



APCM 2025

The APCM taking place on Sunday, 25th May 2025 at 10.00 at St Margaret’s Church. Supporting documents in addition to this one:
‘St Margaret’s Church Annual Report and Accounts year ending 31st December 2024’ and the document ‘Review of 2024’.

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ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IPSWICH - Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The annual church meeting will take place within our service of Morning Worship on Sunday, 25th May 2025 beginning at 10.00am in the Church.

The papers for this meeting are available on the church website. A few hard copies are available in church. Please read the papers in advance.

Any Other Business [AOB] should be notified to the secretary or chair in advance of the meeting to the church administrator at verger.stmagsips@gmail.com.

Agenda / Order of Service

Item	Description	Lead
1	Welcome, opening words and a song [there will be junior church activities taking place]	Revd Sarah Geileskey
VESTRY MEETING		
2	Collect Prayer for the day followed by Vestry Meeting and the Election of the churchwardens for 2025-2026. Nomination papers for those standing for election as churchwarden must be handed to the chair (Vicar) before the meeting.	Revd Sarah Geileskey Chair
3	Thanksgiving for Churchwardens followed by the Churchwardens' report.	Revd Sarah Geileskey Churchwardens
4	Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37.1-14	Members of the church community
5	Confessional Hymn, prayer and absolution	Revd Sarah Geileskey
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING		
6	Apologies for absence	Chair
7	Minutes of the 2024 APCM and Matters Arising	Chair
8	Electoral Roll Report and approval of Electoral Roll Officer	Chair
9	Report of the Parochial Church Council and the 2024 Audited Accounts	PCC Treasurer
10	Election of an Independent Examiner for the Accounts year-ending December 2025	Chair
11	Reports to be received: Property Safeguarding Deanery Synod	Carol Klug Carol Klug George Woodward

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12	Gospel Reading: John 5.1-9 followed by song	Revd Helen
13	Election of Deanery Synod Representatives <i>2 vacancies for the remaining 1 year of this Deanery Synod triennium.</i>	Chair
14	Election of Parochial Church Council Members <i>8 vacancies to serve for a period of 3 years</i>	Chair
15	Prayers and prayerful anthem sung by the choir, followed by The Lord's Prayer	To be confirmed
16	Reflection	Revd Sarah Geileskey
17	APCM final questions or remarks before the meeting is formally closed.	Chair
18	We affirm our faith and share the peace.	Revd Sarah Geileskey
19	We sing a new song as our closing offertory hymn <i>Gracious God your love has found us. Words and music by Ally Barrett (tune Wulfstan Way)</i>	Revd Sarah Geileskey
20	Blessing and Sending Out	Revd Sarah Geileskey
21	For those who wish to receive bread and wine, a short service will take place around the Nave Altar. Meanwhile, refreshments are served.	
ACPM to pause for Prayer and Reflection		

Closing prayer:

Glory to God,
whose power, at work among us
can do infinitely more than all we can ask or conceive;
to God be glory in the Church and
in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.
Amen.

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St.Margaret's Church
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ST MARGARET'S CHURCH, IPSWICH – ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

The Church Annual Meeting was held on Sunday 28th April 2024 at 12.30pm in the Church.

Present: Sarah Geileskey Margaret Woodward, George Woodward, Frederike Jacob, Nick Jacob, John Woodcock, Maureen Woodcock, Melanie Quinton, Stuart Quinton, Ron Llewellyn, Margaret Llewellyn, Sarah Boggis, Edward Phillips, C.P.Wenham-Phillips, Mark Phillips, Andrew Campbell, Bev Ruddock, David Ruddock, Maggie Conder, Norman Conder, Geoff Spiller, Maggie Reeder, Mary Johnston, Anna Brennan, Peter Youngs, June Youngs, Patrick Whitear, Anne Whitear, Gill Jackson, Richard Jackson, Maureen Garratt Simpson, Belinda Gledhill, Charles Croydon, Alison Thurtle, Quentin Thurtle, Inga Lockington, Tim Lockington, John Grierson, Jean Grierson, Heather Jasper, Bernard Jasper, Anna Geileskey, Adam Geileskey, Carol Klug, Angie Cable, Mary Ridd, Jonathan McNabb, Sarah Milner, Lucy Collins.

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Vestry meeting

1. Opening prayer lead by Vicar Sarah
2. Apologies: John Rendle, Helen Prior Townsend, Keith and Viola Jones, John and Shirley Girt
3. Election of church wardens

Margaret Woodward is happy to continue as the only church warden, and this was endorsed unanimously by all present.

SG acknowledged the pressures that having only one warden places on Margaret and made an appeal for a second church warden/ assistant.

SG expressed heartfelt thanks to Margaret for her support throughout the past year.

APCC

4. Minutes of last meeting:

Amendments – change 2222 to 2022, and also amend the incorrect statement that now is the only time we've had one church warden. Otherwise signed as a true record.

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5. Reports

SG expressed many thanks to Jean Grierson for her work with the St Margaret's Charities for the Needy and to Dave Scott, our parish giving officer. Many thanks were expressed to all those who are vital to the smooth running of the church, such as the cleaning team, gardening team, the flower committee and also to Shirley Girt who maintains all the church linen. She then introduced and thanked John Grierson, the PCC treasurer, who has worked extremely hard to manage the church finances over the past year.

6. John Grierson, Treasurer, gave a very clear and succinct report of the church accounts.

John then thanked Heather Jasper and Phil Hall for their handover last year and added his personal thanks to John Rendle, the Accounts Examiner. He wanted to assure us all that every penny is signed for twice and always accounted for. Thank you to everyone involved in this process. John also thanked Carol and Mary for all the work they had done in applying for grants for the major projects that the church would be undertaking in 2024.

Questions

Charles Croydon - Are renters required to make payments in advance?

JG - No

Nick Jacob – Re Alpha nurseries – is the school taking over their work?

JG - Some provision by school, Monday to Friday after school with no breakfast club. As such there is limited room usage, so can only raise limited income.

Questions were also asked by Edward Phillips and Ron Llewellyn re church income.

JG - legacies cannot be predicted but are very welcome when they come. We need to build up a fund to continue to cover building costs, but we also would like to spend on non-building projects. JG forecasts that we will still have a reasonable reserve at the end of this year, but that depends on whether there are any unexpected costs on the planned works.

Sarah reiterated her thanks to John for all his hard work on the accounts.

7. Property Sub- committee

Questions- none – report accepted.

8. Church warden report

Margaret thanked George W and Sarah G for all their support.

Vicar Sarah expressed gratitude to Margaret on behalf of the whole church community.

9. Safeguarding: The safeguarding lead role will move to Carol Klug. Deputy lead officer will now be Lucy (Church administrator), with Lucy handling the admin side of the role. If anyone has concerns – tell Carol, Sarah, Lucy – or phone the number on the notice board.

10. Deanery synod – statutory report; thanks to Andy, George and Gill for representing us

11. Electoral Roll

Lucy has taken the roll of Electoral Roll officer on from Andy Turpin. All present agreed that this arrangement should continue.

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12. Election of 6 representatives for the PCC, the PCC secretary, and Church Treasurer

Proposed for PCC – only two. We ideally need three more PCC members.

Nominees - Stuart Quinton, Jonathan McNabb

Jonathan – wants to do what he can in the parish and has a background in disability, being autistic,

Stuart – has a long history of involvement at the church and excellent knowledge of St Margaret's

Both Stuart and Jonathan were unanimously elected.

Secretary to PCC- Lucy has kindly volunteered to be PCC secretary. - PCC will consider the proposal that Lucy replace Sarah as PCC secretary.

Treasurer – John Grierson to continue in role.

13. Election of Independent examiner

John Rendle has offered to continue in this role and his offer was gratefully and unanimously accepted.

AOB

Frederike – thank you to Sarah G and her family – you have made such a difference.

Ron – are there any proposals for the av unit to be moved?

Charles Croydon – are there any plans for the church to become more eco-friendly?

Vicar Sarah agreed that there were issues, such as being more eco-friendly, that needed more attention from us going forward and that we are aware of this.

Meeting ended with the Grace.