



# MARGARETTING NEWS

## May 2016

### BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES IN APRIL

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING	ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING	ST. MARY'S CHURCH BUTTSBURY
1st May 11.00am Parish Communion	9.30am Morning Prayer 6.00pm Evening Communion	8.45am Holy Communion
8th May No Service	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Matins
15th May 11.00am Parish Communion	9.30am Morning Prayer	3.30pm Evensong with Communion
22nd May No Service	9.30am Parish Communion	3.30pm Evensong
29th May BENEFICE SERVICE - CHORAL EVENSONG AT BUTTSBURY -	3.30pm	EVENSONG WITH THE VESPERS SINGERS

Everyone is very welcome to join us for any or all of our services

**For all enquiries contact Revd Celia - mobile telephone number 0784 215 1387**

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY - Who am I?

Who am I? What a great song from the musical when the question is asked 'who am I'. Well surely we all know who we are don't we, but where then do we find our true identity? Is it perhaps in our work, in what we do, or in our family.

Sometimes in life something happens which turns these things upside down and we are challenged to ask ourselves this important question 'who am I'.

The other week there was a very public example of this when Archbishop Justin Welby discovered that the man he thought to be his father was not. So his natural father was a man whom he never met, something like this puts

the question into very sharp focus. His response when asked publicly about this was very profound when he stated I know my Father in Heaven and my identity is found in who I am in Jesus Christ.

So here is the challenge for each one of us do we know who we are if asked the question. Do we know our Father in Heaven, do we know that we are made in his image, loved unconditionally and precious in his sight.

Do we know that we are each part of God's family his children, his sons and daughters.

May we all discover these truths for ourselves and then find that our true identity is in Jesus Christ.

*Every blessing, Revd Celia*

### BLACK BULL COFFEE MORNING

**Tuesday, 10th May 10am to 12 noon**

You are invited to a coffee morning being held in aid of the Queen's 90th birthday celebration.

Cakes and donations for the raffle would be appreciated.

Do come along to the Black Bull and enjoy a cuppa with neighbours and friends and catch up with local news.

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#### DIARY DATES

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VILLAGE HALL (Chelmer Room) - 7.30pm

**QUEEN'S 90TH CELEBRATION - Sunday, 12th June**

Margaretting Village Hall - 3pm to 8pm

**FAMILY FUN DAY - Saturday, 9th July**

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St Margaret's Church - 7:30pm

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - Saturday, 19th November**

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EVERYBODY IS INVITED  
TO THE QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION  
BRING AND SHARE PICNIC 'STREET PARTY'

To be held at the village hall from 3pm to 8pm  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Non Stop Entertainment for all the family

Bring your own picnic and drinks.

Tea, coffee and squash will be provided courtesy of Margaretting Friends.

Hog Roast - £2 per person - must be pre-booked.

Please telephone June Moore (01277 356126) April Nixon (01277 354557)  
Penny Savill (01277 356182) Suzie Wood (07989 459947) for 'pre-booked' tickets.

Tickets will also be available at the Margaretting Friends coffee morning  
in the Chelmer Room at the village hall  
on Saturday, 21st May (10am to 12 noon)

Some table and chairs will be set out  
however bring your own picnic table and chairs if you can so we do not run out!

Well behaved dogs on leads welcome.

## VILLAGE COMPETITIONS

### BIRTHDAY CARD COMPETITION

Young people in the village are invited to design a birthday card for Queen Elizabeth.

The whole nation will wish the Queen a 'Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday' this year. Make your own unique contribution by designing your own birthday card for Her Majesty.

To reflect her distinctive style, humour and grace, the design limits are only that it should be on A4 card, folded in half.

Let your imagination flow freely with paint, drawing or collage – the choice is yours.



There are four age categories:

Age 5 and under, Age 6-7, Age 8-9, Age 10-12.

Entries to be handed in to Margaretting Primary School by 12 noon on Friday 3rd June 2016.

Entries will be judged by an independent judge on the 6th June 2016.

The winners will be announced at the Margaretting Village Hall on the 12th June and presented with Gift Tokens. All entries will be on display. Good Luck!

### KINGS & QUEENS FANCY HAT PARADE

Make a hat to represent the theme 'kings and queens through the ages'. Fancy Hat Parade and judging to take place at the village hall at 3pm on Sunday 12th June.

Open to everyone. No age limit!

The four age ranges include adults and children.

5 years and under; 6 -10 years old; 11-15 years old; 16 years and over.

Winners will be presented with prizes.

### SCARECROW COMPETITION

Open to anyone living or working in Margaretting or has family connections in Margaretting. Scarecrows to represent the theme 'kings and queens through the ages'. Display your scarecrow in your front garden on Sunday, 5th June 2016. Entries must be displayed by 2pm as judging will take place from 2.30pm onwards AND your scarecrow must be in-situ all week from Sunday, 5th to Sunday, 12th June. You may place your scarecrow on the property of another resident with their permission. Prizes will be awarded to the creators of the scarecrow, not the owners of the location.

Prize money - 1st place £35 2nd Place £15

The closing date for entry forms is Saturday, 21st May.

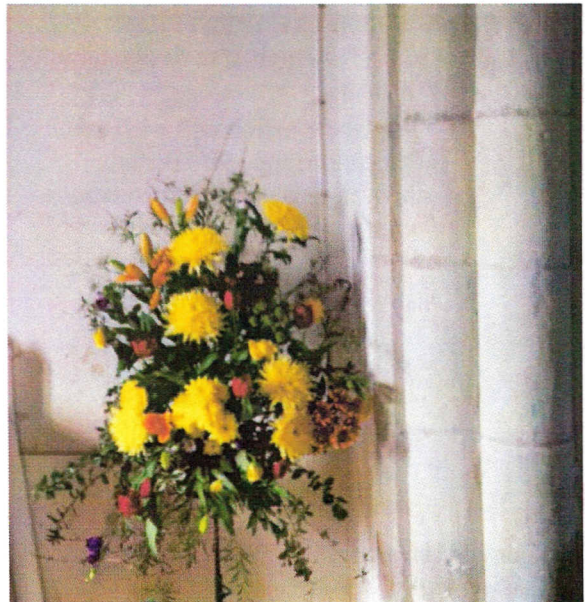
If you would like to make a scarecrow but have mislaid your entry form please email or telephone Penny Savill for another form. Contact details on back page.

# ST MARGARET'S EASTER FLOWERS

May I say thank everybody, so much, for the wonderful response to my appeal for donations towards the Easter Lily Fund. I must also thank all the ladies who gave up their time on Good Friday to arrange flowers and make the church look so lovely. *Margaret Boxall*



The floral displays this Easter were outstanding. These photographs taken by Mike Parkes show just a few of the floral arrangements. Every pillar and window was decorated. We are so lucky in our church to have such brilliant flower arrangers. The church looked beautiful. The arrangement on the door was truly innovative and stunning - an Easter Wreath of spring flowers, Easter chicks and egg shells. A lovely welcome to our Easter worship Service.



## FIDELIO SINGERS - ST MARGARET'S CHURCH - SATURDAY, 16 JULY

This choir of talented ladies will be singing in St Margaret's Church on the evening of Saturday, 16th July. 'LADIES ONLY - GENTLEMEN IF YOU PLEASE!' is the title of their concert - a small hint maybe that we can expect an amusing concert? Admission £10 by concert programme only.

Programmes with concert details are available from Valerie Frost (01245 466401); Penny Savill (01277 356182) and Michael Scott (01277 354821). The Fidelio Singers (alternatively known as 'The Fids') was formed in 1977. The 'Fids' have had notable success singing in many major Cathedrals and other prestigious venues such as the Royal Albert Hall and St Martins in the Field.

## FOND FAREWELL - FRIDAY, 15 APRIL

Dear All

I am letting you know that today is my last day as a PCSO.

This has happened a bit more suddenly than I had expected as this has only been confirmed today. I am staying within Essex Police but have taken a role as a Court Presentation Officer within the Safer Roads Partnership Department. I shall miss the role having worked as a PCSO for 10 years, but the time is right for a change.

I would just like to thank you all for your warm welcome to the beat four years ago, it has been a pleasure to work in your communities and I hope that the future is bright for you all.

Kind regards, Jemma. Police Community Support Officer 71018

## OVER 60S CLUB

This year's AGM, took place on Wednesday, 13 April in the Black Bull. It was attended by thirteen members. Before the meeting we enjoyed an excellent Black Bull fish and chip lunch. After the meeting we all stayed on and played our regular bingo and raffle games.

This month it's back to the village hall as usual! We have Rosemary's talk on 'Captive in East Anglia' on Wednesday, 11 May and a quiz organised by Don and Rosemary on Wednesday, 25 May. New members are welcome. Our meetings start at 2pm and are held on alternate Wednesdays in the village hall. For more information contact June or Don Moore on 01277 356126.

## MARGARETTING BOOK CLUB

Two books were reviewed in April - Robert Harris's 'An Officer and Spy' and Stephen Fry's autobiography 'Moab is my Washpot'.

'An Officer and Spy' is a brilliant retelling of a scandal that became one of the most famous miscarriages of justice in France. Robert Harris is a master storyteller and on a scale of 1 to 5 stars with 5 being the highest we gave it 5 stars. Those of us who managed to read all 436 pages of Stephen Fry's account of his first twenty years thought his book worth 3½ stars. We agreed we would like to read a sequel if there is one.

Our chosen book for May is 'The Poisonwood Bible' by Barbara Kingsolver. If you would like more information about the book club please contact Penny on 01277 356182.

## EASTERN ANGLES

### 'SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND'

We went into the empty village hall - all bare. Later a small van arrived and the space became full of bits and pieces that all came together into a stage set for a play based on events in East Anglia during the Second World War. The hall hummed with drama, tension, singing, love and racism. It was a wonderful experience and after seeing it one could never be racist. It was a sellout and we had to turn people away.

Later that night the hall was bare again. Wait until next year. *Michael Scott*

PS While all this was going on we had a visit from the The Stage Magazine critic to review the play, which is quite an honour. I have requested a copy of the review.

*Thanks are due to Michael and Jennie Scott for this year's Eastern Angles visit and to all their helpers for the arrangements during the evening.*

## MARGARETTING CRAFTERS

This new craft group commenced on Monday, 4 April with an encouraging start of ten people. We had a very good meeting and hope to meet again in the Chelmer Room at the village hall on Monday, 9 May at 7.30pm when we will have a demonstration of Tunisian Crochet.

See back page for more information.

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Our speaker for April was Pat - a representative from the Chelmsford Talking Newspaper. This is a SPOKEN local news and information service for blind and partially sighted people in Chelmsford. Through Pat we heard how a team of dedicated volunteers records a spoken version of the Essex Chronicle each week. Our coffee mornings held in the Chelmer Room on the 3rd Saturday of each month are becoming more and more popular. If you fancy dropping in for a toasted tea cake, cup of tea or coffee you will be sure of a very warm welcome. Funds raised through the coffee mornings are for the benefit of the community. The Friends' latest donation, for the benefit of village, is the purchase of a new hand dryer for the Chelmer Room's WC.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of every month at 7.30pm. Contact Lynn on 01277 355575 for more information.

## FAMILY FUN DAY - SATURDAY 9 JULY

Don't forget to save this date in your diary. This year's event is the 70th anniversary of the village show first held in 1946. If anyone has any memories, mementoes or photographs of the show taken in 'olden times' that they would be prepared to lend for display on Saturday, 9 July the planning team and Julie would love to hear from them.

Saturday, 9 July promises to be a good afternoon out with lots to do and see. As usual we will have a 'fly past'. This year a Lancaster! Also, the popular scruffy dog competition and the Tug of War. We would like more people to get involved in the Tug of War competition this year. Get a 'works team' or a 'friends team' together and let Julie know so she can add to the ones who have already put their names forward.

If anyone has anything they'd like to donate in advance, i.e. raffle prizes, tombola items, bottles etc. then please give them to Julie in the Black Bull. Also, please contact Julie if you are able to help on the day.

For more information about this year's Family Fun Day visit our Facebook page **Margaretting Family Fun Day**. This is updated as and when the attractions are booked.

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## What's on in May

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated.

### Mondays

Pilates 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> - 9.30 – 10.30am Main Hall; 7 – 8pm Main Hall –  
No Pilates on 2<sup>nd</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holidays  
Yoga 8.15 – 9.15pm Main Hall (no Yoga on Bank Holidays)  
Crafters 9<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room – New group – all welcome  
Margaretting Friends – 16<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room – All welcome

### Tuesdays

Art Class – 10am -12 noon & 2-4pm - Chelmer Room (No Art class 31<sup>st</sup>)  
Yoga – 1.30pm – 3pm – Main Hall (No Yoga 31<sup>st</sup>)  
Parish Assembly - 10th - 7.30pm - Chelmer Room  
Barnraisers – 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am – 12 noon – Meeting Room  
Combat Academy – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> – 7-9pm – Main Hall – Self-defence  
MS Society 31<sup>st</sup> - 7pm – Main Hall

### Wednesdays

Over 60's Club – 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> – 2 - 4pm - Main Hall  
Dance to Fitness – 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall  
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French Class – 10am – 12 noon – Meeting Room  
Aerobics – 25<sup>th</sup> – 7-8pm – Main Hall  
Archery Club meeting- 4<sup>th</sup> – 8pm Chelmer Room  
Village Hall Committee AGM – 11<sup>h</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room

### Thursdays

Art Class – 10am – 12 noon - Chelmer Room  
Pilates 9.30 – 10.30am - Main Hall (No Pilates 5<sup>th</sup> due to elections)  
Parish Council meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> – Meeting Room 7.30pm  
Jazz Band practice – 19<sup>th</sup> – 7pm - Chelmer Room  
Police and Crime Commissioner Election - 5th – 7am – 10pm - Main Hall

### Fridays

Barnraisers – 9.30am – 12 noon – Main Hall

### Saturdays

Pilates - 28<sup>th</sup> – 9.30 – 11am – Main Hall  
Village Coffee Morning – 21<sup>st</sup> - 10am – 12 noon – Chelmer Room  
Parish Council Surgery – 21<sup>st</sup> – 10.30am – 12 noon - Parish Office  
Pirouette School of Dance – 21<sup>st</sup> -8.30am – 1pm – Main Hall

### Sundays

Hindu Dharma Society – 1<sup>st</sup> - 4pm – 11pm – Main Hall  
Cycle Event – 15<sup>th</sup> – 8.30am – 6pm – Chelmer Room  
Garden Furniture Sale – 22<sup>nd</sup> – 9am – 6pm – Main Hall  
Loose Threads Patchwork Group – 8<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am – 6pm – Main Hall

**For further details or queries for private functions  
contact April Nixon (Booking Secretary) on 07794 187741**

### MAY RECYCLING DATES

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**MARGARETTING FRIENDS**

Village Coffee Morning

Saturday, 21st May - 10.00am to 12 noon  
At the Village Hall in the Chelmer Room

Local Honey and produce available

Bric a Brac and books

Remus Charity Stall

**PARISH COUNCIL SURGERY**

A councillor will be in attendance in the  
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10:30am - 12 noon

**MARGARETTING CRAFTERS**

A new craft group has started in the  
Chelmer Room of the Village Hall on the  
first Monday of every month at 7.30pm

Monday 9th May 2016

(because of the bank holiday)

Monday 6th June 2016

Monday 4th July 2016

**ALL WELCOME**

Bring along a project and enjoy company  
whilst you do the work; or do you need  
help with say knitting or crocheting? Then  
maybe another member will be able to help  
you; or are you interested in another craft  
we may be able to find a speaker for.

Any enquiries please contact Lynn  
on 01277 355575

**MOBILE LIBRARY** Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons, 12th and 26th May  
at 2.15-2.30pm in Maldon Road in the lay-by 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 11.15am.

The bus will run to Tesco on Friday at approximately 10.45am from Orton Close.

**This will only run if there has been no Community Bus on Thursday!**

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