

## News & Events

### BRING AND SHARE LUNCH SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

We plan to have three lunches each year as a way of getting to know one and enjoy each other's company. Our third lunch for this year will be on 30 September. This will be the last Sunday Glen Thomas is with us before he leaves to begin his ordination training at St Stephen's House in Oxford, so the lunch will be an occasion to say goodbye to Glen and wish him well.

### PILGRIMAGE TO BURY ST EDMUNDS

You can see pictures of our pilgrimage day earlier this month at:  
<http://stmargaretilford.org.uk/gallery/bury-st-edmunds-cathedral/>

### MOTHERS' UNION BANNER

The MU banner, usually in the Lady Chapel, has been lent to Redbridge Museum for an exhibition called *Wonder Women: 100 years of women's lives in Redbridge* which opens at the Museum on 13 November, and runs until 27 April 2019.

### CHURCH CLEANING SATURDAY 6 OCTOBER

Our next church cleaning morning is on Saturday 6 October from 10.00am. Please spare a little time to help if you can.

### DEDICATION FESTIVAL SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER

Our 104th birthday! Also our annual Gift Day. Letters and details next week.

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING FRIDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

We have been asked to host a coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, as part of Macmillan's 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning'. It will be in church between 10.00am and 12noon, and for September will take the place of our monthly Thursday coffee afternoon. The World's Biggest Coffee Morning is Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer; last year over £27 million was raised. One in two of us will face cancer, and the money raised will help Macmillan make sure no one has to face it alone. Please publicise on social media outlets and by inviting people to come along. There are some posters at the back of the church if you have somewhere to display one. There's more information at: [coffee.macmillan.org.uk](http://coffee.macmillan.org.uk)

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The PCC has authorised the follow people from our congregation to assist with the distribution of holy communion for a 3 year period, until September 2021: Jannis Abley, Jenifan Balendran, Jenny Bowen, Sharon Daughters, Rosalie Field, Ruby Hughes, Gerard Ouattara and Stephen Romaniuk.

### ILFORD FOOD FEST SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

At Cranbrook Baptist Church, Wellesley Road, from 12.00 - 3.00pm. Free. Organised by Ilford Transition Town.

## St Margaret of Antioch, Ilford

Welcoming, transforming and growing together in God's love

### Weekly News Sheet

Sunday 23 September 2018

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Worship & Intercessions

### THIS MORNING

**Welcome Team:** Charlotte Nielsen and Faustina Bainbridge

**Setting:** *Mass of St Thomas* David Thorne

**Readers:** Ann Rotondaro and Jannis Abley

**Intercessions** led by Glen Thomas

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Glen Thomas and Rosalie Field

### THIS WEEK

**The Eucharist**

10.30am Thursday

(*St Vincent de Paul*)

### NEXT SUNDAY

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**10.30am Sung Eucharist**

### WE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

**The sick and those in need:**

Jeyaluxmy Rajakulendran, Fr Bill Scott, Derek Brind, Dave Ellett, Marjorie Tarran, Reema, Roy Young, Janet Potter, Jane Surtees, Grace Martin, Ann Fox, Christobel Trumpet, Janet Edwards, Monica Martin, Joergen Nielsen, Avril Sangowawa

**The recently departed,**

**Those whose anniversaries of death fall this week:**

26<sup>th</sup>: Florence Tanter

27<sup>th</sup>: Hazel Kingston

29<sup>th</sup>: Clive Burton, Sydney Genower,

Constance Saunders

## 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

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## First Reading: Wisdom 1:16 - 2:1, 12-22

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death; considering him a friend, they pined away and made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his company. For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, 'Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades. Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord. He became to us a reproof of our thoughts; the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange. We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father. Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected.' Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness, nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

## Psalm 54

**R: The Lord upholds my life, upholds my life.**

O God, save me by your name;  
by your power, uphold my cause.  
O God, hear my prayer;  
listen to the words of my mouth. **R**

For the proud have risen against me,  
ruthless foes seek my life.  
They have no regard for God,  
no regard for God. **R**

But I have God for my help.  
The Lord upholds my life.  
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart  
and praise your name for it is good. **R**

## Second Reading: James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia .....**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,  
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

**Alleluia .....**

## Gospel: St Mark 9: 30-37

### Prayer over the Gifts

Receive us, O God  
as we prepare your table,  
and as you have called us to assemble here,  
so gather us into the mystery  
which we profess in thanksgiving and praise.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace  
may always precede and follow us,  
and make us continually to be given to all good works;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

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## ANNUAL MULTIFAITH WALK OF PEACE THIS AFTERNOON - SUNDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

The annual walk together through Ilford this year celebrates the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human right and will mark International Peace Day. We will be made welcome at different faith venues and will hear about and discuss ways to promote peace and respect. The walk starts at 1.00pm at the Holocaust Memorial Garden, Valentines Park, Ilford (Cranbrook Rd entrance). A list of the other venues and the route of the walk is on the poster on the notice board. You can join for the whole or part of the walk (feel free to join/leave at any point).