE
14th - NO SERVICE
21st - 11:15am Holy Communion
28th - NO SERVICE

FEBRUARY

4th - NO SERVICE
11th - NO SERVICE
18th - 11:15am Holy Communion
25th - NO SERVICE

ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9:30am - Family Service (St John's Hall)
NO SERVICE
9:30am - Morning Prayer
9:30am - Candlemas

ST. MARY'S CHURCH BUTTSBURY

8:45am - Holy Communion
NO SERVICE
3:30pm Plough Sunday Service
NO SERVICE
8:45am - Holy Communion
NO SERVICE
3:30pm Lent Evensong
NO SERVICE

Sunday 14th January - Benefice Confirmation Service - Ingatestone Church at 4pm

Everyone is very welcome to join us for any or all of our services
For all enquiries contact Tim Lee - telephone number 01277 216583

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

Terry Dicken

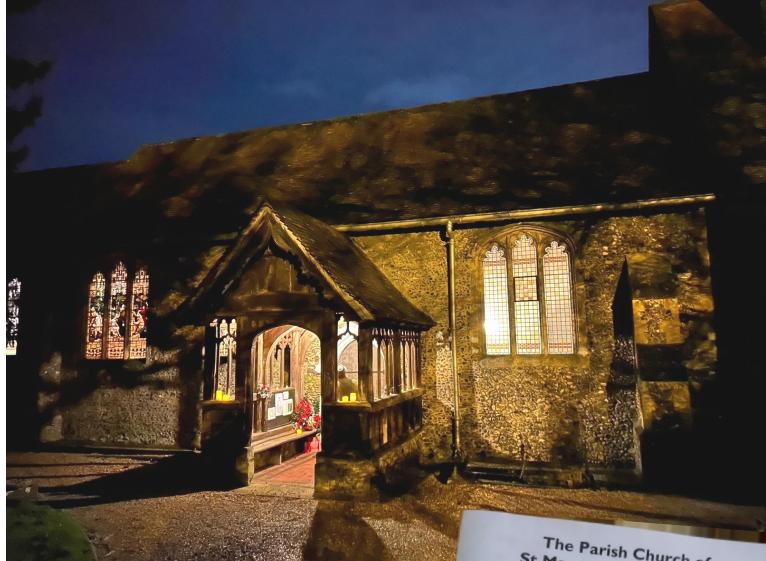
Past and present members of St Margaret's congregation were sorry to hear the sad news that Terry Dicken had died. Terry passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday 19th December. In days gone by, Terry was our church treasurer, church warden, a member of the Parochial Church Council and was in the first group of bell ringers with Les Catterwell. He was also a key fund raiser through organising and running Quiz Nights.

As well as remembering his support for St Margaret's Church we would like to take this opportunity to recognise Terry's contribution to village life. He was a Parish Councillor for many years. He always supported village events and community activities. In the 1990s Terry headed the 'No M12' Committee.

Terry's funeral will take place in St Margaret's church on Tuesday, 9th January at 2:30pm. Our thoughts are with Sue, his two daughters Emma and Clare, his family and many friends.

Supporter's Group

Please consider joining our support network and, by so doing, help contribute to the maintenance of this beautiful church and churchyard. You will be playing your part in the continuing history of this special place and helping to keep the building of St Margaret's safe for future generations to own and enjoy. Membership is £10 per year. Application forms from Penny 01277 356182, Michael 01277 354821 or David 01245 466401



The porch and church decorations were outstanding this year with poinsettia displays, red carnations and Christmas wreaths lit by candlelight. It was a truly special service, with approximately eighty attending, made even more special by singing the seven top favourite carols in Margaretting's WhatsApp poll.

A huge thank you is owed to the flower team for the Christmas decorations - Angela Smith, Chris Elsom, Marilyn Hellings, Elizabeth Hill-Cottingham and Nicola Pearce. Thank you Dawn Anstey for your help and David Anstey for showing car drivers where to park. Most importantly, a special thank you to Gary Sharp for the use of his cattle yard as an overflow carpark. Tonnes of slurry had been moved through the yard that day and Gary's men worked extra hours sweeping the yard clean in time for our Christmas Carol Service. We wish them and everyone a peaceful, happy and healthy New Year.

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MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL

Items discussed at meetings are reported in this newsletter. Once the minutes have been agreed and signed by the parish council chairman a copy of the signed minutes is placed on the notice board outside the parish office at the village hall. The minutes can also be viewed on the parish council page of 'Margaretting.com' (Margaretting's community website). Should you wish to contact the clerk, or one of your parish councillors, their contact details are listed on the notice board outside the parish office. You can also contact the parish council via email parishcouncil.margaretting@outlook.com

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Applications received in November/December

23/01196/FUL El-Rita, Maldon Road

Variation of condition 2 to approved planning application

23/01196/FUL [Change of Use of existing building from storage (use class B8) to class E (office) use, with alterations to fenestration and internal alterations] to change the internal layout and external materials.

23/01844/FUL - The Oaks, Wantz Road

Proposal: Change of use from a stable to a residential dwelling falling within class C3. Alterations to driveway and parking area.

23/01879/FUL - Margaretting Hall, Church Lane.

Proposal: Construction of a detached agricultural worker's dwelling with linked cart lodge and store. Associated parking and amenity areas.

23/01809/FUL - Black Cottage, Main Road

Proposal: Garden room outbuilding and replacement of fence and gate to boundaries.

23/01820/CLEUD - 21, Maldon Road

Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness to regularise commercial use of building as shown in application plan as a workshop for service and repair of vehicles.

23/01734/FUL - Hawthorns, Wantz Road

Proposal: Demolition of existing residential dwelling, commercial buildings and storage areas and construction of four detached dwellings.

Items discussed at the November/December meetings

Margaretting Tye - Post Box in need of re-pointing.

Swan Lane - Identifying/marking up potholes for repairs.

Writtle Road - Bollards outside Barr House.

A12 - Ongoing problems with roadworks.

London Road

Hylands Park parking.

Faulty bulb on the one-way sign opposite Private Road.

Main Road

Felling of copper beech tree by the pond.

Licence to install bollards opposite Bishops Court.

Installation of bench opposite school.

Maldon Road

Request for double yellow lines on the bend opposite Parsonage Lane to be repainted.

Maldon Road Playing Field

Allotments (lack of interest from neighbouring villages) Replacing the bench and reducing the height of the conifers.

Village Hall

Farley and Wood family benches.

Cricket Club to use an existing concrete base to erect shed.

Chip van not allowed to use the car park without permission

Inspection of tables/chairs, fire extinguishers, guttering/roof

Precept 2024/25 - Set at £12,420 (the same as last year).

Accounts: The following expenditure was agreed:

H Blurton £25 (Poppy Wreath)

C.C.C £50 (Lease - Maldon Road Playing Field)

C. Kochan £500 (wages and expenses)

Dates for next meeting: Thursday, 11 January, 8 February

Margaretting Horticultural Village Fête

Happy New Year to you all,

We hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to the year ahead.

January is one of the coldest months which does not always help motivate us to get out into the garden but you can start sowing seeds indoors and plan what you might grow in the coming months. Please keep putting out food and water for the birds and wildlife as they will be finding it hard. It won't be long before the days are getting longer. As we move into February you can start to chit your potatoes and watch the early Spring bulbs appear and divide large clumps of snowdrops while still in leaf.

We are looking forward to our fete this year. We hope to have some new exhibits and activities for our visitors to enjoy. This event has been a large part of the village year since 1946, it is a fete for the community so please do get in contact if you have any suggestions on how we can improve the day, either out on the field or in the exhibition hall.

We would like to hear from you.

We are always very grateful for any donations towards the raffle and tombola prizes. Also, any crockery no longer wanted that we could use for our popular 'Crockery Smash'. Many thanks. Email: margarettingfunday1946@gmail.com

Lorna Cannon

Pearson National Teaching Awards 2023 Teaching Assistant of the Year

Lorna Cannon, Margaretting Church of England Primary School

In her 20 years of working at Margaretting Church of England Primary School, Lorna Cannon has "transformed the school with her creative flair," making "hundreds of bright displays that proudly show off the children's work." Some of her resources "have been so successful, they are now being used across the school trust."

Diary Date - Saturday, 1st June 7pm - St Margaret's Church
Jazzy Boys - hosted by St Margaret's Supporters Group - playing jazz on a summer evening. Details to be published nearer the date.

MARGARETTING POND GROUP

If anyone has time to lend a hand at one of our pond maintenance sessions which take place at 9:30am on the last Sunday of each month please contact Tom Davey on the Margaretting Village Pond WhatsApp 0737 537 3804





Christmas Carol Decorations
Maldon Road Tree Carving
Photos taken by Di, Jim Rob
and Penny



MARGARETTING FRIENDS Village Coffee Mornings

Come and enjoy a cuppa, cake and chatter with
neighbours and friends.
Saturday 13th January and Saturday 10th February
10am–12 noon
All Welcome



MARGARETTING CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

We cannot believe it is now the Spring Term – what a fantastic Autumn Term we have had! Lots of children took part in sporting tournaments and we are proud of how our Key Stage 2 children performed in cross country and boccia sporting competitions. Some of our pupils also had the opportunity to attend a festive dance workshop, which was great fun. In the classrooms, the children had some wonderful experiences too! The EYFS and Year 1/2 children worked really hard on their nativity and performed to their parents and the rest of the school. It was wonderful to see all the children sing and act with such confidence. Year 3/4 looked at the effects of different liquids on teeth in science and Year 5/6 learnt about micro-organisms.

In November, the school performed 'Carols by Candlelight' at Chelmsford Cathedral. This was with our friends and colleagues from Ford End and Roxwell Primary Schools. It was a special evening and we are so proud of how confident the children were.

All the children made some wonderful Christmas crafts to sell at the Christmas Fair and the older children supported the event on the day. The children also enjoyed making cards for our neighbours and people in our local community.

Margarettting Primary School is also pleased to announce Mrs Cannon was announced as the gold winner for the Teaching Assistant of the Year at the 2023 Pearson National Teaching Awards. We are really proud of Mrs Cannon and all the work that she does for the school.

The applications are now open for Reception applications for September 2024. If you, or anyone you know, would like to come and visit our school to enquire about a place, then please call the office on 01277 352114.

Wishing you and your families a very Happy New Year.

*Mrs Melissa Taylor (Executive Headteacher) and
Mrs Sarah Kirk (Head of School)*

MARGARETTING BOOK CLUB

We enjoyed 'After The Fall' by Charity Norman. This book was a Richard & Judy and World Book Night title. Set in New Zealand it is about a UK family making a fresh start which goes very badly wrong. We gave it a four star rating and agreed we would like to read more Charity Norman books. We are currently reading 'The Mountain Between Us' by Charles Martin and 'The History of Bees' by Maja Lunde. Margarettting book club meets once a month on a weekday afternoon. If you would like to know more about the book club please contact Penny on 01277 356182.

CAMEO CLUB

November's lunch in the Red Lion went down a treat! Our time together was made all the more enjoyable by the first class attention received from Mo. In December we met in Penny's home for a Christmas quiz, carols, lunch and a 'Secret Santa'. At the time of 'going to press' we have not confirmed our January and February meeting dates.

If you are interested in joining our group or would like more information please contact Rosemary on 01277 350553.

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

For further information about this group, its activities and fund raising projects please telephone Lynn on 01277 355575

MARGARETTING WHATSAPP

This is a community WhatsApp group for reporting and sharing information that affects all of us. To become a member please send one text to 0797 196 3516

VILLAGE WALKS

Footpath maps, in clear plastic wallets, with details of four local walks are available free from the parish council.



MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

What's on January 2024

Aerobics 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 17th, 24th
 Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
 Barn Dance 6pm - Saturday 13th
 Chelmsford Beekeepers 7.30pm Main Hall & Meeting Room – Tuesday 16th
 Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon Main Hall - Saturday 13th
 Dance to Fitness 9.30am – 11.30am - Main Hall – Wednesday 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st
 Dog Training 5pm - Main Hall - Tuesday 2nd, Monday 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
 Essex Budgerigars 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 3rd
 Flower Arranging 11am – 1pm Chelmer Room – Thursday 11th, 25th
 Loose Threads 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 14th
 Margaretting Relief in Need 8pm Meeting Room – Monday 29th
 Margaretting Village Hall Committee meeting 7.30pm Meeting Room - Tuesday 9th
 Rock and Roll Club 7.30pm - Friday 26th
 Simply Power Pilates 7-8pm – Main Hall – Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
 Variety Band practice 7.30pm – Wednesday 10th

What's on February 2024

Aerobics 6-7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 21st
 Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd
 Remote Control Car Racing 5pm - 10pm Main Hall - Friday 2nd
 Chelmsford Beekeepers 7pm Main Hall - Tuesday 20th, 27th
 Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon Main Hall - Saturday 10th
 Dance to Fitness 9.30am – 11.30am - Main Hall – Wednesday 7th, 14th
 Dog Training 5pm Main Hall - Monday 5th, 12th, 19th 26th - Tuesday 6th
 Essex Budgerigars 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 7th
 Flower Arranging 11am – 1pm Chelmer Room – Thursday 8th, 22nd
 Loose Threads 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 11th
 Simply Power Pilates 7-8pm Main Hall – Thursday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
 Variety Band Practice 7.30pm Chelmer Room - Wednesday 14th

For further information please contact the Booking Secretary on:
07794 187741 or margarettingvhbookings@gmail.com

Life Drawing Classes
Writtle Village Hall

Held on alternate Friday mornings during term time.
 If you are interested in joining a life drawing class,
 please contact Susan Keeble for further details.
 Email: susankeeble2@gmail.com Tel: 01277 353973
 website: www.susankeeble-artist.com

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY RECYCLING DATES

Wednesday collections

Food waste - every Wednesday
Black bin, green box and card sack
 10th, 24th January. 7th, 21st February
Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons
 3rd 17th 31st January 14th 28th February

Thursday collections

Food waste - every Thursday
Black bin, green box and card sack
 11th, 25th January. 8th, 22nd February
Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons
 4th, 18th January. 1st 15th 29th February

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Telephone 01245 615800

Parish Councillors - Contact Details

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Caroline Kochan (Clerk) 0786 402 5948
Ian Grundy (City Councillor)
 Email: i.grundy@chelmsford.gov.uk

Ingatestone Circle Dance

Ingatestone Parish Room, Stock Lane
 4th Monday of month 2:30pm – 4:30pm
 New members welcome
 Contact: Janet Shedel Telephone: 01277 352213
 Email: bryanshedel@googlemail.com

Brentwood Organ and Keyboard Club - Mountnessing Village Hall

Tuesday afternoons (usually the 4th Tuesday) Concerts start at 2.15pm (doors 1.45pm)
 Entry at the door is £5 for members, £7 for guests (cash please) includes interval refreshments
 Concerts are performed by a different professional every month using their own keyboard system
 Many styles and genres are played. 25th January Chris Jones 27th February Andrew Nix
 For more information visit www.organfax.co.uk/clubs/brentwood

MOBILE LIBRARY Every three weeks on Thursday afternoons - 18th January and 8th February 9:40 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 to Margaretting at approximately 11:00am.
 Margaretting to Tesco. Fridays at 11:15am from Orton Close and returning from Tesco at 1pm

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