

MARGARETTING NEWS September 2020

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES ST. MARY'S CHURCH

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

6th September - NO SERVICE 13th September - NO SERVICE

20th September 11:15am Holy Communion

27th September - NO SERVICE

ST. GILES'S CHURCH **MOUNTNESSING**

9:30am - Morning Prayer 9:30am - Contemplative Worship

9:30am - Morning Prayer

9:30am - Holy Communion

3:30pm - Harvest Festival

BUTTSBURY

8:30am - BCP Holy Communion

For all enquiries contact Revd Patrick Sherring - telephone number 01277 352562

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

COVID-19 Safety requirements for churches.

These are the latest requirements for the Church of England:

- Face coverings in church are mandatory. This is a legal requirement.
- Names of attendees have to be kept for 21 days for 'track and trace' requirements. They will be securely disposed of afterwards.
- Congregations are not allowed to sing.

- Holy Communion is allowed but not sharing the wine.
- Weddings and funerals numbers permitted to attend must achieve social distancing, not exceeding 30 for a wedding or funeral in any case.
- Vulnerable people who are shielding are advised not to attend church but the final decision is up to them.

Thank you for helping us protect others.

Timothy Lee, Licensed Lay Minister

IDENTIFYING THE NEXT BISHOP OF CHELMSFORD - STATEMENT OF NEEDS

The process to identify the next Bishop of Chelmsford is well underway and the Diocese of Chelmsford's Vacancy in See Committee - the group that manages and oversees the Diocese's role in the process - has published its Statement of Needs.

The document, which helps tells the story of our Diocese, incorporates views which were shared by more than 1,000 people, groups and churches as part of our diocesan consultation.

The Statement of Needs sets out what people value most about the Church of England in Essex and East London, the challenges and opportunities the new Bishop will face and the qualities the 11th Bishop of Chelmsford will need to bring to the role, particularly as we emerge from the coronavirus pandemic.

Canon Robert Hammond, one of the elected members to the Crown Nominations Commission and Chair of the Vacancy in See Committee says:

"Thank you to everyone who took part in our Diocesan consultation to help identify the next Bishop of Chelmsford. The responses gathered from all corners of the diocese, have helped us put together a Statement of Needs that captures the extraordinary variety of cultures and traditions in our wonderfully diverse diocese. The document will be enormously helpful to the Crown Nominations Commission and candidates as we continue to discern who God is calling to be the eleventh Bishop of Chelmsford."

The Statement of Needs will be read by candidates as well as the Crown Nominations Commission (CNC), the national body that will interview candidates and ultimately nominate someone to be the next Bishop of Chelmsford. The CNC will make their nomination to the Prime Minister who, if he accepts will advise Her Majesty the Queen, who will formally appoint the next Bishop of Chelmsford.

To read a copy of the published Statement of Needs on the Chelmsford Diocese website visit:

https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/statement-of-needs/

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Margaretting News owes its origin in 1992 to the Revd Canon John Brown, our vicar at that time. It has continued since then under the auspices of St Margaret's Parochial Church Council to provide information on local groups and organisations, is produced and printed at no cost (thanks to our resident estate agent Paul Beresford) and is delivered to every household (over 350) in the village by a number of volunteers. If you wish to assist in this process in any way do contact Penny Savill on 01277 356182. Email: penny.savill@btinternet.com

MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL

Margaretting Parish Council will be resuming meetings on Thursday, 10th September. This meeting will be held in the main hall of the village hall with social distancing being observed. Members of the public can attend. Planning decisions received by the parish council since the last newsletter are as follows:-

Brooklands, Pennys Lane

Application No: 20/00829/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of part single and part two storey rear extension, first floor front extension. Conversion of garage to habitable space. Addition of balcony and two roof windows to rear with alterations to front fenestration. Application Approved

4, Orton Close

Application No: 20/01101/CLOPUD

Proposal: Loft conversion with rear facing dormer,

Juliet balcony and front roof light.

Application Approved

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

Margaretting Parish Council is made up of nine councillors – elected or co-opted from the local community – who meet regularly to make decisions on the work and direction of the council.

Currently, Margaretting Parish Council comprises six parish councillors only. Members of the council are: *Chair:* Harry Blurton

Councillors: Teresa Paoli-Burke, Colin Quilter, Di Smith, Simon Upton and Andy Wallace.

Margaretting Parish Council meets every month in the year (except August) on the second Thursday of the month, at 7.30pm at the Village Hall. The meeting is open to all parishioners, is attended by our Ward Councillor (Ian Grundy) and has a time at the beginning of the meeting for questions from parishioners. If you are interested in being co-opted onto the parish

council please contact Caroline Kochan, the Clerk to the Parish Council. Telephone: 01277 350887 Email: parishcouncil.margaretting@virgin.net

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.

Margaretting Free or Cheap Stuff WhatsApp

This is a 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 0749 544 2669.

MALDON ROAD PARKING RESTRICTIONS

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It is illegal to park on the double yellow lines, at any time, unless you hold a disabled parking permit. Disabled badge holders are allowed to park on the double yellow lines for up to three hours as long as they are not causing an obstruction.

You can report illegal parking online: www.chelmsford.gov.uk/your-council/contacting-us/contact-parking-enforcement/

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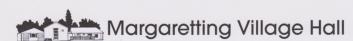
INGATESTONE CHURCH MINI-MEMORIAL SERVICE

We are preparing for a 'Mini-memorial' service at Ingatestone Church on 1st November - from 2.00pm to 5pm. We will be having a series of 15 minute personalised memorial slots.

Anyone can book a memorial slot to remember anyone who has died this year, anywhere in the country. People can book one from me.

Timothy Lee, Licensed Lay Minister

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Wantz Road, Margaretting CM4 0EP www.margarettingvillagehall.org.uk (Registered Charity No. 301365)

Wanted

The Village Hall requires Volunteers to help run our Community facility.

Dealing with the new legislation to re-open the hall, following lockdown, has highlighted we are short of people who can support the hall.

Please come forward – without your support the Village Hall cannot continue to function

If you want to know more contact Michael Scott
Chairman on 01277 354821

Margaretting Village Hall – we are pleased to announce that we are working towards reopening the hall on 1st September to Regular Users only. No bookings are being taken at this time for parties, wedding receptions. children parties or new regular hires. To comply with government advice, the toilets and kitchens will remain closed and unavailable for hires. There is a large number of legislative requirements for the hall to meet to be able to open and this has highlighted how few committee members we have. If you feel you can support this important Community facility by coming on the committee, please contact our Chairman, Michael Scott on 01277 354821. Obviously this is an ongoing situation and opening will be under constant review. The Meeting Room is currently out of commission as we have to provide a separate Covid 19 Isolation room just in case.

Essex Police Fraud Alert Information

Criminals have been using a variety of sophisticated methods to exploit the coronavirus pandemic to get people to part with their hard earned money. As part of their Take Five to Stop Fraud campaign, UK Finance have revealed the **top ten** Covid-19 and lockdown scams the public should be on the lookout for:

Health Scams

- 1. <u>Hand Sanitizer and Face Masks Victims</u> are also being targeted by fake adverts for Covid-related products and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) that do not exist.
- 2. NHS Test and Trace Criminals are preying on an anxious public by sending phishing emails and cold calls claiming that the recipient has been in contact with someone diagnosed with Covid-19. These are designed to steal personal and financial information

Contact Tracers will never:

- * Ask you to make any form of payment
- * Ask for details about your bank account
- Ask you for passwords or PINs
- Ask you to download anything

Covid-19 Financial Support Scams

- 3. <u>Fake Government Emails Criminals</u> are sending emails designed to look like they are from government departments offering grants of up to £7,500.
- 4. <u>'Covid-19 Relief Funds' Fraudsters</u> have also been sending scam emails which offer access to relief funds, encouraging victims to fill in a form with their personal information.
- 5. <u>'Council Tax Reduction' Criminals</u> have been targeting people with official-looking emails offering a council tax reduction.
- 6. <u>Universal Credit Applications Fraudsters</u> are also preying on benefit recipients, offering to help applying for Universal Credit, while taking some of the payment as an advance for their 'services'.

Lockdown Scams

7. TV Subscription Services Amid a rise in the use of during the lockdown, customers have been targeted by criminals sending convincing emails asking them to update their payment details by clicking on a link which is then used to steal credit card information.

- 8. <u>Dating Scams Fraudsters</u> are also exploiting those using online dating sites and social media by creating fake profiles used to manipulate people into handing over their money.
- 9. <u>Fake Investment Opportunities Criminals</u> are using social media websites to encourage victims to "take advantage of the financial downturn".
- 10. <u>TV Licensing Scams Criminals</u> are sending fake emails and texts claiming to be from TV Licencing telling people they are eligible for six months of free TV license because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Remember Criminals are experts at impersonating trusted organisations and manipulating people into parting with their money or personal information. Consumers are reminded to stop and take a moment to think before parting with any money or information, in case it's a scam

ANNUAL LITTER PICK

The parish council would like to thank the eight volunteers especially youngsters Matt and Grace who joined them to litter pick on 22nd August. The photo below shows some of the rubbish collected. Think how many sacks could be filled if there had been more volunteers!

Thank you also to Julie and the Black Bull for providing tea and coffee afterwards.



ST MARGARET'S CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP

The Church Support Group would like to keep you up-todate on the activities to maintain the church and churchyard during lockdown.

Due to the generosity of the members annual contributions we have been able to carry out some important work. The guttering all around the church has been repaired and painted and together with the renewing of the concrete gullies surrounding the church should ensure the church is better protected from damp.

The acacia tree that was reaching over the north east corner of the roof and filling the gutters with leaves has been cut back. Two large boughs were cut out and cleared away. The guttering and tree lopping was done by our usual company at a very competitive price and paid out of supporters membership funds. This has saved making calls on the limited church funds.

The water leak in the south porch toilet has been repaired, the skirting board which had rotted has been replaced and the wall area plastered and painted. The water damage to the south porch wall has been an ongoing problem as the wall was saturated due to a faulty water pipe connection and a six month drying out time was needed before work could start.

In the graveyard the gravel path has been regularly sprayed and the new rose bed pruned and weeded. Spraying continues to keep down the brambles and clear some of the graves that are not maintained by family and friends. The wild flower meadow is beginning to develop slowly and the seeds sown in the spring have flowered. Hopefully next year it will be even better.

We have a young fox that has taken up residence and you might even see him if you visit. He will hopefully keep the numbers of rabbits down and stop them eating the new roses. There is only one negative note and that is the problem of rubbish being left in the churchyard as some people have not taken it home. Perhaps if you see someone putting plastic or iron work on the compost heap you might politely point to the sign that asks you to take it home.

If anyone has any further ideas or wish to help please get in touch.

Michael Scott, Chairman

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Margaretting Village Hall

What's on September 2020

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated. Please note this list has been prepared before all the Regular Users have confirmed their intentions regarding returning.

Mondays

Art Class – 2-4pm – Main Hall

Pilates - 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall

Chelmsford & Margaretting Dog Training – 5pm–10pm – Main Hall

Margaretting Crafters - Not Until Further Notice

Margaretting Friends – Not Until Further Notice

Barnraisers – 3rd and 17th - 9.30am–12.30pm – Meeting Room

Fit 4 Action - 9.15-10.15am - Main Hall

Chelmsford & Margaretting Dog Training – 5.30pm–8.30pm – Main Hall

Yoga - 1.30pm - 3pm - Main Hall

Essex Beekeepers Association – 17th - 7pm – Main Hall Margaretting Village Hall Committee – 3rd – 7.30pm – Meeting Room

Wednesdays

Aerobics – 18th - 7-8pm – Main Hall

Essex Budgerigars – 4th – 7.30pm – Main Hall

Dance to Fitness — 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall

French class – 10am–12noon – Meeting Room

Keyboard class – 10am–12 noon & 1-3pm – Chelmer Room

Cameo (formerly Over 60's) – Not Until Further Notice

NEW In Sequence Dancing – 3-4pm – Main Hall

Thursdays

Art Class - 10am – 12 noon - Chelmer Room

Pilates - 9.30 - 10.30am - Main Hall

Margaretting Parish Council - 12th - 7.30pm – Main Hall

Flower Arranging – 11.30am–1.30pm – Main Hall

Barnraisers – Main Hall - 9.30am – 12.30pm

Region 8 Quilters Guild – 7th - 10am–12pm - Meeting Room

Saturdays

Multi Sports – 10am – Main Hall (Not 21st)

Village Coffee Morning – 14th - 10am–12 noon – Chelmer Room **ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT** – 7th – 7pm – Main Hall

Chelmsford Carpet Oval Racing Club (CCORC) – 14th and 28th - 5pm–11pm

Sundays

TRUST BUS

Loose Threads Patchwork Group – 8th and 29th - 9.30am–6pm – Main Hall

For further information please contact

the Booking Secretary on: 01277 355575 or 07794 187741

Every three weeks on Thursday afternoons MOBILE LIBRARY

> 17th September - 9:40am to 10:10am in the Maldon Road lay-by opposite the playing field. The Friday morning services to Ingatestone and Tesco are suspended until further notice.

The service will resume when it is considered safe to do so.

If you have any queries regarding the trust bus service please telephone the driver Nick Price on 01245 264165 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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SEPTEMBER RECYCLING DATES

Wednesday collections Food waste - Every Wednesday

Black bin, green box and card sack Wednesdays 9th and 23rd September

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Wednesday 2nd, 16th & 30th September

Thursday collections

Food waste - Every Thursday

Black bin, green box and card sack Thursday 10th and 24th September

> Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Thursday 3rd and 17th September

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

To arrange a collection Telephone 01245 615800

MOUNTNESSING RECYCLING CENTRE

Roman Road, CM4 9AU

9am to 5pm every day except Tuesday

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Invite you to a Village Coffee Morning At Margaretting Village Hall 10am to 12noon - Saturday 12th September

On the playing field weather permitting Or in the main hall subject to social distancing

Local honey, eggs & produce available

Bric a Brac, Remus Charity Stall All Welcome

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Thank you to all of you who came along to the coffee morning on 15th August. Despite the weather we held the coffee morning in the main hall. It was so good to be back together and see everyone.

> Margaretting Bingo will not be restarting due to the lack of members able to attend. However, we will be holding a **Christmas** Charity Bingo on Wednesday, 2nd December. If you have any questions please get in touch with Maurice on 01277 52126.

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