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## **'THE LOOKOUT'**

**SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020**

**THE EPIPHANY**

### **CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> THE EPIPHANY</b>	0800	Holy Communion
	1000	<b>Parish Family Eucharist</b>
	1900	Feast of Fools Concert
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	1000	Eucharist
	1030	Singing Kettle <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	(1000	School worship)
	1800	Evening Prayer
	1930	Knit and Natter <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	1000	Eucharist
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>No public services today</i>	
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	1000	Morning Prayer
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> BAPTISM OF CHRIST</b>	0800	Holy Communion
	1000	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	1700	Evening Prayer

**BEFORE THE PARISH EUCHARIST**

**Quiet, please, from 0955** (*a bell will be rung*)

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

**HYMNS THIS MORNING**

<b>ENTRANCE</b>	<b>709</b>
<b>GRADUAL</b>	<b>574</b>
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>COMMUNION</b>	<b>78 &amp; 716</b>
<b>FINAL</b>	<b>626</b>

**The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the The Epiphany**

Creator of the heavens,  
who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child:  
guide and sustain us,  
that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Reading from the Old Testament – Isaiah 60:1-6**

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.  
Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.  
Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.  
Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

**The Gospel Reading – Matthew 2: 1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

## Prayers of Intercession

**The sick and those who care for them:** John Leech, Esmé von Habsburg, Andrew West, Jenny Edwards, Margaret Montagu, Deirdre West, Barbara Webb, Beryl Scott, Elizabeth Perkis, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Susan Wiltshire, Ian Aslett, Michael Moore, Issam Geib, Phil Gervait, Anne Smith, Gwendoline Lee, Chloe Grenier, Sarah Neve, Jean Talbot, Patrick Mills, Brian Doo, Alison Mason, Kate, Nikki Redman, Maureen Blakey, Martina Hallinan, Jill Brice, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Les Bower, Sheila Ball.

**The recently departed:** John Wrapson

**Anniversaries of death this week:** Kay Morvan-Toone (5<sup>th</sup>); Yvonne Lewis (5<sup>th</sup>); Elsie Goujon (6<sup>th</sup>); Elizabeth (Mollie) Davidson (8<sup>th</sup>); Arthur Montagu (9<sup>th</sup>); Victoria Whatley (9<sup>th</sup>); John Rowe (10<sup>th</sup>)

## Post-communion Prayer

Lord God,  
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:  
may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light  
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Isaiah 42: 1-9; Matthew 3: 13- end; *Related readings – Psalm 29; Acts 10: 34-43*



**Desperately needed this week:** washing-up liquid, tinned potatoes, razors, shaving foam, tinned meat, cereal, tuna chunks, chicken curry, nappies (size 3, 4, 5 and 6). You can now 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/>. 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.

## Four Deans Stroke Club

The proceeds of December's Christmas Tree Festival were shared between the Stroke Club and the church. And we have received this message from David Hunt on behalf of the club - "Thank you from The Four Deans Stroke Club for the donation of the £1500 towards the cost of our new minibus."

## Knit and Natter

Resumes on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 1930 all are welcome.

## Children's Church Pantomime Trip

On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 1400 the Children's Church will be having an exciting afternoon at the Rottingdean Drama Society pantomime *Robinson Crusoe*. The afternoon begins with a lunch at the Cottage and continues with the Matinée performance. Last year a group of young people and those who are young at heart came along so if you would like to join us please pick up a letter from the back of church or contact Mthr Lucy.

## **Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month**

*The church is being floodlit at night in the month of January by Lynn White in loving memory of her husband Chris RIP, by Liz and Chris & Dawn Davidson in memory of Chris and Liz's parents, and Carolyn Colpitts in treasured memory of her husband Philip and son Pip, always remembered with love everyday.*

## **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 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. You might also be interested in **sponsoring a concert** in our [Music at St Margaret's](#) series – sponsorship covers the cost of performers' fees and expenses and ensures that all monies raised from ticket sales can support the life and upkeep of our church. Thank you!

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

### **TODAY!**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 1900 – Brighton Early Music Festival (BREMf) Concert**

**The Feast of Fools** *This community performance combines medieval music performed by some of the country's best exponents, with spirited performances by local schoolchildren and dancers.*

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 1900 – 'Fount & Origin' Early Music Choir from Oxford University**

*This concert is generously being sponsored by Sally Phillips and Jean Talbot.*

*TICKETS: £10 Available after services on the door*

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 1700 - St John Passion - J.S. Bach**

*Sung in English. English Concert Singers, English Concert Orchestra Ensemble, soloists.*

*Conductor- Roy Wales*

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April - Ensemble Nova (Oxford University) Concert for Holy Week**

*Ash Wednesday to Easter in one evening.*

*Sponsorship is sought for this event.*

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Flower Festival**