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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

PUBLIC WORSHIP IS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED

If you wish to receive Holy Communion, please listen to the recorded service at 1000 on Sundays then come to the church between 1100 and 1230.

You will be admitted by yourself, or as a couple, for brief prayers with Fr Anthony and Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

The church building is open for private prayer: Monday - Saturday 1400 – 1500

IT IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT THAT YOU MUST WEAR A FACEMASK WHEN COMING TO CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER OR SERVICES

By 1000 each Sunday there is a pre-recorded Service of the Word on our website www.stmargaret.org.uk
This will include the week's readings, a homily and intercessions.

Do share with those who do not have internet access that they can listen to the service on the 'phone by dialling **01273 92 12 32** at a standard call rate.

The service is also available on Alexa
First time: "Alexa, enable St Margaret's Church, Rottingdean"
Thereafter: "Alexa, open St Margaret's Church, Rottingdean"

Opening Hymn (recorded service) – Christ is made the sure foundation

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Reading from the New Testament – Colossians 1:15-20

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Gospel Reading - John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

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, Mary Wallace

The recently departed: Janet Gregory, Margaret Montagu

Anniversaries of death this week: Ellen Wilson (7th); Roger Jones (7th); Gwyn James (7th); John Ernest Jackaman (8th); Pamela Colclough (8th); Nigel Kitchen (9th); Julia Dyehouse (10th); Elizabeth Dacre (12th); Elsie Laflin (12th); Peter Eardley (12th); Bill Figg (13th); Mary Pratt (13th)

Funerals this week:

Post-Communion Prayer (for those who receive Communion)

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9 Related readings – 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6

SUPPORTING THE FOODBANK – UPDATED SHOPPING LIST

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/



Desperately needed this week: tinned vegetables (mixed, potatoes, carrots, peas); breakfast cereal, tinned meatballs, biscuits, tinned curry and chilli, Fray Bentos pies, toilet roll, tinned hot dogs, coffee, soup. 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.

Rottingdean Whiteway Centre - Treasurer needed

RWC is a thriving Community Centre in Rottingdean which, for over forty years, has been a meeting place for local groups, as well as offering rooms for hire and adult education courses on a wide range of subjects. In a normal year, during school terms, there are at least thirty courses running in the centre in art, history, archaeology, music, languages, current affairs and many other subjects. Turnover in 2020 has been reduced by about one third as a result of Covid19 and the closure of the Centre. We have offered courses mainly on Zoom for the last three terms.

RWC is a registered charity run by a Board of around twelve active trustees, all of whom are volunteers and unpaid. We have ten management committee meetings a year. We currently meet on the first Thursday of the month on Zoom. Our acting Treasurer is leaving because of family and work commitments, and we need a replacement to join our trustees in managing the finances of the Centre. The role would be suitable for someone from accountancy, bookkeeping or finance generally, but anyone who is organised, computer literate (MS Excel) and not daunted by working with figures would find it rewarding. The role is voluntary and unpaid. You don't need to have been a trustee before - we offer support and guidance. This is an opportunity for anyone who wants to make a contribution to the village and give something back to it. For further details about this role, please contact Lynn Hutchinson: lynn@rwc.org.uk

Church clock update – and thanks

COVID restrictions are preventing the contractors from completing the work to the clock so the hourly chime remains silent for now. Many thanks to a donor who wishes to remain anonymous for an extremely generous donation which will cover the cost of the new electronic masterclock, and to Giles and Rosemary Henry for their donation towards the cost of the work on the striking hammer: they make the gift to celebrate the birth of grandson Oscar, who was born on 8th January.

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 February by Sue Warner in memory of loved ones and Sally Phillips in loving memory of Freddie Kemp.

Service 'phoneline - suggested donation £35.00 for a month

The Service 'phoneline was sponsored in the month of January by Rosemary Baigent in loving memory of her dear husband Kenneth who died 21 years ago on 2nd December.

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