



St Margaret's Church



Sunday, 11th May

We invite you to join us this Sunday for our services.

The theme this week is 'Women in the Gospel' and we are introduced to Tabitha

9am Holy Communion

10.15am Cafe Church in the Orchard

No Children and Youth groups are running this week, as it is an All Age Service

Week Ahead

Tuesday 13th May

9.15am Morning Prayer in church

10.30am Interment of Ashes

Wednesday 14th May

10am Holy Communion followed by refreshments

10am to 1pm

Parish Office Open

Please do drop in for tea, coffee, cake and a chat.

Friday 16th May

9.30am to 11.15am

Maggies Song in the Orchard

FRIDAY YOUTH

25 APR	CRAFTING
9 MAY	FAIR TRADE
23 MAY	QUIZ
6 JUN	SUNSET HIKE
20 JUN	FILM NIGHT
4 JUL	BBQ
18 JUL	GAMES NIGHT

7-9PM IN THE ORCHARD
Email Josh to find out more:
youth@smchipstead.org



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What began with a simple suggestion from Hannah "Shall we do something for VE Day?" quickly turned into a truly memorable event, thanks to the enthusiasm and community spirit of our lovely volunteers.

On the morning of 8th May, we gathered outside the cenotaph on the green opposite St Margaret's Church, where Revd Hannah Gordon led us in a moving time of prayer and quiet reflection. It was a beautiful moment of remembrance, honouring those who served and sacrificed.



Particularly poignant was the Act of Commitment 'Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women: that we may help, encourage and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations'.

The response being 'Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen.'



We were delighted to welcome a marvellous turnout of 46 people, including a walking group who arrived at just the right time and joined in the occasion. Their presence added an unexpected but welcome touch of spontaneity and warmth to the day.

Following the service, we returned to the parish office and church for a delicious afternoon tea. The space had been transformed with red, white, and blue bunting, little café style tables and the sounds of the 1940s played softly in the background. There was much laughter and conversation shared. Even our four-legged friends didn't leave empty-pawed, as they enjoyed their own special treat of 'sausages' much to their delight!



A heartfelt thank you to all who helped, attended, and contributed in any way. It was a wonderful way to mark this significant day together.





St. Margaret's Church, Chipstead



History Tour and Bell Tower visit with refreshments

Grade 1 Listed Church

Saturday 28th June 2025

10.30am and 2.30pm - Tickets £10

For bookings please email admin@smchipstead.org

www.stmargaretschipstead.org

Save the Date

'Faith Outside the Pews'

21st and 22nd June

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



**CHIPSTEAD FLOWER SHOW
SATURDAY 25TH JULY 2025**



We need your help to keep the much loved Tea Tent running smoothly!
We're looking for 5 volunteers for each of the following shifts:

Midday – 2:30pm and

2:30pm – 5:00pm

Volunteers will be helping with a mix of:

Serving cakes, sandwiches, teas and coffees.

There may also be a need for one volunteer per shift to handle taking payments. If everyone can be a little flexible on the day, that would be brilliant!

What you get:

Free entry to the Flower Show, a chance to be part of a lovely community event and our heartfelt thanks (and maybe a slice of cake!)

FOOD BANK UPDATE

APRIL 2025

Your donations have continued to make a big difference to local people in need. With the wonderful amount of chocolate eggs we had donated, no-one went without a treat this Easter. What this means to our food bank users is summed up in a message we received - 'Thank you again from the bottom of my heart for helping us. You will never realise what this service means to me, especially when it's Easter or Christmas and you can give them what other children have to eat.'



We are also grateful for the donations received from our Lent campaign. We have been delighted at how many of you took on our '40 tins in 40 days' challenge - thank you! It is these basic food items, such as tins of fruit and veg, that we are so greatly in need of.

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

No one should go hungry. Please help us if you can.



Donate food



Make an online donation or set up a monthly gift



We are in need of new volunteers to join our friendly team. Please email volunteer@loveworks.org.uk to find out how you could help.

URGENTLY NEEDED

This month we are in great need of:

- Instant coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned vegetables
- Soup - tinned or packet
- Tinned meat
- Breakfast cereal



Find your nearest donation point at www.loveworks.org.uk



Scan to make a donation and make a difference today

We cannot help those who need us without the support of our community. Thank you for making a difference!



info@loveworks.org.uk



www.loveworks.org.uk



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C.A.M.E.O.

Come And Meet Each Other
for refreshments and activities

2-4pm on the third Monday of the month

**19th May 2025
16th June 2025
21st July 2025**

**In Hooley Village Hall
St Margaret's Road, CR5 3RB**



For information contact Fofo
fofo.lappin@gmail.com

Are you living
with the loss of
a loved one?

Monthly drop-in
**Bereavement
Café**

@
The Orchard,
St Margaret's Church,
Church Lane, Chipstead

Come to the **Robins' Café** - a
relaxed, safe place to share,
laugh, cry and talk to others who
understand how you're feeling.



St Margaret's Church

Tuesdays
2:30-4pm
20 May
17 June
15 July
19 August
and every 3rd
Tuesday of the
month thereafter



ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH CHIPSTEAD, CR5 3RD



HELP WANTED



Your churchyard needs you! We
are looking for volunteers to
help maintain the churchyard
on a Wednesday morning
between 9.30am and 12 noon.
Refreshments provided.



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ChurchSuite - REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN & YP

If you are already registered please log on to My ChurchSuite and add your under 18s. This will mean we can let you know about all things children and youth.

We would appreciate it if our church family and community members would provide their personal details and give us permission to contact you via email, phone, or SMS.

The form is available in church or you can request one by emailing the administrator at admin@smchipstead.org. Once completed, please either leave your form on the desk in the parish office or send a copy to the administrator.

If you decide that you would rather the church not hold any of your information then the weekly newsletter is available on the website.