

## Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

As we draw closer to the end of the month, our children will be preparing to go back to school. Ask God to help them settle back into the classroom and that those going to school for the first time will have a good experience. Also pray that everybody will be eager to return when Adventurers and Rooted start up again.

## Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

Today, offer up a prayer for those who care for disabled loved ones, folks with dementia or other debilitating illnesses. It is very waring to be 'on call' 24/7. Ask the Lord that they will find rest in him and the strength to keep going. Ask God to help you to find ways to encourage them.

## Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>

In just under a month, the Sussex Gospel Partnership Bible course begins again on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Pray that the participants will stay the course and that they continue to be whole-heartedly committed. Ask the Lord to call more workers into the field.



## Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Ask the Lord that the Daytime Fellowship which meets again today will not only meet with Him but that they will form strong friendships which will last for time and eternity. May they know Jesus better and make him better known.

## Friday 30<sup>th</sup>

Last month 100+ children met in the Wacky Wilderness holiday club. Away from the influence it's easy to forget what seemed so important at the time. Ask the Holy Spirit to continue to speak to the children that they will begin a solid walk of faith which will last a lifetime and into Eternity.

## Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>

The Bible says: *As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. Proverbs 27v.17.* Bring the Men's ministry before the Lord today. Ask that their times of getting together, especially the Contented weekend on 7<sup>th</sup> September, will be instrumental in creating strong, dedicated and fervent men of faith.

*It is only as a church intentionally and deliberately seeks the guidance of the Spirit that He leads his people.*

*Premier Radio Voice of Hope July 2nd 2024*

***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 September diary could be sent to Sara in the Church Office by 19th August*

## AUGUST 2024



But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you and pray to your Father in private. Then your father, who sees everything, will reward you. Matthew 6v.6

### **Our Mission this Month:**

Rector's Discretionary Fund for Youth which helps young people who cannot afford to attend camps (such as Brymore) or other Christian activities.

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>**

Daytime Fellowship meets today. Their July date was changed because of Holiday Club. Ask the Lord that they will feel the warmth of his Spirit as they gather to worship Him.

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The Ladies meet **Women Together** for a social in the Lamb tonight. Pray that this opportunity to 'get away from it all' will be a blessing and that firm friendships and trust can be built for the future.

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

August is the month when Alison and Paul and the children will be enjoying a family holiday away. Pray that they will have a real chance to relax and recharge the batteries.

### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>**

There is an 11.30am service but no Sunday Roast to follow. Remember those who are alone today and ask the Lord that they will realise afresh that He never goes on holiday but He is always with them.



## Monday 5<sup>th</sup>

Praise God that Pam completed her 90:90 walk - what an amazing achievement! God blessed her with a great team around her and many friends walked with her. The walk raised £11,500+ (July 19<sup>th</sup>) for the Mothers' Union in Burundi, who will oversee the distribution to develop literacy for women and educational projects. Pray that this gift will be seen as a rich blessing from Our Loving Father.

## Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Helen asks us to pray that a couple of her women's groups hosting a nurses' Christianity Explored course and a 20-30's Bible overview course, would get off the ground in Calvary Church, Castlebar.

## Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>



Creating Company meets today. It is not just for people who enjoy crafts. Some play board games including Dominoes; some simply chat. Ask God to help CC to attract non-church goers as well.

Tonight there's a Combined Prayer Meeting with Angmering Baptist Church and Immanuel Church at St Margaret's Church and online. Ask God to guide us in our prayers.

## Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>

With so much going on, it's easy to 'let things slip' when holidays come around. Ask the Holy Spirit to help us stay close to the Lord during August and pray that we will still find time to read His Word and seek Him in prayer daily.

## Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

Normally on the first Friday of the month the school prayer group meets. Obviously with the school holidays they don't get together in August. Take this opportunity to pray that this group will grow, especially by welcoming parents of current primary pupils and that they will be filled with renewed enthusiasm when they return in September.

## Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>

Today is the **BIG Day** for Chris and Zillah as they will be making their wedding vows in Winchester. Ask the Lord for good weather and a very joyous time for all. Pray that they will begin their marriage with Jesus thus forming a three strand cord which is not easily broken.



<b>PRAYER MEETING</b>	Meeting TONIGHT in Church.
	Coffee from 7.00pm and 7.30pm start

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

As we meet to worship the Lord today ask Him to prepare our hearts so that we don't find ourselves distracted by other things. May we be totally His today.



## Monday 12<sup>th</sup>

Young people will be at Brymore Camp until 19<sup>th</sup>. Pray for Tobias, Micah and Grace that this will be an enjoyable and life changing experience and that their walk with Jesus will deepen.

## Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

Many folks are on holiday this month. Some will be in great need of a break. Ask the Lord that everyone will be blessed by a time apart from the business of the world and come back refreshed.

## Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>

In Castlebar, Helen says that the women's Bible study continues. They are working through Luke under the theme "Following Jesus", learning about some of the fundamental elements of being a disciple – ask the Lord that they will see the fruit of prayer.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>** Today is a BIG day in the life of our students. Their A level results come through. Ask the Lord that even if they don't get the grade they hoped for, they will see a way ahead.

## Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

Please join Alison and Paul as they continue to pray for a breakthrough in the ongoing challenges that are weighing heavily on the people living in Burundi.

## Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

We live in an increasingly confused and problematic world. Ask the Lord to guide our leaders to make good decisions and also for ourselves that rather than joining in with the moaners, that we shall, with God's help, be salt and light to those around us.

## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

As we meet together today, we may have visitors who have come a long way to be among us. Some may be on holiday, some may be visiting friends or relations. Pray that they will meet with Jesus in the service and that this will become the beginning of the greatest journey of their lives.

## Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

School holidays can be a problem for people struggling with the cost of living crisis. Child care is expensive, they have to find extra meals and days out can seem prohibitive. Also some parents may be struggling to find money for school uniforms. Ask the

Lord to bless these families, that they can find help where needed and ask Him to draw them to himself.

## Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

Jesus said, 'The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full.' (John 10v.10.) We, in St Margaret's partner with a number of different missions. Think of our representatives in the church and pray that God will renew their vision and once again fire them up with passion for what they do. Today there is a Holy Communion service in church. Ask the Lord that the people who come will meet with Him.

## Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

No they're not barking but Evergreen meets today with a speaker from CANINE PARTNERS. It's a charity that transforms people's lives with assistance dogs which offer companionship, practical help and increased independence. Ask the Lord that the dogs will make a difference to the members as well.

## Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>

The GCSE results are published today. Let us all lift all our students before the Lord and pray that they will be sure of their next step.

## Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Remember our Home Groups today. Thank the Lord for our Home Group leaders and those who prepare the questions. Pray for the members of your own Home Group remembering especially those who have struggled with illnesses and bereavement over the past year. Ask that God will refresh each one of us during August and bring us all back together with renewed enthusiasm.

## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>

St Margaret's is a beacon of light in Angmering. As Joseph and others look for new ways to reach those who never come to church, ask the Lord to show them His plans. Also pray that each of us is open to sharing the Good News whenever we can.

## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Many of our brothers and sisters in other parts of the world are forbidden to meet together. As we enjoy God presence in church may we never take our freedom for granted. Ask him to make the suffering church aware that He is always with them and grant that today they will feel the warmth of his presence.