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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**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.**

**By 1000 each Sunday there will be a pre-recorded Service of the Word led by Fr Anthony and
Mthr Lucy on our website (www.stmargaret.org.uk). 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 the Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer,

you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may
raise us to eternal joy;

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 New Testament – Acts 17: 22- 31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

The Gospel Reading – John 14: 15- 21

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

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, Anne Prout, Maureen Georges, Daniella Georges, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams, Ann Hayes, Giles Henry

The recently departed:

Anniversaries of death this week: Phyllis Field (17th); John Darling (18th); Pat McCarrey (19th); Betty Johnson (20th); Doreen Kirk (20th); Janet Morrison (20th); Christine Fuller (21st); Bert Marsh (22nd); Barbara May Gilmour (22nd); Trevor Jenkins (23rd); Pat Commin (23rd)

Under current guidelines we are unable to gather with the family and friends of those from our community who have died to commend the departed to God's care and celebrate their lives at their funerals. We can, however, still pray from a distance for the departed and their loved ones as they gather to say their goodbyes. Each week we will list here the funerals that our clergy are taking.

Funerals this week:

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 1: 6-14; John 17: 1- 11 *Related readings – Ezekiel 36: 24- 28; Psalm 68: 1- 10, 32- end; 1 Peter 4: 12- 14; 5: 6- 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>



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



Covid-19 Helpful Telephone numbers

Rottingdean Community Local network of volunteers and help (1000-1900, 7 days a week)	01273 036 783
Hearing You Diocese of Chichester bereavement and Covid-19 pastoral support 'phonenumber (0900-1900, Monday- Friday)	01273 425 047
St Margaret's Sunday Service 'phonenumber A recording of the Sunday service for those who do not use the internet. (Please note this is the same service that appears on the website)	03000 11 00 20

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.

Christian Aid Week Sunday 10th - 16th May- it's not too late to donate!

Christian Aid Week has not been cancelled this year! This year's Christian Aid Week has all been online and it's not too late to make your donations. E- Envelopes are available online, on the Christian Aid website. **Please do check <https://www.christianaid.org.uk> to learn more about this year's campaign and to support it.**

St Margaret's Churchyard Commonwealth War Grave Tour

Chris Davidson and Mike Laslett have prepared a leaflet tour of the Commonwealth War Graves in St Margaret's Churchyard. The leaflet will be available later this week in the lych gate- do pick one up as you pass on your exercise, to learn more about the men remembered from both the First and Second World Wars. Thank you to Sarah Lawrence for her work in designing the leaflet. The leaflet tour is released this week supported by the Royal British Legion as we mark the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe day (8th May).

VE Day photographs

Thank you to those who sent in VE Day photographs. Unfortunately, there is a slight hiccup with the technology side, but we will endeavour to find some way of sharing the images. Mthr Lucy.

Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month

The church is being floodlit at night in the month of May by Marie Wilcockson in loving memory of her husband Brian, whose anniversary falls on 31st May.

Service phonenumber- suggested donation £35.00 for a month

The Service phonenumber has been sponsored in the month of May by Joyce and Terry Bourne.

If you would like to sponsor the church floodlighting or the phonenumber please contact Fr Anthony or Mthr Lucy.

The Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer 18th May- 24th May

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.

OT= Old Testament, NT= New Testament.

Day	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Monday 18 th May Rogation Day	Psalms: 65, 67 OT: Numbers 16: 1- 35 NT: Luke 6: 27- 38	Psalms: 121, 122, 123 OT: Deuteronomy 26 NT: 1 Peter 4: 1- 11
Tuesday 19 th May Rogation Day	Psalms: 124, 125, 126, 127 OT: Numbers 16: 36- end NT: Luke 6: 39- end	Psalm: 128, 129, 130, 131 OT: Deuteronomy 28: 1- 14 NT: 1 Peter 4: 12- end
Wednesday 20 th May Rogation Day	Psalms: 132, 133 OT: Numbers 17: 1- 11 NT: Luke 7: 1- 10	1st EP of Ascension Day Psalms: 15, 24 OT: 2 Samuel 23: 1- 5 NT: Colossians 2: 20- 3: 4
Thursday 21 st May ASCENSION DAY	Psalms: 110, 150 OT: Isaiah 52: 7- end NT: Hebrews 7:[11- 25] 26-end	Psalm: 8 OT: Song of the Three 29- 37 or 2 Kings 2: 1- 15 NT: Revelation 5
Friday 22 nd May	Psalms: 20, 81 OT: Exodus 35: 30- 36: 1 NT: Galatians 5: 13- end	Psalm: 145 OT: Deuteronomy 29: 2- 15 NT: 1 John 1: 1- 2: 6
Saturday 23 rd May	Psalms: 21, 47 OT: Numbers 11:16- 17, 24-29 NT: 1 Corinthians 2	Psalms: 84, 85 OT: Deuteronomy 30 NT: 1 John 2: 7- 17
Sunday 24 th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Sunday after Ascension Day)	Psalm: 104: 26- 35 OT: Isaiah 65: 17- end NT: Revelation 21: 1- 8	Psalm: 47 OT: 2 Samuel 23: 1- 5 NT: Ephesians 1: 15- end