

Tuesday 22nd

Did you know that worldwide more than 65 million people have been forced to leave their homes, and more than 15 million have been forced out of their own country? It's hard to imagine the heartache and misery that has caused. Pray that the Holy Spirit will reveal himself to them and that many will find Jesus rather than spending their lives in bitterness and anger.

Wednesday 23rd

The 5th Alpha may be the time some begin to flag. Ask the Lord to fill all those who have come along thus far with an intense desire to know more. Pray that they have no distractions or other calls on their availability this evening.

Thursday 24th

Some of **our church family** can only meet with us on-line. They may be infirm or ill or the price of a taxi is prohibitive. Pray that even though they are not able to be in church in person, they will still feel part of us and that they will meet with Jesus as they watch the services. If you know of someone in that position why not send them a card or make a phone call. It could make all the difference.

Friday 25th

Thank the Lord for those who week by week come into the church to clean, arrange the flowers and generally help out; often a thankless task but one which makes such a difference for all of us. Also pray that any visitors who might wander into the church will sense God's Presence.



Saturday 26th

Author and Bible teacher Tim Chester says, 'The best way to pray for the glory of God is to pray for the **mission of the church.**' Lift the mission of St Margaret's before the Lord today. Pray that we shall be an effective force for good and the gospel in the village of Angmering and beyond.

Sunday 27th

Please bring **our clergy** before the Lord today; Mark, Ben and Nat. Pray for a freshness to their ministry, that they will be able to navigate church responsibilities with family responsibilities and that they are able to take sufficient rest. May Jesus bless them. After you've prayed for them, why not encourage them with your thanks.

Monday 28th

The **PCC** meet tonight. Please pray for each member of the council to have wisdom and insight as they seek to lead the church in the way God wants.



Tuesday 29th

Remember **the wives** of our ministry team today: Susan, Morag, Connie and Zilla. It must be very hard sharing your husband with 300+ people especially if they are called out on an emergency. Thank the Lord for their generosity and pray for God's richest blessing on their lives and the lives of their children.

Wednesday 30th

Family Support Work Children's Club comes together in our Church Hall today. Pray that everyone will enjoy their get-together and thank the Lord that help is on offer for those who need it. Bring before God the families who still struggle with the cost of living crisis and especially those worried about heating their homes this winter.

The 6th Alpha meets tonight. Ask Jesus that He will become real to them.

Thursday 31st

As an alternative to Halloween there is a **Light Party** this evening. In an increasingly dark world, ask God that those who come along will hear about Jesus the Light of the World. Pray that their hearts and minds will be open and that the gospel will be clear.

It is only as the church intentionally and deliberately seeks the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that God leads His people. Premier Radio: Voice of Hope.

This is our monthly diary of the ministries and events in the life of St Margaret's with some ideas for prayer. Thank you for praying - we want to make a difference!

It would be helpful if requests for inclusion in the November diary could be sent to Sara in the Church Office by 18th October



I will praise the Lord at all times. I will constantly speak his praises... I prayed to the Lord and he answered me. He freed me from all my fears. Psalm 34v. 1,4

Our Mission this Month:

Tearfund is a Christian charity which partners with churches in more than 50 of the world's poorest countries; tackling poverty and injustice through sustainable development, by responding to disasters and challenging injustice.



Tuesday 1st

Every Tuesday this term Ben will be doing a course organised by Oak Hill called *Ministry for the Digital Age*. Ask the Lord that through this course he will be better equipped to share the gospel in today's confused and unkind world. **Adventurers** meet tonight 7-8:15pm with a mix of games, challenges, activities and Bible input. Ask God to speak into their hearts and pray that they will express a desire to follow the Saviour.

Wednesday 2nd

The church hall will be buzzing with conversation as **Creating Company** meet this afternoon to chat, play table games and share their craft ideas. Pray that more people from outside the church get to hear of it and come along. 2 Samuel 7v.27 says: Your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. Ask the Lord for boldness and solid faith to believe that prayer changes things as we meet this evening for the Prayer Meeting in Church and on Zoom.



Wednesday 2nd Continued:

Alpha begins tonight. The Guardian says, 'What Alpha offers, and what is attracting thousands of people, is permission, rare in secular culture, to discuss the big questions about life and death and their meaning.' Pray that those who come will feel comfortable enough to ask questions and that firm friendships will be made, especially with Jesus.

Thursday 3rd

The Weed Whackers will be hard at work in the church grounds today. Pray that even as they pull weeds or cut brambles, they will feel His sweet Presence.

Yesterday and today the SGP Wives have a retreat at Ashburnham. These ladies work hard for all of us in St Margaret's, so ask the Lord that it will be a time of rest, refreshment and spiritual encouragement.

Friday 4th

Our mission partners would find it hard to function without a representative in church. With the Gurr's moving on to pastures new, **Tear Fund** needs a new rep at St Margaret's. Ask the Lord to call someone to this part of the field and while you pray, think if you are able to answer your own prayers. Please remember Helen Gayler as she co-ordinates this.

Saturday 5th

We owe so much to our **Home Group** leaders. As they come together today, ask God for time of refreshing and that they will be encouraged and re-equipped for the journey ahead. Pray especially that as they look at pastoral care in our groups, they will see God's Will.

Sunday 6th

The **10 o'clock service** is an All Age Harvest Special with Nat. There is also the **Morning Prayer** Service at 11.30 followed by **Sunday Roast**. Ask the Lord to fill the church with His Presence and that everybody will be blessed.

Monday 7th

Women Together plan for a Teaching Series to start next week. *All scripture is God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness 2 Tim 3v.16* Pray that everyone who plans to come will be encouraged and fruitful. May they fall in love with Jesus all over again.

Tuesday 8th

Thank God for the continued good health of all the **Guinness family** in Burundi. Ask Him that the builders who are working on the project to rebuild the annexe which will accommodate visiting mission folk, will see the difference in their lives and thus be drawn to the Saviour.



Wednesday 9th

Time Magazine says, 'Many claim Alpha has changed their lives and appear genuinely happier for the experience.' Pray that this will be true of all those who attend the 3rd **Alpha** meeting tonight.

Thursday 10th

Did you know that one commandment is repeated 365 times in the Bible. Fear Not! That's one for every day of the year. Do you have a fear? You may have had some devastating news, have experienced a loss or perhaps you're worried about a family member. Bring your fear to the Lord right now and leave it with him. *Cast your cares on the Lord Psalm 55v.22*

Friday 11th

Dave & Becky Waterman are moving to the **MAF International Office** in Kent where Dave will serve as Aircraft Maintenance Controller for West Africa and as a Support Engineer where needed from early November. Change can be difficult especially when saying goodbye to old friends. Ask the Lord to help and bless them.

Saturday 12th

This morning there is a **men's breakfast**. Everyone looks forward to the bacon and eggs but ask the Lord for good conversations and opportunities for the men to encourage one another in the faith. Pray for a strong bond to develop between them.

Also at 1.45pm as part of the West Sussex Organists' Association AGM, there is a **Church Organ Recital and talk** by Geoffrey Morgan, a man who has played in Westminster Abbey! Pray that all attendees will not only enjoy some beautiful music but also meet with the Saviour.

Sunday 13th

Thousands of people needlessly suffer and die every day because of poverty. God is calling all of us to reach out to people in greatest need. During the service today there will be a special video about the work of **Tear Fund**. Pray that we will all be stirred into action and ask again that someone will volunteer to be Tear Fund's representative in St Margaret's. There is also a service for anyone who has been bereaved today. Ask the Lord that this service will help those who are struggling with loss and sadness.

Monday 14th

Women Together Teaching Series meet this evening. Pray that their teaching will come with a freshness and that they will be encouraged to seek Jesus more.

Tuesday 15th

The prayers in scripture come from the very heart of God. *I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you.... with power through his spirit in your inner being Ephesians 3v.16* Today, why not use this verse and where the dots are, fill in the names of some of the people the Lord brings to your mind.

Wednesday 16th

Along with others, Ben will be attending an **Evangelism conference** today. Ask the Holy Spirit to stir their passion for the gospel and that all will be challenged to reach out to others in a new way.

The friends of **Evergreen** meet this afternoon. Not all are Christians. Pray that something in the meeting will stir a longing to know Jesus. Ask the Holy Spirit to speak into their hearts and lives. It's the 4th **Alpha** meeting tonight. Ask God that everyone will find new purpose, direction and faith.

Thursday 17th

St Margaret's Knitters meet today. As Christmas approaches, their warm woollen gifts will be sent to people in countries where winter is more challenging. Ask the Lord to bless these gifts and that every stitch will point many to Christ.

Friday 18th

With such a large church, it is a blessing to have people who, although retired, give their time and energy to help the ministry team. Today pray for **Robert, Joy and Tony**. Thank the Lord for their ministry and ask Him for good health and blessings to follow.

Saturday 19th

Sussex Gospel Partnership Training Course continues today. Thank the Lord for those who have signed up for the course and ask for His continued blessing on their studies.

Sunday 20th

We are so blessed at St Margaret's to have a growing **children's work**. Many churches don't have any children. But we must not rest on our laurels. Beseech the Lord to bless the children and give them a desire to know Jesus. Pray for all our leaders, especially Chris Wilson, that their enthusiasm for the gospel will lead many more to Christ. Remember in your prayers the teens of **Rooted** which meets tonight.

Monday 21st

The second part of the **Women Together** Teaching Series is today. *And they took note that these men had been with Jesus Acts 4v.13* As the ladies spend time with the Lord, pray that everyone will be equipped to share the Good News at anytime and anywhere with anyone.

