



# ST MARGARET'S ILKLEY

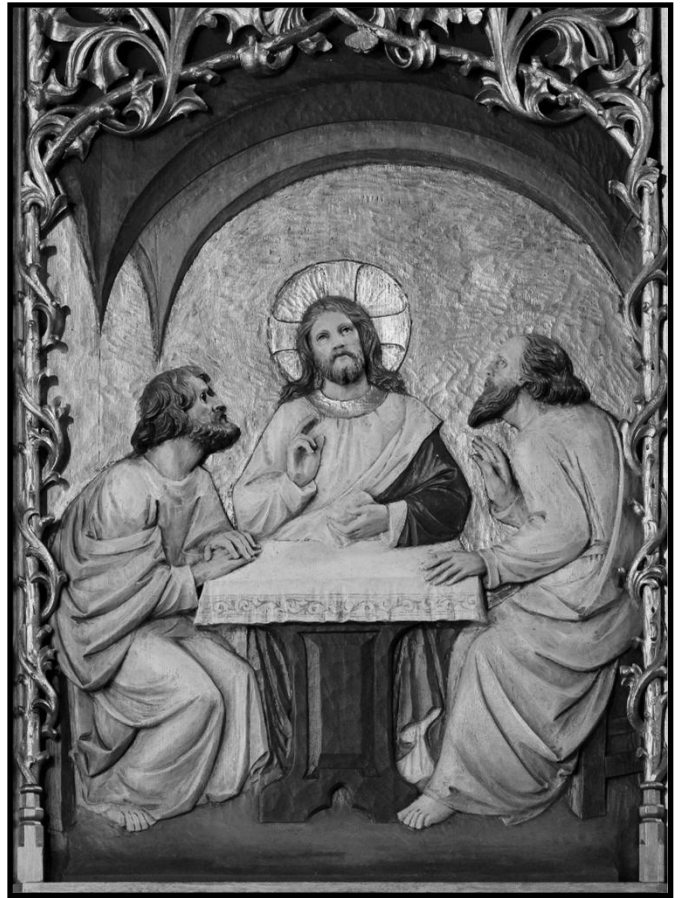
**SUNDAY 19 APRIL**  
**Easter III**

**8.00 am – Low Mass**  
*Fr Alex*

**9.15 am – Family Mass**  
*Fr Alex (Homily: Fr Marc)*

**10.45 am – High Mass**  
*followed by the APCM*  
*Fr Alex*

**6.30 pm – Choral Evensong**  
*Fr Marc (Homily: Revd Isobel)*



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## IN OUR PRAYERS

Graham Birdsall, Ann Bruun, Alan Calder, Teresa Cannell, Joyce Cross, Ian Donougher, Sean Harrington, Betty James, Alan King, James McIntosh, Arnold Mahon, Pam Monkman, Stephen Pilling, Johnny Ratcliffe, Diana Rees-Jones, Philip Rowbottom, John Sunderland, Molly Sunderland, Shirley Thompson, Lindsay Warden.

**DEPARTED** Roy Clarke, Sheila Naylor, Vaughan Stell

### YEARS' MIND

**Sunday** Maurice Newbold  
**Monday** Hilda Chamberlen, Ted Strivens, David Webb (pr)  
**Tuesday** Howard Powell, Albert South, Annie South  
**Thursday** John Quigley (pr)  
**Friday** Arthus Sandford, Alistair Veitch  
**Saturday** Doris Ellwood, Edward Kemp, William Yates, Jean King

*Please continue to pray for the people of Sudan, whose Church is linked with our Diocese of Leeds*

## CHURCH DIARY

*Morning Prayer is held Monday through Friday at 9.00 am—all welcome*

Tuesday 21	2.00 pm	Communion at Straven House	
	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Alex
Thursday 23	11.00 am	Low Mass <i>with social time</i>	Fr Alex
	12.30 pm	Lunch Club	
Friday 24	9.30 am	Playtime	
	6.30 pm	Junior singers rehearsal	
	7.30 pm	Choir rehearsal	
<b>Sunday 26</b> <i>Easter IV</i>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Low Mass</b>	Fr Alex
	<b>10.45 am</b>	<b>High Mass</b>	Fr Alex (H: Revd Isobel)
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b>	Fr Alex (H: Catherine G)
Tuesday 28	11.30 am	Funeral of Sheila Naylor	Fr Alex
	2.30 pm	Communion at Abbeydale	
	6.00 pm	Contemplative Mass	Fr Kenneth
Thursday 30	11.00 am	Low Mass <i>with social time</i>	Fr Alex
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Friday 1	9.30 am	Playtime	
	12.30 pm	Organ Recital	
	2.00 pm	Funeral of Vaughan Stell	Fr Alex
	6.30 pm	Junior singers rehearsal	
	7.30 pm	Choir rehearsal	
Saturday 2	6.30 pm	Plainchant Mass	Fr Alex
<b>Sunday 3</b> <i>Easter V</i>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>BCP Holy Communion</b>	Fr Kenneth
	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Breakfast Praise</b>	Fr Alex
	<b>10.45 am</b>	<b>High Mass</b>	Fr Alex (H: Fr Kenneth)
	3.00 pm	Communion at Abbeyfield	
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b>	Fr Marc (H: Fr Alex)

## NOTICES

### Annual Parish Meeting

#### This morning, after the 10.45 am High Mass

Our annual meeting will be held this morning, immediately after our usual (but slightly shortened) 10.45 am High Mass. Please do stay—the meeting is a great opportunity to hear about the church's activities over the last year, and all that makes up our shared life here.

Copies of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 December 2025, including the usual reports and more information about life at St Margaret's, are available from the back of church. Thank you. *Helen Pilling, Secretary to the PCC.*

### Flowers in church

Flowers today are given by Angela Rowbottom remembering Noelle.

### Choral Evensong this evening

Choral Evensong returns this evening after the post-Holy Week break. The choir sings Christopher Rathbone's *St Margaret's Service* and Johannes Brahms' *Geistliches Lied*.

### Clergy notice

Fr Marc is on leave from Monday 20 to Tuesday 28 April.

### Lunch Club

**Thursday 23 April, 12.30 pm**

*(we meet on the fourth Thursday for this month only)*

The next Lunch Club takes place on Thursday 23 April at 12.30 pm when we will be celebrating Fr Godfrey and Philippa's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The cost is £8.00 for the meal with a glass of wine included in honour of Fr Godfrey and Philippa. Tickets are available from Sandy – call to book a place: 01943 603222 (last booking by Monday 20 April). Arrival from 12 noon.

### Organ Recital

**Friday 1 May, 12.30 pm**

The recital on May Day is given by **Richard Dunster-Sigtermans**, former Director of music at Rugby School, recently settled in Harrogate – he played for our Advent Procession in December. His programme is called 'By Arrangement', as most of the programme consists of arrangements of various music not originally for solo organ – if I mention Jesu joy of man's desiring, Grieg's Wedding from Peer Gynt and the Albinoni Adagio, you'll get the idea. The final Toccata, by Edward Marsh, is based on the theme 'Pat le facteur' – could it be Postman Pat? *Christopher*.

### Plainchant Mass

**Saturday 2 May, 6.30 pm**

All are welcome to come to this beautiful celebration of the Mass, sung almost entirely to ancient plainchant. The Mass lasts around 35 minutes. There's no obligation to sing if you're not comfortable to do so, but you can give it a go or simply let it wash over you!

### Eastertide Feast Days

Please note the dates of these important feasts as we continue our Easter celebrations. **Ascension Day: Thursday 14 May. Corpus Christi: Thursday 4 June.** Masses are at 11.00 am and 7.30 pm on both days, and the evening Masses will be followed by drinks.

## Save the date – St Margaret’s Day

**Sunday 19 July, 10.45 am**

Advance notice of our patronal festival celebrations, taking place on **Sunday 19 July at 10.45 am**. It will be a very special day as we will unveil the large and beautiful icon of ‘St Margaret of the Moor’ that has been written for us in memory of Audrey and Peter Waterhouse, after their legacy given to the church. Fr David Hope, one-time Archbishop of York and Vicar of this parish, will come to preach and to bless the icon. The High Mass will be followed by our parish lunch. We’re also planning a public talk on the history and process of icon-writing, by the artist, Peter Murphy – more details on that to follow

### A bit of fun...

*For any who missed it last week:* I thought I might let you know about some interesting parish history I recently discovered. The Community of the Resurrection (‘CR’) is the ‘patron’ of our parish (a patron technically presents the new incumbent of a church and has a role in the appointment process). CR took over the patronage in 1960 from a W. W. Spooner, an Ilkley grandee whose charitable trust still supports our music in the church. After a little research, it turns out this Spooner’s father was the Revd Dr William Spooner, Warden of New College Oxford, to whom the English-speaking world owes the word, ‘spoonerism.’ This churchman and academic was legendary in Oxford for his propensity to mix up words: he is said to have described Our Lord from the pulpit as “a shoving leopard,” and notoriously proposed a toast on the occasion of Queen Victoria’s diamond jubilee to “the Queer old Dean.” Apparently, he used to enjoy regular holidays to his family in Ilkley, and it seems inconceivable that he would not worship in the church of which his son was the patron. So, if your clergy ever mix up our words in the pulpit, it’s not a mistake, we’re just following local custom... *Fr Alex.*

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*The clergy rest day is Monday*

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*The Parish Administrator works Tuesday to Friday*

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## GIVING

We rely on your generous donations to fund the work of our church, and to support the cost of ministry in the diocese. Please consider making a regular donation to St Margaret's. Thank you for your support.

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