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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE 2019 - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus saying farewell to his eleven remaining disciples from the Maesta by Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1308–1311

Many thanks to Marie Wilcockson for sponsoring The Lookout this week in loving memory of her husband Brian Wilcockson RIP

HYMNS THIS MORNING

ENTRANCE	108
GRADUAL	600
OFFERTORY	402
COMMUNION	680 & 77
FINAL	565

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 Seventh Sunday of Easter

O God the King of glory,

you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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 New Testament - Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The Gospel Reading – John 17:20-26

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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, Anne Smith, Gwendoline Lee

The recently departed:

Anniversaries of death this week: Albert Stenning (1st); William Simmons (5th); Jose Longworth (6th); Michael Hughes (7th); Margaret Cooper (8th); Pat Hollands (8th)

Post-communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - PENTECOST

Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17
Related readings – Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Romans 8:14-17



Urgently needed this week: Tinned fruit, hot dogs, Prince's tinned ham, toilet roll, biscuits, coffee, UHT milk, mayonnaise, jams/spreads, long life juice. 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.

Ecumenical Vespers for Pentecost

We are invited to join the congregation of Our Lady of Lourdes church for a special celebration of Vespers for the Feast of Pentecost on Sunday 9th June at 1800. It will be good if many of our own people can attend to reciprocate the wonderful turnout at our Advent Carol Service.

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

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

As part of the Stained Glass Exhibition being held at The Grange (4th-16th June), 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 focusing in more detail on the windows themselves, and Caroline Swash, one of the artists, whose grandfather knew Burne-Jones personally, will be reflecting on Burne-Jones influence on the Arts & Crafts Stained Glass as a whole. Refreshments will be provided.

Village Fair – Saturday 3rd August

Prizes are needed, please, for the Children's Tombola. Please see Joyce Bourne or Marie Wilcockson.

Open Garden

The beautiful gardens of Challoners, The Green, Rottingdean will again be opened on Sunday 7th July from 1130-1600. Admission will be by donation to Martlets Hospice. There will be a plant sale, refreshments, portrait drawing and light Columbian music at 1400.

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.

St Margaret's Women's Group – Monday 10th June at 1930

James Gardener on The History of the Brighton Workhouses. All are welcome.

Floodlighting

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of June by Jean Hughes in loving memory of her husband Michael RIP; also by Susan Gregory in loving memory of Connie and Alf Piper from their daughters, Susan, Sarah and family; also by John and Jackie Blackman in loving memory of John and Lilias Blackman. 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 and are planning to become a regular worshipper with us – 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.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday 16th June at 1430 – Mthr Lucy's Priestly Ordination at All Saints', Hove No ticket required. Please make your own transport/car share arrangements

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 at 1900 - Piano Recital by Dan Phelps Tickets £8

Saturday 3rd August – Village Fair

Saturday 17th August at 1930 – The Hanover Band

Haydn String Quartet Brahms Clarinet Quintet

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

Saturday 9th November – Quiz Night at the Village Hall

CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 2 nd EASTER 7	0730 1000	Morning Prayer Family Parish Eucharist		Holy Communion Evening Prayer
Monday 3 rd	0910	Morning Prayer	1830	Eucharist/Discussior
Tuesday 4 th	0910 1030	Morning Prayer Singing Kettle		Eucharist Evening Prayer
Wednesday 5 th St Boniface of Crediton	0910 (1000 1930	Morning Prayer School Service in School) Knit & Natter <i>in St Margar</i>		•
Thursday 6 th	0910 1800	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	1000	Eucharist
Friday 7 th	No public services today			
Saturday 8 th Thomas Ken	1000 1630	Morning Prayer Burne-Jones Lectures		
Sunday 9 th PENTECOST	0730 1000 1800	Morning Prayer Parish Eucharist Ecumenical Vespers at 0	0800 Our La	Holy Communion dv of Lourdes