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## 'THE LOOKOUT'

**SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

**SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**

### CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	0800	Holy Communion
<b>SUNDAY NEXT</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>BEFORE LENT</b>	1700	Healing Service
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	1000	Eucharist
	1030	Singing Kettle <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	1900	Ash Wednesday Liturgy with imposition of ashes
	1930	Knit & Natter <i>in St Margaret's Cottage</i>
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	0910	Morning Prayer
	1000	Eucharist
	1300	Memorial Service for Daphne Hall RIP
	1800	Evening Prayer
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>No public services today</i>	
	1900	Sing-a-long Grease in Church
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	1000	Morning Prayer
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	0800	Holy Communion
<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>1700</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>

## 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	680
GRADUAL	185
OFFERTORY	93
COMMUNION	445 & 337
FINAL	416

### **The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Sunday Next Before Lent**

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; 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 24:12-end**

The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

### **The Gospel Reading – Matthew 17: 1-9**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

### **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, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Les Bower, Sheila Ball, Anne Prout, Maureen Georges, Daniella Georges, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams

***The recently departed:*** Sheila Miles, Daphne Hall, John Coates, Stacy Cuthbert

***Anniversaries of death this week:*** Alfred Guile (23<sup>rd</sup>); Maisie Ribeyre (23<sup>rd</sup>); Margaret Hoskins (23<sup>rd</sup>); Ron Whitwell (24<sup>th</sup>); Ronnie Harris (25<sup>th</sup>); Sir Jack Hughes (28<sup>th</sup>)

## Post-communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Matthew 4:1-11; *Related readings – Psalm 32; 2 Romans 5:12-19*



**Desperately needed this week:** washing-up liquid, tinned potatoes, razors, shaving foam, tinned meat, cereal, tuna chunks, chicken curry, carbonara sauce, toilet roll). 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.

## CORONAVIRUS – ACTING RESPONSIBLY

The Diocese of Chichester, along with other Dioceses in the Church of England, has issued formal advice in relation to our responsibilities to contain the spread of the deadly coronavirus. At the Eucharist, **do not shake hands at the Peace:** simply nod and smile at your neighbours and say 'Peace be with you'. **The clergy are required to use anti-bacterial handwash** when preparing the bread and wine to be consecrated. Please **do not intinct/dip/dunk the consecrated host into the chalice:** if you do not wish to receive by drinking from the chalice, you may receive Communion in one kind only, the consecrated bread, which contains the fullness of Holy Communion. **Chalice administrators are asked to withdraw the chalice** from anyone who attempts to intinct their consecrated bread. **The clergy are advised not to shake hands** with people as they leave the church building. We've been through all this before and, although some people will be unhappy, that's the way it needs to be for the time being. We pray for those who have contracted the virus, those treating them, those researching a vaccine, the families of those who have died, and for the repose of the souls of the virus' victims. Thank you for your understanding. *Fr Anthony*

## Church Flowers – Good News!

I am delighted to announce that two members of our congregation, Sue Sparks and Teresa Reynolds, have agreed to work together to take over the overall church flower administration. Please make them welcome whilst they become familiar with the church flower diary. *Fr Anthony*

## Palm Crosses

Please return your palm crosses for burning in preparation for the Ash Wednesday liturgy at 1900 on 26<sup>th</sup> February. There is a basket at the back of church to put them in.

## Lent Course 2020

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February. This year during our Lent course we will explore 'prayer'. The course will run on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 1530-1630 in St Margaret's Cottage. The same sessions will also run on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March at 1830, in St Margaret's Cottage.

## Passiontide Quiet Day

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 1000-1530, Mthr Lucy will be leading a quiet day for the parish in St Dunstan's Chapel at Blind Veterans UK. The day will conclude the Lent course on prayer, however attendance at the weekly sessions is not compulsory for attending this day. More details will follow but please get the date in your diary.

## Deanery Confirmation 2020

The next Deanery Confirmation service will take place at St Paul's West Street on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 1930, led by the Bishop of Chichester. If you would like to be prepared for Confirmation please speak to Mthr Lucy.

## Parish Pilgrimage to The Anglican Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

Fr Anthony will be leading this pilgrimage that is being organised by Jackie Williams. Leaving Rottingdean on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July and return on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Cost (probably around £200) and further details available soon. A sign-up sheet is on the notice board for you to register interest.

## Churchyard Guide

Have you ever wondered who is buried around the Church? Mike Laslett has produced a fascinating guide to the Churchyard at St Margaret's with details of the burial places of 50 famous and interesting people spanning the last 400 years. The booklet was designed by Sarah Brice, to whom we are extremely grateful and costs £1, with all proceeds to Church Funds.

## Flower Festival 2020 – 'For All the Saints' - Friday 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020

We are starting the early preparations for the Flower Festival in June. Please can you let Duncan Ward or Mthr Lucy know if you can help with organizing refreshments for the three days, stalls in the grounds of the church on the Saturday, or if you are interested in arranging a display? We will be organising some workshops for the arrangers to give advice and build confidence. Further details can be found on our website. Application forms to display a floral arrangement are available at the back of the church. All funds raised will support the next urgent repairs to the Nave floor and general maintenance of St Margaret's Church.

## Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month

*The church is being floodlit at night in the month of February by Sally Phillips in loving memory of Freddie Kemp. And by Liz and Chris & Dawn Davidson in memory of Chris and Liz's parents.*

## SAVE THE DATE!

### ASH WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY

The beginning of the Holy Season of Lent - Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at 1900

### FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AT 1900 - SING-A-LONG 'GREASE'

*Come in costume and be prepared to sing and dance! Tickets £10 (under 16s £5) now available*

### SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AT 1930 - CONCERT FOR PASSION SUNDAY

#### Ovingdean Choral Society

*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 AT 1900 – CONCERT FOR HOLY WEEK

*Ensemble Nova (Young singers from Oxford & Cambridge Universities)*

#### 'Lent to Easter: A Choral Sequence'

*featuring MacMillan: Miserere and Victoria: Tenebrae Responses*

*Tickets will be £10*

*This Music at St Margaret's concert is generously being sponsored by Roy and Christine Wales, Peter and Margaret Hewetson-Brown, Margery Lees, Sally Phillips and Elizabeth Blackshaw*

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Victory Party Tea Dance in the Village Hall

**SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY AT 1600 – CONCERT BY THE (JUNIOR) GIRLS' CHOIR  
OF ST CATHARINE'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE** *Sponsorship is being sought for this event*

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

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