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## **'THE LOOKOUT'**

**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2020**

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**ALL PUBLIC WORSHIP IS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**REGRETTABLY, THE CHURCH REMAINS CLOSED FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS BY UNANIMOUS DECISION OF THE PCC.**

MORE INFORMATION BELOW.

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](http://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 Second Sunday after Trinity**

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, 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 – Jeremiah 20: 7- 13**

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me.

For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!'

For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'

All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail.

They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

### **The Gospel Reading – Matthew 10: 24- 39**

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

### **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:*** Doreen Piggott, Will Dawson

**Anniversaries of death this week:** Hugh Jones (21<sup>st</sup>); Chloe McDermid (22<sup>nd</sup>); Norman Wallace-Metcalf (22<sup>nd</sup>); Bart Sweetman (24<sup>th</sup>); Chris Bowles (24<sup>th</sup>); Graham Myers (24<sup>th</sup>); Bill Skinner (25<sup>th</sup>); Arthur Maysey (25<sup>th</sup>); Connie Stringer (25<sup>th</sup>); Dennis Metherell (26<sup>th</sup>); John Wells (27<sup>th</sup>)

**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 – THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Jeremiah 28: 5- 9; Matthew 10: 40- end; *Related readings – Psalm 89: 1- 4, 15-18; Romans 6: 12- end.*

**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

<b>Rottingdean Community</b> Local network of volunteers and help (1000-1900, 7 days a week)	<b>01273 036 783</b>
<b>St Margaret's Sunday Service 'phonenumber</b> 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)	<b>03000 11 00 20</b>

## **Brighton Deanery churches**

You will be aware of the Government's announcement that places of worship may now be open for private prayer and for funerals, if it is deemed safe to do so. The Church of England and the Diocese of Chichester have also issued detailed guidance to parishes insisting that churches are only to reopen if it is considered safe in each particular locality.

The matter was discussed at length at an internet meeting of the clergy of all the parishes in Brighton on Tuesday. The discussion was wide-ranging and many factors were taken into consideration. The R-number, or infection rate of Covid-19 is reported as being higher in our area since the bank holiday weekend and the half term break when we saw our beaches and coastal paths packed with people. It has also been suggested that the number of hospital cases may be going in the wrong direction.

I fed all the information from that discussion to every member of the Parochial Church Council, those members of the congregation elected to represent the whole worshipping community. **They have unanimously decided that it is not yet safe to reopen St Margaret's church.** I realise that this will come as a disappointment to many but the health and safety of our volunteer base and of anyone who might enter the building is our primary concern. To date, only 6 of the other Anglican churches in the Brighton Deanery are going to try to reopen. The vast majority are remaining closed for now. We will keep the matter under review but do not want to take any risks that might put people in danger of becoming ill from this terrible virus. In the meantime we continue to keep church alive by praying hard and supporting each other and our neighbours.

The Rev'd Dr Anthony Moore

Vicar of Rottingdean

14 June 2020

## **Parish Giving Scheme**

If you would like to find out more about making a regular donation to support the mission and ministry of the St Margaret's please speak to Fr Anthony who can give you details of the Parish Giving Scheme. Some information can be found here <https://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk/>

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

*The church is being floodlit at in the month of June by Jill Brice in gratitude for the wonderful support my family, Fr Anthony, Mthr Lucy, the St Margaret's family and all my friends are giving me during these days of lock-down.*

## **Service phonenumber- suggested donation £35.00 for a month**

*The Service phonenumber has been sponsored in the month of June by Mary Hanna and also by David Hunt.*

*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 22<sup>nd</sup> June – 28<sup>th</sup> June

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
<b>Monday</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> June St Alban protomartyr of Britain	Psalm: 44 OT: Judges 2 NT: Luke 13: 1- 9	Psalms: 47, 49 OT: Job 19 NT: Romans 9: 1- 18
<b>Tuesday</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> June St Etheldreda	Psalms: 48, 52 OT: Judges 4: 1- 23 NT: Luke 13: 10- 21	Psalm: 50 OT: Job 21 NT: Romans 9: 19- end
<b>Wednesday</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> June Birth of John the Baptist Ember Day	Psalms: 50, 149 OT: Ecclesiasticus 48: 1- 10 NT: Luke 3: 1- 17	Psalms: 80, 82 OT: Malachi 4 NT: Matthew 11: 2- 19
<b>Thursday</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Psalms: 56, 57 (63*) OT: Judges 6: 1- 24 NT: Luke 14: 1- 11	Psalms: 61, 62, 64 OT: Job 23 NT: Romans 10: 11- end
<b>Friday</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> June Ember Day	Psalms: 51, 54 OT: Judges 6: 25- end NT: Luke 14: 12- 24	Psalm: 38 OT: Job 24 NT: Romans 11: 1- 12
<b>Saturday</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> June Ember Day	Psalm: 68 OT: Judges 7 NT: Luke 14: 25- end	Psalms: 65, 66 OT: Job 25- 26 NT: Romans 11: 13- 24
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b> Third Sunday after Trinity	Psalms: 52, 53 OT: Deuteronomy 15: 1- 11 NT: Acts 27: [13- 32] 33-end	Psalm: 50 OT: 1 Samuel 28: 3- 19 NT: Luke 17: 20- end