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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 31ST MARCH 2019
MOTHERING SUNDAY
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HYMNS THIS MORNING

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| ENTRANCE | 349 |
| GRADUAL | 341 |
| OFFERTORY | 748 |
| COMMUNION | 368 & 586 |
| FINAL | 692 |

BEFORE THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Quiet, please, from 0955

(a bell will be rung)

*"Talk to God before the service,
and to one another afterwards"*

*The Madonna and Child enthroned with St John the Baptist and an Angel
Alessandro di Mariano Filipepi, called Botticelli, and Studio
(Florence, 1445-1510)*

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for Mothering Sunday

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Reading from the Old Testament – Exodus 2:1-10

A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. ‘This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,’ she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, ‘Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?’ Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Yes.’ So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, ‘Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.’ So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, ‘because’, she said, ‘I drew him out of the water.’

The Gospel Reading – Luke 2:33-35

The child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, ‘This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.’

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: John Leech, Esmé von Habsburg, Andrew West, Susan, Jenny Edwards, Margaret Montagu, Deirdre West, Barbara Webb, Beryl Scott, Jean Johnson, Elizabeth Perkis, Sarah Neve, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Lily, Yvonne Goddard, Susan Wiltshire, Terry Bourne, David Sawyer, Jim Heath, Ian Aslett, Issam Geib, Phil Gervait, Mary Hanna.

The recently departed: Peter Eardley

Anniversaries of death this week: Liliás Blackman (2nd); Catherine Heath (2nd); Rose Leeming (3rd); Tim Hudson (4th); Anne Smith (5th); Muriel Croll (5th); Peter Draper (5th); Winifred Hayes (6th)

Post-communion Prayer

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS – LENT 5

Isaiah 43:16-21; John 12:1-8 *Related readings – Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14*



Urgently needed this week: Bags for Life (strong carrier bags), rice, tinned potatoes, nappies (all sizes), UHT milk. Many thanks for your ongoing support of the Foodbank. Please pray for its work, and for the increasing number of people who rely on its services and our donations.

Thank you!

Many thanks to all those who gave of their time yesterday to put together the Mothering Sunday daffodil posies. It's good to catch a glimpse of flowers in church during Lent!

Cyclone Idai Appeal

The UN predicts that this may become one of the worst weather-related disasters on record in the southern hemisphere. Hundreds have been killed and 2.6 million are affected. The Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) have set up an appeal and donations can be made at www.dec.org.uk/Cyclone-idai Please do keep this situation in your prayers.

School News - www.stmargaretscofeprimary.co.uk

The life of our church school is flourishing under the leadership of our Headteacher, Mrs Rachel Kershaw, who joined us in September 2018. Their weekly newsletter is available for all to read www.stmargaretscofeprimary.co.uk. You are welcome to attend school worship either in school or in church – check the back page of The Lookout for time and location. *Fr Anthony*

Stations of the Cross and frugal lunch

The sisters at St Martha's Convent would be delighted if members of our congregation would join them for the Lent devotion of Stations of the Cross and a very simple charity lunch continuing on these Thursdays in Lent at 12 noon: 4 and 11 April.

Lent Course 2019 – it's not too late to join the group!

We meet on Thursday afternoons during Lent in St Margaret's Cottage 1500-1700. The first hour is spent watching an episode of *Broken* together and then sharing discussion for about 45 minutes. Refreshments are provided. All are welcome!

Good Friday Children's Workshop

Join us between 1000-1200 on Good Friday, 19th April for crafts and activities to explore the Easter story and enjoy hot cross buns. Includes the making of our Easter Garden. Activities most suitable for children of primary school age (4-11yrs old) or a little younger - children must be accompanied by an adult. This will be fun for all the family! If you'd like to register your interest or if you'd like to help on the day please speak to Mthr Lucy.

Some good news – a grant and a donation

We are extremely grateful to the Sussex Historic Churches Trust for awarding us a grant of £8,000 towards the Tower repairs which will be carried out later this year. We still have a way to go to find our total of nearly £100,000. Many thanks to Belle Howard who put together the successful application and who is working on other grant applications.

Also, we have received an extraordinarily generous donation of £50,000 (plus 25% Gift Aid) from Colonel Alan Jukes, now in his 90s, whose father was Churchwarden here and who gave the garden of Norton House to become our Garden of Remembrance. The donation is restricted to the upkeep of the Garden and the Churchyard and may not be used for any other purpose. It will greatly help us with maintenance and repairs for the next 10 years or so. (Did you realise that it costs around £500 per month to maintain the Churchyard?) Many thanks to the Jukes family!

Floodlighting

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of April by Margery Lees in loving memory of her husband, Michael A. Lees RIP. If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting, we suggest a minimum donation of £32.50 for a month.

The Great Harvest Village Show

Schedules are now available at the back of the Church and in Rottingdean Library, The Whiteway Centre & Café Dean on Marine Drive at the cost of £1 each (or on our website). Please encourage friends, relatives, neighbours and any groups that you belong to to purchase a schedule and start sowing, sewing, growing, drawing, practising baking skills and/or taking photographs for this fun and exciting competition. All information is in the schedule.

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday 12th April at 1930 - Ovingdean Choral Society - Haydn 'Nelson' Mass and Te Deum

Tickets now available in church or from Café Dean on Marine Drive

Sunday 28th April at 1115 - Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Saturday 25th May at 1430 – Recital by John Mann and Cream Tea. Tickets will be £10

Sunday 16th June at 1430 – Mthr Lucy's Priestly Ordination at All Saints', Hove *(ticket only)*

Monday 17th June at 1900 – Mthr Lucy's First Mass *followed by a party*

Saturday 13th July at 1900 – 'The New Men'

The Academical Clerks of New College, Oxford

Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st July – St Margaret's Day celebrations

Saturday 27th July – Piano Recital by Dan Phelps

Saturday 3rd August – Village Fair

Saturday 17th August at 1930 – The Hanover Band *(programme to be confirmed)*

Friday 20th – Saturday 21st September – The Great Harvest Village Show

Saturday 19th October – English Music for Two Violas

Music by Dowland, Bridge and Rubbra

Peter Mallinson and Matthias Wiesner, both from the BBC Symphony Orchestra

CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

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| Sunday 31st | 0730 | Morning Prayer | 0800 Holy Communion |
| Mothering Sunday | 1000 | Family Parish Eucharist and Church Parade | |
| | 1700 | Evening Prayer | |
| Monday 1st April | 0910 | Morning Prayer | |
| | <u>1830</u> | Eucharist & Bible Study/Discussion | |
| Tuesday 2nd | 0910 | Morning Prayer | |
| | 1000 | Eucharist | |
| | 1030 | Singing Kettle <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i> | |
| | 1800 | Evening Prayer | |
| Wednesday 3rd | 0910 | Morning Prayer | |
| | <u>1430</u> | School Easter Service <i>in the Churchyard and Church</i> | |
| | 1800 | Evening Prayer | |
| | 1930 | Knit & Natter <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i> | |
| Thursday 4th | 0910 | Morning Prayer | |
| | 1000 | Eucharist | |
| | 1800 | Evening Prayer | |
| Friday 5th | <i>No public services today</i> | | |
| Saturday 6th | 1000 | Morning Prayer | |
| Sunday 7th | 0730 | Morning Prayer | 0800 Holy Communion |
| Lent 5 | 1000 | Family Parish Eucharist | <i>No Evening Prayer today</i> |