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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 4TH APRIL 2021 EASTER SUNDAY



Opening Hymn (recorded service)

Thine be the glory
Risen conquering Son
Endless is the victory
Thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment
Rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave clothes
Where Thy body lay.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us
Risen from the tomb,
Lovingly, He greets us
Scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness
Hymns of triumph sing
For her Lord now liveth
Death hath lost its sting.

3. No more we doubt Thee
Glorious Prince of life
Life is naught without Thee
Aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conquerors
Through Thy deathless love,
Bring us safe through Jordan
To Thy home above.

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for Easter Sunday

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

The Reading from the New Testament – Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The Gospel Reading – John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb.

He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Esmé von Habsburg, Andrew West, Jenny Edwards, Deirdre West, Beryl Scott, Elizabeth Perkis, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Susan Wiltshire, Ian Aslett, Phil Gervait, Anne Smith, Sarah Neve, Chloe Grenier, Jean Talbot, Patrick Mills, Kate, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Anne Prout, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams, Ann Hayes, Giles Henry, Anthony Matthews, Betty Zachariah, Maureen Georges, Daniella Georges, Mervyn Peatfield, Gianpaolo Danieletto, Damian Leaney

The recently departed: David Reid, Caroline Jukes

Anniversaries of death this week: Tim Hudson (4th); Anne Smith (5th); Muriel Croll (5th); Peter Draper (5th); Winifred Hayes (6th); Jan Spry (7th); Bill Wood (10th)

Funerals this week: David Reid

Post-Communion Prayer

God of Life,

who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts Acts 4:32-35; John 20:19-end Related readings – 1 John 1:1-2:2; Psalm 133

CONTINUING PUBLIC WORSHIP

Numbers will continue be limited to around 30, depending on bubble groups. We will try until June without a booking system but please, each Sunday that you come, indicate which service you will attend the following week, to avoid too many people turning up for one service.

We revert to the pattern of two **Sunday Eucharists at 1000 and 1130** and a **Thursday Eucharist at 1000**.

SPECIAL EASTER APPEAL FOR OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this appeal. We have covered all the costs for Holy Week Journal Packs and Palm Crosses for all the children at St Margaret's School.

SUPPORTING THE FOODBANK



The shopping list on the Foodbank website hasn't been updated for a few weeks but please continue to bring what you can: non-perishable food and toiletries for men, women and children, please. Leave your donation in the porch on Sunday mornings or during private prayer opening hours:

Monday – Saturday 1400-1500

Financial donations can be made here:

https://thewhitehawk.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/

You can make your donation through online supermarket shops. More details can be found here: https://thewhitehawk.foodbank.org.uk/2019/06/21/ordering-food-delivery-foodbank/.

Please pray for the Foodbank and for the increasing number of people who rely on its services.

OUR GREAT MEDIEVAL MONASTERY – LEWES PRIORY

Looking back 900 years - new insights

Lewes Priory Trust's season of 16 short talks in four evening symposia **Online on Zoom**. Free of charge. All at 1930 - 2100 approx, including question time.

Symposium 1 Tuesday 4th May WHAT DID THE CLUNIACS EVER DO FOR US?

Symposium 2 Friday 7th May THE DESTRUCTION AND REDISCOVERY OF THE PRIORY

Symposium 3 Tuesday 11th May CARING FOR A HERITAGE SITE INTO THE FUTURE

Symposium 4 Friday 14th May WHAT THE LATEST RESEARCH IS TELLING US

Rounded off on Saturday 15th May with A GUIDED TOUR OF THE PRIORY REMAINS

Tour not via Zoom. £5 cash donation requested at assembly point:

gathering at Mountfield Road car park at 1430. Booking for tour opens 8th March.

To receive an invitation in April to register for the talks via Zoom, and/or to book the tour, email enquiries@lewespriory.org.uk

REGULAR GIVING TO ST MARGARET'S

If you are new to our church and are planning to become a regular worshipper with us – **welcome!** Our members give generously of their time, their talents and their wealth. If you have a particular **skill or interest** that you might be able to offer, please speak with Fr Anthony.

Please consider signing up to the **Parish Giving Scheme** of regular donations to support our day-to-day activities: forms are available on request.

Please also consider leaving a **legacy** to St Margaret's when writing your Will, and help to secure the building and our resources for future generations.

Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month

The church is being floodlit in the month of April by Giles Henry in celebration of Rosemary's significant birthday and many April family birthdays of people past and present.

Service 'phoneline - suggested donation £35.00 for a month

The Service 'phoneline is being sponsored in the month of April by Mary Hanna in thanksgiving for her membership of St Margaret's Church.

If you would like to sponsor the church floodlighting or the 'phoneline please contact Fr Anthony.