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'THE LOOKOUT'
SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2020
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**ALL PUBLIC WORSHIP IS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
AND BY ORDER OF HM GOVERNMENT THE CHURCH IS CLOSED.**

**Fr Anthony and Mthr Lucy will be saying prayers on behalf of the Parish at 0900 and 1700 each day.
Join us spiritually whether you are at home or at work.**

**On our website (www.stmargaret.org.uk) each Sunday by 1000 there will be a pre-recorded
Service of the Word led by Fr Anthony and Mthr Lucy. This will include the week's readings,
a homily and intercessions.**

**Do join us by listening at 1000 on Sundays or at some point in the week and encourage your
friends and neighbours to listen too. And pray with us, as we pray for ourselves, each other
and all those affected by the Coronavirus pandemic.**

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for Fifth Sunday of Lent

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 – Psalm 130

R: My Soul waits for the Lord

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! **R**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. **R**

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. **R**

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities. **R**

The Gospel Reading – John 11: 1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how

he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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, Lissy Mason, Kate, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Les Bower, Sheila Ball, Anne Prout, Maureen Georges, Daniella Georges, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams, Ann Hayes

The recently departed: Muriel Harrow, Harold Williams, Kathleen Hemsley, Terry Sheridan (Priest)

Anniversaries of death this week: Gerald Cooper (29th); William Snudden (29th); Michael Topping (29th); Andre Goujon (30th); Meryl Von- Habsburg- Toskana (30th); Jean Broom (30th); Liliias Blackman (2nd April); Catherine Heath (2nd); Rose Leeming (3rd); Tim Hudson (4th)

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – PALM SUNDAY

Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Matthew 27:11-54 *Related readings – Psalm 31: 9-16; Philippians 2: 5-11*

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER. FINANCIAL DONATIONS THAT HELP SHOPPING TO BE DONE BY THE FOODBANK CAN BE MADE HERE <https://www.givey.com/whfoodbank>

(Please note this page is a little temperamental so please do keep trying if you have difficulty.)



Desperately needed this week: rice pudding, tea, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, carbonara sauce, long-life juice, meatballs, curry sauce, tinned curry (chicken/ vegetable), 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.

COMMUNITY ACTION RESPONSE: COVID-19

5 things you can do to make a positive difference in your community



Rottingdean Community Action Response: Covid-19

Please do take a look at the Rottingdean Parish Council website for up to date information on all that is being done to support the local community at this time. Including a list of all those local businesses now doing take-away and delivery services. The information can be found by clicking on this link www.rottingdean-pc.gov.uk/community-action-response-covid-19

Self Isolation

If you find yourself in any need while in self-isolation please don't hesitate to be in touch with the clergy. There are members of our community prepared to help all those in need and those who are at risk or fearful. Whether you need food items dropping in, prescriptions collecting or a friendly chat on the 'phone, please be in touch.

If you have access to the Internet our website provides resources for prayer and up to date information on church activities, as well as an extended recording of the readings, sermon and prayers each week.

Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of March Elaine Bowden in loving memory of Iris Morgan. And in the month of April by Linda Hudson in loving memory of her husband Tim Hudson.

Don't forget that the clocks change this weekend!

Spring one hour forward Sunday morning.



The Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer 29th- 4th April

The Church of England order for Morning and Evening Prayer can be found online following this link: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/daily-prayer/morning-and-evening#mm008e7g>

or by downloading the Daily Prayer app.

Pray with Fr Anthony and Mthr Lucy at 0900 and 1700 wherever you are.

Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday 30 th March	Psalms: 73, 121 OT: Exodus 8: 1-19 Hebrews 11: 17-31	Psalms: 26, 27 OT: Jeremiah 21: 1-10 NT: John 11: 28-44
Tuesday 31 st	Psalms: 35, 123 OT: Exodus 8: 20-end NT: Hebrews 11: 32- 12: 2	Psalms: 61, 64 OT: 22: 1-5, 13-19 NT: John 11: 45-end
Wednesday 1 st April	Psalms: 55, 124 OT: Exodus 9: 1-12 NT: Hebrews 12: 3-13	Psalms: 52, 62 OT: Jeremiah 22: 20- 23: 8 NT: John 12: 1- 11
Thursday 2 nd	Psalms: 40, 125 OT: Exodus 9: 13- end NT: Hebrews 12: 14- end	Psalms: 42, 43 OT: Jeremiah 23: 9- 32 NT: John: 12: 12-19
Friday 3 rd	Psalms: 22, 126 OT: Exodus 10 NT: Hebrews 13: 1- 16	Psalms: 31 OT: Jeremiah 24 NT: John 12: 20-36a
Saturday 4 th	Psalms: 23, 127 OT: Exodus 11 NT: Hebrews 13: 17- end	Psalms: 128, 129, 130 OT: Jeremiah 25: 1- 14 NT: John 12: 36b- end
Sunday 5th PALM SUNDAY	Psalms: 61, 62 OT: Zechariah 9: 9-12 NT: Luke 16: 19- end	Psalms: 80 OT: Isaiah 5: 1-7 NT: Matthew 21: 33- end.

OT= Old Testament, NT= New Testament.