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## **'THE LOOKOUT'**

# SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020

#### **EPIPHANY 2**

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

Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> EPIPHANY 2 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	0800 <b>1000</b> 1500	Holy Communion <b>Parish Eucharist</b> Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ecumenical service at Woodingdean Methodist Church
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	0910 1800	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b> St Agnes	0910 1000 1030 1800	Morning Prayer Eucharist Singing Kettle <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i> Evening Prayer
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	0910 1800 1930	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Knit & Natter <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	0910 1000 1800	Morning Prayer Eucharist Evening Prayer
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> St Francis de Sales Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL	No public services today No public service today	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> EPIPHANY 3	0800 <b>1000</b> 1700	Holy Communion <b>Parish Eucharist</b> Healing Service

#### 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**

ENTRANCE	108
GRADUAL	341
OFFERTORY	554
COMMUNION	368 & 175
FINAL	744 (T536)

#### The Collect (Opening Prayer) for Epiphany 2

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:

transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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 – Isaiah 49: 1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.' And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength — he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

#### The Gospel Reading – John 1: 29- 42

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God. 'The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God! 'The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

#### **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, Alison Mason, Kate, Nikki Redman, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Les Bower, Sheila Ball, Violet Simpson

The recently departed: John Wrapson, Audrey Lazarus, Brian Doo, Eileen Winchcombe

Please note that the funeral service for Audrey Lazarus takes place at 11am on Monday 20th January at The Downs Crematorium.

**Anniversaries of death this week:** Emma Ames (21<sup>st</sup>); Diane Lees (21<sup>st</sup>); Pauline Spry (21<sup>st</sup>); Gwenda Channer (22<sup>nd</sup>); Bessie Cruse (23<sup>rd</sup>); Diana Caffin (23<sup>rd</sup>); Ethel Hales (23<sup>rd</sup>); James Harrow (23rd); Sally Peatfield (23rd); Amelia Kenly (24th); Kathleen Catt (24th); Dilys Machan (24th); Carol Bowles (25<sup>th</sup>); Kim Swam (25<sup>th</sup>); Joan Snudden (25<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Post-communion Prayer**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - EPIPHANY 3

Isaiah 9: 1-4; Matthew 4: 12-23; Related readings – Psalm 27: 4-12; 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18



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 be found here can 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.

#### Brighton and Hove Deanery News - HELPING THE HOMELESS

Night Shelter Led by St Peter's, 14 churches working together have recently opened a year-round night shelter facility in St Patrick's Church, Cambridge Road. Volunteer shift workers are neededfor more information please visit St Peter's website www.stpetersbrighton.org

The Big Issue St Mary's Church Kemp Town) is the Deanery distribution point for the Big Issue magazine- a charity founded in 1991 to provide a "hand up- not a hand out" to people who are homeless. The vendors are good people who want to work and earn- please do not pass them by.

Brighton and Hove Street Pastors are a team of Christian volunteers who patrol the streets of central Brighton on Friday nights offering help and care to anyone in need. New members are sought- www.streetpastors.org/brighton

St Cuthman's Whitehawk Foodbank is a Trussel Trust project founded by Brighton churches. Food donations can be made using the St Margaret's Church food donation point- or you may find it more convenient to make a financial donation. www.thewhitehawk.foodbank.org.uk

Please pray for those that rely on the services provided... and the volunteers.

#### **Rottingdean Treasures**

A new exhibition of previously unexhibited items at The Grange Gallery from the 21<sup>st</sup> January- 2<sup>nd</sup> February open 1030-1600. With an illustrated talk given by John Cummings on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 1600 titled 'Rottingdean Preparatory School and its part in the Great War'.

#### 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!**

## Friday 28th February at 1900- Sing-a-long 'GREASE'

Come in costume and be prepared to sing and dance!

Saturday 14th March at 1700 – Highlights from Handel's Messiah and Mozart's Requiem

Sung in English. English Concert Singers, English Concert Orchestra Ensemble, soloists. Conductor- Roy Wales Tickets £16

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1930- Ovingdean Choral Society- Concert for Passion Sunday Maunder - Olivet to Calvary, Beethoven - 'Hallelujah' from Mount of Olives, Vaughan Williams - O clap your hands, Stainer - I saw the Lord

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April - Ensemble Nova (Oxford University) Concert for Holy Week Ash Wednesday to Easter in one evening. Tickets will be £10 Sponsorship is sought for this event.

#### Saturday 16th May- Victory Party Tea Dance

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

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July- Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham More details to follow.