

It is with great sadness and concern that I write with regard to a serious incident that took place at St Margaret's Church.

Somebody entered the church in daylight hours to record words and sketches of abuse, anti-Semitism, and war. It is possible that he/she is struggling with mental health issues and perhaps, in time, will come forward to speak to either myself, Sally Kimmis (Team Rector for Worthing), or indeed the Police or GP for help and support.

Please be assured that this incident has been reported to the Police and is currently under investigation. Finger-prints and evidence has been collected from the Church and taken away for further examination which hopefully will identify the individual.

In the meantime, our Church continues to maintain a monitoring system, and this has now increased with additional Police presence and Neighbourhood Watch.

Finally, do remember that as a visitor calling into the Church yourself, you are fully aware of your surroundings; remove yourself from any potentially harmful situation. If you suspect or find anything out of the ordinary, please contact: in an emergency the Police using 999 or 101 telephone numbers, or The Revd Sally Kimmis on 01362 668850 or Celia Daniel (Churchwarden) on 01362 668928.

The Rev'd Sally Kimmis

Reminder – a date not to be missed!. Our forthcoming Table Top Sale & Coffee Morning begins with a PREVIEW of goods on Friday 1st March between 2-3pm where you may reserve items and the doors open for the ACTUAL SALE on Saturday 2nd March 11pm.

Our motto for this event is **REUSE, RENEW AND RECYCLE**

Therefore to help with your household budgets items could start as little as 50p for small items and possibly for the larger household items i.e. roller blinds, flat screen TV, nearly new microwave, log effect fan heater, designer mirrors, up to £15 ono. Equipment could be tested on the day. Look out for the posters! (early birds also welcome) In aid of our Mission & Ministry work.

31st March - Remember Mum on Mothering Sunday

St Margaret's Church will of course be open as normal for quiet reflection and to give thanks to all our Mums for their love, wisdom, care and attention. You are remembered in our prayers.



CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Every 6 years each parish is required to update their Ecclesiastical Parish electoral roll and this falls due in April this year. Therefore I am writing this note to invite any current and new members of the parish who may wish to express / or renew their interest in Worthing Church, particularly having voting rights at elections during the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where you would be eligible to attend and familiarise yourself with the business of the Church. New application forms are now available from Christine Skipper tel: 01362 668927 so do give Christine a call who will explain the process etc.,

ADVANCE NOTICE: **EASTER SUNDAY DUCK RACE IN WORTHING – 21th APRIL/ STARTING AT 12noon**
INFORMATION & TICKETS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM CELIA DANIEL
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