



MARGARETTING NEWS

November 2017

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

5th November - No service

12th November
10am Remembrance Service
11am War Memorial Ceremony

19th November - 10:00am
Parish Communion

26th November - No service

ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9:30am - Morning Prayer

9:30am - Remembrance Service

9.30am - Morning Prayer

9.30am - Parish Communion

ST. MARY'S CHURCH BUTTSBURY

8:30am - Holy Communion

3:30pm - Remembrance Service

3.30pm - Evensong with Communion

3.30pm - Evensong

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 CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Margaretting Village Hall - Saturday 18th November 11am – 3pm

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH NEWS

This month we have two church services - the first on Sunday 12th and the second on Sunday 19th. The service on Sunday 12th November (Remembrance Sunday) will be a short service in church at 10am followed by a 11am ceremony at the village war memorial.

The repairs to the chancel arch in the church began the week beginning 23rd October only to be halted two days later when the removal of the damaged plaster revealed a line of decorative wall art in pastel colours. Advice is being sought as to the significance of these paintings.

This year's Christmas Fayre to be held in the village hall on Saturday, 18th November has attracted over twenty three different craft stall holders. Once again many thanks are due to Margaretting Friends for organising this event. If you are free on that Saturday please come along and give your support. St Margaret's church will have three stalls – Maddy's crafts, a cake stall and a bottle tombola.

Donations for the bottle tombola will be gratefully received as per last year. We are happy to collect/receive bottles from 1st November onwards. Cakes can be donated on the day. To arrange a bottle collection or delivery please contact Penny on 01277 356182.

If you enjoy singing and/or listening to Christmas carols do pop into the Black Bull on Monday, 18th December. Folk will be gathering there at 6:30pm to sing a few carols and then to walk down the hill to the Red Lion to sing some more carols. Bishop Stephen will be leading the singing and members of a local choir will be there to give support as in previous years.

This is the fourth year running Bishop Stephen has led this local community event. We will be collecting for CHES - Chelmsford's Churches Homeless Emergency Support Scheme. A charity whose mission 'seeks to relieve homelessness and related hardship and distress amongst single adults in Chelmsford and Essex, through the provision of support services and temporary accommodation that helps them move on in their lives'.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday, 6th December - 7.30pm - Charity Bingo in the Village Hall
Monday, 18th December - 6.30pm - Carol singing in the Black Bull and Red Lion

Tuesday, 22nd May 2018 - 7.30pm - Eastern Angles touring theatre in the Village Hall
Saturday, 2nd June 2018 - 2pm to 4pm - Art Demonstration in St Margaret's Church
Saturday, 7th July 2018 - 7.00pm - 'Song Cycle' concert in St Margaret's Church

MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 12 OCTOBER

Please note the minutes for parish council meetings, once they have been agreed and signed by the chairman, are posted on the Margarettling Community website. 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.margarettling@virgin.net

A parish councillor will be on duty in the parish office on SATURDAY 18th November - 10:30am to 12noon.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Mr Gary Bank, parish councillor nominee who lives in Jennings Place, attended the meeting. Those present welcomed him and agreed to him being co-opted onto the parish council at the November meeting.

ANGLIA LEVEL CROSSINGS

The public inquiry for the proposed level crossings closures was scheduled to take place on 18th October. Closures include the Parsonage Lane crossing and the Maldon Road - footpath 21 crossing. *Since the meeting the parish council has been informed that the public inquiry has been postponed to a later date.*

MARGARETTING FOOTPATHS

A map of Stock's public rights of way, produced by Stock parish council in conjunction with the Parish Paths Partnership, was circulated at the meeting. It was agreed to contact the Parish Paths Partnership to see if a similar map for Margarettling could be published.

EASTERN ANGLES

The theatre company has been booked to perform its latest play in the village hall next year on Tuesday, 22nd May.

MALDON ROAD

Playing Field: The parish council and Sovereign have agreed terms and conditions for the repairs to the safety surface for the children's swings. A new safety surface will be installed after the school half term holiday.

Allotments: Very few seem to be being worked. Allotments will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Flooding in the vicinity of El Rita:

Nothing further to report.

Pavements: A report and photographs showing the poor state of the footpath from Maldon Road playing field to the railway bridge have been forwarded to Highways. It was agreed cars driving on the pavements is the main cause for the damage.

MAIN ROAD

Flood Risk: Nothing further to report.

Village Pond: It was agreed to ask the Conservation Volunteers to spend a day clearing the pond as in previous years.

Village Sign: An application for grant aid to help pay for a new sign has been sent to Community Initiative Fund.

Bus Shelter opposite Black Bull: Nothing further to report on the status of the new fencing installed in the grass verge adjacent to the shelter.

Bus Shelter opposite the Red Lion: Reports that a board has become loose is to be investigated.

ACCOUNTS

The following expenditure was agreed.

£487 - Clerk's wages and expenses.

£440 - Village grass cutting.

£120 - Audit (2016/2017).

£49 - Allotments water.

The precept for the financial year 2018/2019 will be discussed and agreed at the November meeting.

PLANNING

The chairman reported on planning matters discussed at a recent planning forum for parish councillors.

The impression gained was that 'Enforcement' matters were a low priority. Any reports/complaints have to be evidence based.

The following applications were received for comments.

17/01557/LBC: Bullfinches, Writtle Road. Demolition of conservatory; 3 no. windows between existing studs; internal stud walls to kitchen/utility; alteration of staircase position

17/01654/FUL: Eweland Hall Cottage, Main Road. New Car Port

17/01732/FUL: The Briars, Pennys Lane. Demolition of existing outbuilding and garage. Single storey side extension. Rear infill extension. Alterations to existing roof to create hipped roof form. New front porch and bay window. New detached garage & gym.

The following decision was noted.

17/01272/FUL: Canterburys, Main Road. Change of use from agricultural land to garden. Refused Planning Permission

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 9th November at 7.30pm in the meeting room in the village hall.

MOBILE CUSTOMER INFORMATION SERVICE MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

Monthly visits in conjunction with the Over 60s Club
Wednesday, 29th November - 2.00pm to 3.00pm

We can help you to:

- * Recycle more and provide you with replacement sacks
- * Find out how to get help with Housing Benefit or Council Tax
- * Report issues in your area
- * Find out about tourism and leisure activities

No appointment necessary.

For more information, please contact the Customer Services Team on
01245 606891 or visit chelmsford.gov.uk/mobileinfo



Official ticket launch for the Essex Lottery

The Essex Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery set up by Essex County Council to support local charities and good causes in communities across Essex with their fundraising efforts. Tickets cost £1, of which 60p will go directly to good causes. The first draw takes place on Saturday 25 November with a jackpot of £25,000 and guaranteed weekly prizes. Plus, anyone who buys a ticket for the first draw will also be in with a chance to win an iPad. Buy your tickets on the website www.essexlottery.co.uk, or call 0300 302 32 32 to be in with a chance of winning something for yourself and supporting local good causes with their fundrais-

ing. Players can select from over 95 registered causes they wish to support and benefit from the proceeds. There's still time for good causes to register their interest with The Essex Lottery.

You can do this via www.essexlottery.co.uk by emailing essex.lottery@essex.gov.uk or by calling 0300 302 32 32.

CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP AGM

Although few members attended last month's AGM we did receive, prior to the meeting, many compliments and lots of encouraging comments about the Support Group's work in the churchyard. The committee was re-elected en bloc and it was agreed the annual membership subscriptions, due in February next year, would remain £10 per person. Matters discussed at the meeting included churchyard maintenance and ideas for future fund raising events. The treasurer reported funds in the bank totalled £3,152. However, there are some outstanding bills to pay before the end of the year which include the church porch drainage and new shingle for the paths. Below is a transcript of the chairman's 2017 report presented at the meeting

'Last year I reported that, "We are slowly making progress and finding our way". Now I can report that things are more sorted and in place and we have been able to get a lot of tasks completed. Tiles on the roof repaired, compost bin built, damp in the wall treated, new gully outside the porch to stop water intrusion, drains checked and cleared, water tap repaired, warning signs for bees, path weeded, fresh

shingle laid down, painted door frame, porch treated and the repair to the East wall and Jesse window is starting this week. The churchyard has been tidied up with the help of volunteers, the burial plots plan has been sorted out and monuments to the two war graves. I am beginning to realise we have a good number of offers of help and we need to be more organised in utilising these kind offers. We have put an item on the agenda to try and address this problem.

All members have been active in organising events in the church with a Soul Night, Song Cycle, art demonstration and choir to be organised next year. This helps to meet our goals of increasing usage of the church and raising funds.

The committee might be small, but it is large in its achievements. We will be putting a report in the November newsletter. Finally I would like to recognise the support we get from our members, both financially and constructive comments.'

Michael Scott

MARGARETTING OVER 60S CLUB

Last month, during a very special lunch in the Black Bull, we remembered and gave several toasts to our friend May Day who died in March this year. The lunch was May's treat - she had generously put aside a sum of money for an Over 60s event. May, a founder member of the Over 60s, was a great supporter of the club. Her great sense of humour and her presence at our Over 60s meetings are sorely missed by all the club members.

This month we have three meetings. On the 1st November we have invited the 'hat lady' to talk to us about the history and the making of hats. On the 15th we look forward to enjoying a lunch cooked by our very own Phyllis and on the 29th an afternoon of tea and cakes provided and served by the Margaretting Friends. New members are welcome. We meet in the village hall on alternative Wednesdays at 2pm. For more information please telephone June or Don on 01277 356126.

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Margaretting Friends meet every third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in the Chelmer Room. This month we meet on the 20th November when we have a demonstration on making Christmas Crackers. All are invited. For more information call Lynn on 01277 355575. No meeting next month. We will be enjoying our Christmas meal at Bartellos.

CHARITY BINGO

Margaretting Village Hall - Wednesday, 6th December at 7.30pm
Bring a prize, win a prize. All welcome. All proceeds go to a charity chosen on the evening.

THE BLACK BULL

The Black Bull has once again proved how generous its customers and friends are. September's coffee morning raised £761 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Julie and all her staff would like to thank everybody who supported this event, made cakes, donated raffle prizes and bought raffle tickets.

BOOK CLUB

We enjoyed reading 'The Kashmir Shawl' by Rosie Thomas and 'The Miniaturist' by Jessie Burton. We all said we could recommend both books as a good read. The only criticisms we had were the ending for 'The Kashmir Shawl' was a little drawn out and there were some dark moments in Jessie Burton's tale.

This month we are reading 'The Girls' by Lisa Jewell. For more information about the book club please contact Penny on 01277 356182.

MARGARETTING CRAFTERS

Do you want to learn a new craft or need help with an existing project then join us in the Chelmer Room in the village hall on Monday 6th November at 7.30pm. Margaretting Crafters meet on the first Monday of every month. Any enquiries call Lynn on 01277 355575.



Margaretting Village Hall

What's on in November 2017

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated.

Mondays

Pilates - 9.30 – 10.30am Main Hall
 Dog Training – 5 – 10pm – Main Hall
 Crafters - 6th – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room – all welcome
 Trust Meeting - 6th - 8pm – Meeting room
 Margaretting Friends Committee meeting – 13th - 5pm – Meeting room
 Margaretting friends – 20th – 7pm – Chelmer Room – All welcome.

Tuesdays

Art Class – 9am – 6pm - Chelmer Room
 Yoga - 1:15pm – 3:15pm – Main Hall
 Fit 4 Action - 9.15 – 10.15am – Main Hall
 Keep Fit – 14th (change of class) – 7pm – 8pm – Main Hall
 Barnraisers - 14th and 28th - 9:30 – 12:30 – Meeting Room

Wednesdays

Dance to Fitness – 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall
 French class – 10am – 12noon – Meeting Room
 Village Hall Committee meeting – 1st - 7:30pm – Meeting Room
 Over 60's Club – 1st and 15th and 29th – 2- 4pm – Meeting Room
 Karate – 1st and 15th and 29th – Main Hall
 Bingo – 8th and 22nd - 7.30pm – Main Hall

Thursdays

Pilates 9.30 – 10.30am - Main Hall
 Art Class – 9am – 1pm - Chelmer Room
 Flower arranging – 11.30am – 1.30pm – Main Hall
 Hot Pod Yoga – 6pm -8pm – Main Hall

Fridays

Barnraisers – 9:30 – 12:30 – Main Hall (9:30 until 6pm on 3rd)
 Keep Fit Class – 7pm – 8pm – Main Hall (no class on 17th)

Saturdays

Pirouette School of dance - 11th– 9am – 1:30pm – Main Hall
 Christmas Fayre – 11am – 3pm – Main Hall

Sundays

Loose Threads Patchwork Group – 5th - 9.30am – 6pm – Main Hall
 For further information please contact the Booking Secretary on:
 07794 187741 or margaretting.bookings@yahoo.com

NOVEMBER RECYCLING DATES

Food waste - Every Tuesday
Black bin, green box and card sack
 Tuesday 14th and 28th November
Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons
 Tuesday 7th and 21st November

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 Come and enjoy a fun evening with the Bingo Club Members in the village hall.
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CHILDREN IN NEED BLACK BULL CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT

**FRIDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER
 £13 INCLUDES SUPPER**

**£3 FROM EVERY ENTRY GOING
 TO 'CHILDREN IN NEED'**

**Donation of raffle prizes
 would be greatly appreciated**

**For more details
 Telephone 01277 353141**

MOBILE LIBRARY Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons, 9th and 23rd November 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 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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Christmas Fayre

Margaretting Village Hall, Wantz Road, CM4 OEP

Saturday 18th November

11am - 3pm

A variety of local stall-holders bring a delight of gifts, crafts, Christmas food and much more to this Christmas shopping fayre.

- Hand made cards
- Wooden gifts
- Jewellery,
- Jams, chutneys and pickles
- Decorations
- Gifts in wrought iron
- Beauty
- and much more!

- Raffles
- Tombola
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Entry: 50p



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