

News & Events

PASSIONTIDE VEILING

In the last two weeks of Lent there is a change of emphasis in the season as we focus through our readings and music on Christ's suffering (passion) on the cross. From the Fifth Sunday of Lent statues are 'veiled', covered with purple cloth. It is an old Church tradition. The lack of colour or other objects to focus on in church makes us concentrate on the cross, and Christ's victory won for us there.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

THIS AFTERNOON AT 4pm

We follow the journey of Jesus from His being condemned to death by Pilate to his death and burial, stopping at each of the 14 'stations' around the walls of the church to hear the story of our Lord's last hours, to reflect and to pray.

HOLY SATURDAY: CHURCH CLEANING

We need to clean and get the church ready for Easter Day on Saturday 31 March (Holy Saturday). Please try to spare a little time from 10.00am to help. There are jobs such as dusting, mopping, sweeping. We also need people to clean the brass and silverware, to bring things back into church that are taken out during Lent, and to build the Easter Garden.

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

will be on Sunday 15 April in the church hall after the Sung Eucharist. It is the occasion when we elect two Churchwardens and nine PCC members for the coming year, and receive the annual accounts for the parish and a report on parish activities during the past year.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Glen Thomas, who has been selected to train for ordination as a priest. Bishop Peter describes it as: 'great news for Glen and God's Church'. We at St Margaret's are obviously very pleased and happy for Glen.

WATERAID LENT APPEAL

We are collecting money during Lent to support the work of WaterAid. Donations can be put in the Jar of Change at the back of church during Lent. So far this Lent we have collected £198.

TRAIIDCRAFT

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Afternoon Tea to support and help. It was well attended despite the weather and I am pleased to let you know that I received donations totalling £150, (which will be £300 for Traidcraft when matched by the government).

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THE FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION MONDAY 9 APRIL

This day is regarded by the Church as one of the principal feast days in the year, on which the Eucharist should be celebrated in every church. It tells the story of the angel Gabriel visiting Mary to tell her she has been chosen by God to be the mother of His Son, Jesus. The date has been moved this year from 25 March (9 months before Christmas) which fell in Holy Week to 9 April - the first day outside Holy Week and Easter Week.

The Eucharist at St Margaret's to celebrate the Annunciation will be at 10.30am.

St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford

Welcoming, transforming and growing together in God's love

Weekly News Sheet

Sunday 25 March 2018

Palm Sunday



Worship & Intercessions

THIS MORNING

Welcome Team: Charlotte Neilsen and Faustina Bainbridge

Setting: *St Anne's Mass:* James MacMillan

Readers: Norma Toolsie and Wendy Everingham

Eucharistic Ministers: Glen Thomas and Stephen Romaniuk

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ARE ON THE SPECIAL LEAFLET

WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

The sick and those in need:

Roy Young, Kevin Henaghan, Janet Potter, Jane Surtees, Grace Martin, Ann Fox, Christobel Trumpet, Janet Edwards, Monica Martin, Joergen Nielsen, Avril Sangow-awa

The recently departed, including, Peter Chambers and Sarah Shepherd

Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:

25th: Henry Edmondson, John Perry

26th: Ellen Edmondson, Gladys Kingston, Mabel Robinson

28th: Margaret Cooper

31st: Marie Stockwell

Welcome to St Margaret's Church

We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. If you are here for the first time please or visiting from another church, please introduce yourself. If you would like more information about anything to do with St Margaret's please contact us.

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Collect

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-9

The servant of the LORD said: The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Psalm 22

R: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
I can count every one of my bones. **R**

They divided my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **R**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.' **R**

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Passion Gospel: St Mark 14:1 - 15:47

Prayer over the Gifts

Jesus, true vine and bread of life,
ever giving yourself that the world might live
let us share your death and passion:
make us perfect in your love.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.