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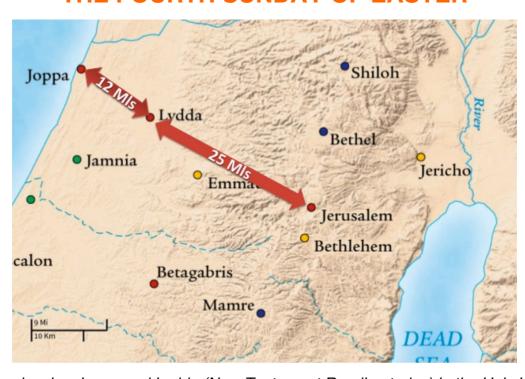
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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2019 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Map showing Joppa and Lydda (New Testament Reading today) in the Holy Land

HYMNS THIS MORNING

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ENTRANCE	629
GRADUAL	257
OFFERTORY	315
COMMUNION	282 & 637
FINAL	15

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 Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Reading from the New Testament – Acts of the Apostles 9:36-43

In Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Gospel Reading – John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

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, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Lily, Susan Wiltshire, David Sawyer, Jim Heath, Ian Aslett, Issam Geib, Phil Gervait, Mary Hanna, Anne Smith

The recently departed: Maude Kilvington, Yvonne Goddard, Liz Holder

Anniversaries of death this week: Dennis Thwaites (12th); Margaret Rowe (12th); Nick Denney (12th); Connie Wright (13th); John Perriton (13th); Glenn Coleman (13th); Daisy Stevens (16th); Donald Lipscombe (16th); Juilian Stevens (16th); Phyllis Field (17th); John Darling (18th)

Post-communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – EASTER 5
Acts 11:1-18; John 13:31-35
Related readings – Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6



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

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Please pray for the pilgrimage group as they continue on the journey and prepare to return on Thursday. They are praying for you in the holy places of Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem. Shalom!

School News

Please pray for our children, staff and governors. www.stmargaretscofeprimary.co.uk

Christian Aid Week 12th – 18th May 2019

Today is the beginning of Christian Aid Week. Envelopes should be in the pews – please give as generously as you are able and put your envelope in the plate at the Offertory or hand to one of the churchwardens. You might like to take a few envelopes to give to relations, friends or neighbours? Or you can donate by debit/credit card using the electronic Goodbox at the back of church.

Inspired By Burne-Jones: Saturday 8th June from 1600-1800

As part of the Stained Glass Exhibition being held at The Grange (Jun 4th-16th), which has attracted over 20 stained glass artists from all over the country, there will be some lectures in St Margaret's to celebrate the glorious windows that Burne-Jones created for the Church. Martin Knott, will be talking in more detail about the windows themselves, and Caroline Swash, one of the artists, whose grandfather worked with Burne-Jones, will be reflecting on Burne-Jones influence on the Arts & Crafts movement as a whole. Refreshments will be provided.

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.

Personal care required

Our friend and brother, Phil Dangerfield, who comes to church as often as he can now lives in a care home in Coldean but would like to be able to go to bed later than the home can accommodate. Please call 07557 650 275 if you know of anyone willing to assist him at 2200 each evening. He's offering £12 per hour. Personal care and use of hoist involved – training provided.

Floodlighting

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of May by Joyce Bourne in memory of her brother Brian and sister Christine. If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting, we suggest a minimum donation of £32.50 for a month to cover the cost of electricity.

GIVING TO ST MARGARET'S

If you are new to our church – welcome! Please consider signing up to the **Parish Giving Scheme** – a means of donating regularly by Direct Debit with automatic Gift Aid claims, adding 25% to the value of your gift at no extra cost to you. Forms are available at the back of church. 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. *Thank you*.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday 25th May at 1430 – Recital by John Mann and Cream Tea.

Tickets £10 on sale in church after services, at Café Dean on Marine Drive or from Joyce Bourne

Sunday 16th June at 1430 – Mthr Lucy's Priestly Ordination at All Saints', Hove

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 at 1900 – 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

Sunday 12 th EASTER 4	0800 1000	Holy Communion Parish Eucharist
Tuesday 14 th ST MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE	1000 1030	Eucharist Singing Kettle <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
Thursday 16 th	1000	Eucharist
Sunday 19 th EASTER 5	0730 0800 1000 1700	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Parish Eucharist & Children's Church Healing Service