



MARGARETTING NEWS

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

JANUARY

5th - NO SERVICE
12th - NO SERVICE
19th - NO SERVICE
26th - NO SERVICE

FEBRUARY

2nd - NO SERVICE
9th - NO SERVICE
16th - NO SERVICE
23rd - NO SERVICE

ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9:30am - Family Service
9:30am - Holy Communion
9:30am - Morning Prayer
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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 Creation Service
NO SERVICE

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

Christmas Carol Service 2024

Our heartfelt thanks to Gary Sharp for the use of his farm's cattle yard as an overflow carpark. Attended by over 100 people this year's carol service was truly special - made even more special by our local primary school choir singing two traditional carols, a popular Christmas song and a solo performance by their music teacher John Pierce, a professional singer. The evening ended with everyone enjoying servings of mulled wine and mince pies.

The porch and church decorations were outstanding with poinsettia displays, red carnations and Christmas wreaths lit by candlelight. Angela Smith would like to thank the members of the flower team - Dawn Anstey, Wilhelmina Barrett, Rebecca Ebbrell, Chris Elsom, Elizabeth Hill-Cottingham, Jan McTurk, Nicola Pearce - for helping her and decorating St Margaret's church so beautifully this year.

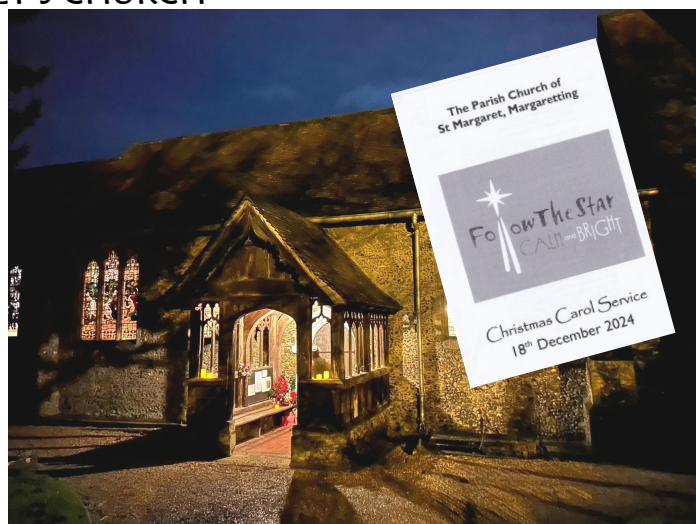
Church Services 2025

In 2025, due to the low numbers of people attending the monthly Sunday services in 2024, we will be holding services on festival and special days only. The first service in 2025 will be held on Sunday, 16th March at 11am - this is the second Sunday in Lent.

Please be assured the church will still be available for baptisms, weddings and funerals.

St Margaret's Church Supporter's Group

All help will be greatly appreciated in maintaining the church yard.. For more information please contact Michael 01277 354821, David 01245 466401 or Penny 07749 880 512.



WE WISH ALL OUR READERS

A peaceful, happy and healthy New Year

A special thank you to the Beresford Ingatestone office 'photocopying' team, Paul Beresford for his continuing support, and to all our distributors for delivering the newsletters.

Coptfold Estate - Caroline Kochan

Ivy Barn Lane - Roger Goodwin

Killigrews - Beryl Hayes. **London Road** - Tamsin Green

Main Road - Marion Downey, Penny Savill, Michael Scott

Maldon Road/Parsonage Lane - Pauline Gumble, Richard

Gunn, Teresa Paoli-Burke, Di Smith, Petra and Peter Trick

Orton Close - Lynn Cameron and Angie Kelly

Pennys Lane - Mark Smith. **Private Road** - Andy Wallace

The Tye - Sheila and Harry Blurton

Wantz Road and Writtle Road - John Berry

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Diary Dates - Margaretting Village Hall

Saturday 8th February 7:30pm An evening of dance and music

To book tickets contact Lorna Cannon

Tel: 07873 366166 Email: lornacannon400@gmail.com

Saturday 22nd February 10:30am - 1:00pm Coffee morning

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

24/01591/FUL: 2, Brook Cottages, Margaretting Tye
Retrospective application for the change of use land to garden land including the removal of fence, trampoline and pergola.

80/1450/S73: Martins Farm, Margaretting Tye
Removal of condition 4 to approved planning applications 80/1450 (Extensions and alterations (excluding rear porch) as per letter dated 20th October 1980). To remove the agricultural occupancy condition

24/01540/CLEUD: The Briars, Pennys Lane
Certificate of lawfulness to regularise the use of site for use Class C3 purposes for use as a single dwelling house, including use of static caravan and outbuilding unit for purposes that are incidental to the use of the dwelling house.

24/01536/CLOPUD: 17, Maldon Road
Rear first floor extension with alteration to fenestration.

Planning Decisions received in November/December

24/01219/FUL: Longcroft, Maldon Road
Two storey rear extension. Addition of a dormer window. New front bay window with pitched roof. External alterations. Application refused

24/01277/FUL: Eastfield Farm, Main Road
Retrospective application for a replacement building in lieu of existing buildings for purposes ancillary to building contractor's yard. Application Refused

24/01146/FUL: Baskervilles, Roman Road
Demolition of existing commercial kennels and cattery buildings and residential dwelling. Redevelopment of the site comprising of seven dwellings Application Refused

24/00398/OUT : Tanridge, Maldon Road
Outline application for the demolition of all existing buildings and structures on the site and the construction of six new residential dwellings with access road, gardens and off street parking. Layout and scale being sought, all other matters (Access, appearance and landscaping) reserved.

Application Granted

24/01309/FUL: Wells Farm, Ivy Barn Lane

Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of single storey front, side and rear extensions. Addition of first floor balconies. Temporary site access to main dwelling during construction phase. Application Granted

24/01228/FUL: Coppers, Pennys Lane

Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of single storey front, side and rear extensions. Addition of first floor balconies. Loft conversion with rear dormer. Internal and external alterations. Widening of existing driveway.

Application Granted

Accounts: The following expenditure has been agreed:

Bartletts Trees	£744
Margaretting PCC	£600
M D Landscapes	£268
C.C.C (Playing field lease)	£50
A. Wallace (Chairman's honorarium)	£50
H Blurton (Poppy Wreath)	£ 25

Precept 2025/26 - £14,420 (an increase of £2,000).

The following matters have been noted and discussed

Allotments. Unworked allotments to be strimmed once the vegetation dies down.

Cross Roads. The triangle garden area has been tidied. Village signs to be jet washed.

Cllr Grundy's funeral. Cllr Blurton to attend.

Land adjacent to Whitewebs Cottage. Black Bull licensee to be contacted regarding clearing the dumped rubbish.

Maldon Playing Field. No reported problems.

Notices needed for the new notice board.

Pond. Margaretting Relief in Need to provide a Christmas Tree for grass verge.

Rights of Way. Problems with dog fouling on footpath 22

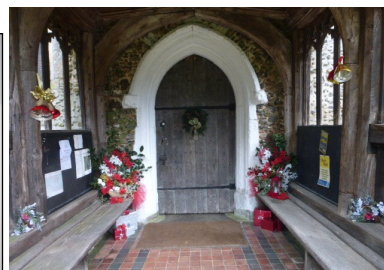
Village Hall hire rates. New rates to come into force in the new year.

Village Hall Playing Field. School enquiry regarding use of field and associated risk assessment.

War memorial. In need of a clean and overhaul. The weeping pear trees have been pruned.



War Memorial - Remembrance Sunday



St Margaret's Church

We would be pleased to receive your photos of village events or village scenes

MARGARETTING RELIEF IN NEED TRUST

Registered Charity No. 212117

The trust continues to support local charities. In December 2024 a donation of £1,000 was made to Sanctus, a brilliant charity in Chelmsford which supports the homeless and vulnerable people in Essex. We are proud to say that our donation will be used to fund Saturday opening of the Support Hub.

We have also increased our fund with Essex Community Foundation which will in turn lead to a larger donation being made to a local charity that has sought funding through the ECF. In the past we have donated to organisations such as Chelmsford Community Transport Ltd, Mencap, North Avenue Youth Club to name but a few. The Trustees hope that all the community had a Happy Christmas and enjoyed the Christmas Tree which was bought from our funds.

If there are any residents of Margaretting who are struggling this winter, maybe due to the loss of the winter fuel allowance or just the general cost of living crisis, please do get in touch with our clerk, Christine Deacon, to see whether we can assist you in some way.

Tel: 07766 224197

Email: christinedeacon50@hotmail.com

All applications will be treated in the strictest confidence.

MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

Last November the village hall held a much needed event for the village community to raise funds to keep the hall open. What a night we had; a brilliant turn out of 100 people all enjoying a fun evening of horse racing.

The event would not have been possible without the many donations and wonderful raffle prizes and the sponsorship of companies in the village - Elliott Land Rovers, Core Construction, Ingatestone Saddlery Centre, S J Upton Farms, A Wallace Services, Gurton Holmes Bespoke Windows, UPR Scaffolding and Gerard Joseph. Thanks are owed to The Black Bull for running a brilliant bar and The Deli in Ingatestone for the wonderful portable Pizza oven.

The total raised is an amazing amount of £2,439. This will help to keep the hall open for the next 18 months. A raffle held at the Christmas coffee morning has raised another £153 - many thanks to the Star in Ingatestone for the prizes. It's all very much appreciated in keeping the hall open for the community.

I would like to thank all the helpers, especially Zoe Gurton, Lorna Cannon, Angela Smith and Penny Savill.

Di Smith Village Hall Chairperson

MARGARETTING BOOK CLUB

Margaretting book club meets once a month on a weekday afternoon. If you would like to know more about the book club please contact Penny Savill 07749 880512.

The two books we are currently reading are 'The Crooked House' by Agatha Christie and 'Behind The Scenes At The Museum' by Kate Atkinson.

We have just read 'The Lilac Girls of Ravensbrück' by Martha Hall Kelly and decided not to choose any more World War II stories. The novel, based on true events, explores the themes of hope, sacrifice and forgiveness in the face of injustice and impossible and harrowing circumstances.

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

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 with gardening, however, you can begin sowing seeds indoors and plan what you may well 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 79th annual fete this year

We hope to have some new exhibits and activities for our visitors to enjoy. This event has been a feature on the village calendar year since 1946, it is a fete for the community and we are grateful for your support 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.

Email: margarettingfunday1946@gmail.com *Lorna Cannon*

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH SUPPORTERS GROUP

Please consider joining our support network and 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. More information and application forms from Penny 07749 880512, Michael 01277 354821 or David 01245 466401.

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH BELLS

At midnight on 31st December we rang in the new year and fired the bells (struck them all at once) which is an ancient tradition to drive the evil spirits away so all will be well in 2025. Happy New Year. *Michael Scott on behalf of the bell ringers*

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 07971 963516

FREE OR CHEAP STUFF

Margaretting has a WhatsApp chat group for members of the community to sell, swap or gift unwanted items.

If you would like to join the group please send a text to 07495 442669.

IN MEMORIAM

EDNA BALDOCK 21/08/1938 - 14/11/2025

With great sadness we inform you of the death of a much respected long-standing local resident Edna Baldock (née Watts). Edna was born and lived in Margaretting all her life. Before she married she lived with her five brothers and sisters on the Coptfold Estate. After her marriage Edna and her husband Dave moved to Ivy Barn Lane and later to 15 Orton Close when the houses were first built. Edna lived at that address for the rest of her life.

Always a keen supporter of village events Edna became an active member of the village hall committee and during the time the new village hall was built helped raise the many thousands of pounds needed to pay for it.

In her later life Edna could be seen every week litter picking in the village with her sister Eva Wood.

Our thoughts are with Dawn and Stephen - Edna's daughter and son - Eva and all the family, neighbours and friends.

MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

What's on January 2025

Aerobics - 7pm - Main Hall - Wednesday 15th, 22nd
 Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st
 Chelmsford Beekeepers - 7pm - 10pm Main Hall - Tuesday 14th
 Classical Voices - 2pm - 6pm Main Hall - Sunday 19th
 Dance to Fitness – 9.30am – 11.30am - Main Hall – Tuesday 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th and Wednesday 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
 Dog Training – 5pm - Main Hall - Monday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th Tuesday 7th
 Essex Budgerigars – 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 8th
 Essex Woodcarvers - 9am - 4pm Main Hall - Sunday 5th
 Flower Arranging – 11am – 1pm Main Hall – Thursday 16th, 23rd, 30th
 GCI Church - 1pm - 3pm Chelmer Room - Sunday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
 GCI Church - 7pm - 10pm Chelmer Room - Tuesday 7th, 21st
 Horticultural Committee meeting – 7.30pm Meeting Room - Wednesday 8th
 Loose Threads – 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 12th
 Village Hall Committee meeting – 7.30pm Meeting Room - Tuesday 7th
 Pawfect Friends Cynophobia - 6.15pm - 7.45pm Main Hall - Thursday 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

What's on February 2025

Aerobics - 7pm - Main Hall - Wednesday 19th
 Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
 Chelmsford Remote Control Car Racing – 5pm-10pm Main Hall - Friday 7th
 Chelmsford Beekeepers - 7pm Chelmer Room - Tuesday 11th, Main Hall - Tuesday 18th
 Village Hall Book Party - 10.30am - 1pm Main Hall - Saturday 22nd
 Dance to Fitness – 9.30am – 11.30am - Main Hall – Tuesday 4th, 11th, 25th Wednesday 5th, 12th, 26th
 Dog Training – 5pm Main Hall - Monday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th - Tuesday 4th
 Essex Budgerigars – 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 5th
 Essex Woodcarvers - 9am - 4pm Main Hall - Sunday 2nd
 An Evening of Music and Dance - 7pm - Saturday 8th
 Flower Arranging - 11am - 1pm Main Hall - Thursday 6th, 13th
 Loose Threads – 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 9th
 Village Hall Committee meeting – 7.30pm Meeting Room - Tuesday 4th
 Pawfect Friends Cynophobia - 6.15pm - 7.45pm Main Hall - Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
 Starlight Theatre Group- 10am-3pm Main Hall-Wednesday 19th Thursday 20th
 Variety Band practice – 7.30pm Main Hall – Wednesday 12th

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

An evening of music and dance!

Saturday 8th February 2025

At Margarett Village Hall, Wantz Road, Margarett, CM4 0EP

**Music with
A Bluegrass Band**

**The Dance Displays include:
Ballet, Tap, Jazz and a Hoedown**

You are cordially invited to this wonderful evening of music and dance in aid of raising funds for Margarett Village Hall.

**Doors open 7pm
Performance begins 7:30pm**

Raffle Prize Draw

**£10 a ticket,
includes refreshments**



Please call, text or email Lorna for more information and to book tickets on 07873366166 or lornacannon400@gmail.com

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY RECYCLING DATES

Wednesday collections

Food waste - every Wednesday
Black bin, green box and card sack
 9th, 22nd January
 5th, 19th February

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

3rd 15th 29th January
 12th, 26th February

Thursday collections

Food waste - every Thursday
Black bin, green box and card sack
 10th, 23rd January
 6th, 20th February

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

4th, 16th, 30th January
 13th 27th February

Margarett Village Hall Fundraising event



**Saturday 22nd February
10:30 - 1:00**

The village hall needs a makeover, come along for a tea and tabletop event to help raise the much needed funds

Join us for:

Homemade cakes
 Sausage rolls

Tea, coffee, hot chocolate

Browse our books, dvds and records
 Buy some handmade soap and lotion

Homemade local honey

Treat yourself to a plant or two

Wantz Road, Margarett, CM4 0EP

Mountnessing Village Hall

Brentwood Organ and Keyboard Club

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

**28th January Chris Stanbury
 25th February David Harrild**

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