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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 5TH JULY 2020

FOURTH 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). 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 Fourth Sunday after Trinity

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass
through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord 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 – Zechariah 9: 9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the warhorse from Jerusalem;

and the battle-bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 11: 16- 19, 25- end

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and
calling to one another,

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;

we wailed, and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came
eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and
sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden
these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for
such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one
knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom
the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take
my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest
for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

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: Pamela Cruse

Anniversaries of death this week: Julie Cowell (5th); Frederick Vine (5th); Irene Bower (5th);
Michael Bingham (5th); Vaughan Willshaw (7th); Teddy Johnson (7th); Ernest Moppett (9th); Sheila
White (9th); Albert Weager (10th); Marcus Riggs (Priest) (10th); Marjorie Fowler (10th); Glenn Mishon
(11th)

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 – FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
 Isaiah 55: 10- 13; Matthew 13: 1- 9, 18- 23; *Related readings – Psalm 65;*
Romans 8: 1-11.

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
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

Voices in Exile

We are pleased as a church to have supported this Kemp Town-based charity which supports refugees, asylum seekers and those with no recourse to public funding with a grant of £2,000. Their funding from the Diocese was not forthcoming this year because many parishes, which rely heavily on venue hire for their main income, are not able to pay all or any of the parish share this year. The decision to support Voices in Exile was made by the Parochial Church Council with unanimous agreement. *Fr Anthony*

Two important notices, as broadcast last Sunday

Firstly, for personal reasons, Joyce Bourne has decided to step down as Churchwarden. Joyce has served on the PCC, as PCC Secretary and more than once as Churchwarden over the past 22 years. She has contributed so much to the life of St Margaret's especially in the areas of pastoral care and hospitality. We are all extremely grateful to Joyce for everything that she has given and achieved and I personally will miss her insight and wisdom. I hope it will not be too long before we can thank her publicly. We wish Joyce and Terry every blessing at this time.

Secondly, a statement from the Bishop of Chichester:

'We are living in unprecedented times and the challenges we face make new demands of us. The deployment of our clergy is one such challenge.

The parishes of Aldwick and Pagham represent a significant area of Bognor Regis. They have had gifted and stable ministry and will recognise in Mthr Lucy a priest they can trust and who will understand them.

Thank you to priest and people of St Margaret's, Rottingdean for all that you have contributed to the formation of this very gifted person. Please pray for her in the apostolic work that lies ahead. I am certain that for the rest of her ministry she will pray for you, with thanksgiving.'

So, Mthr Lucy is to leave us far sooner than any of us expected. This is a very significant opportunity for her and she is excited by it. In turn, I am very pleased to be supporting her in this decision and, as the Bishop says, it is a positive reflection on the church community here that she is considered to be so well-equipped to take this step forward in her ministry. Mthr Lucy's last Sunday will be 26 July. Please pray for her as she prepares to leave us for her secondment as Curate-in-Charge at Aldwick and Pagham.

Fr Anthony

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 July by Elaine Bowden in loving memory of her husband Graham.

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 6th July – 12th July

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 6 th July	Psalms: 80, 82 OT: Judges 13: 1- 24 NT: Luke 17: 20- end	Psalms: 85, 86 OT: Job 33 NT: Romans 14: 13- end
Tuesday 7 th July	Psalms: 87, 89: 1- 18 OT: Judges 14 NT: Luke 18: 1- 14	Psalm: 89: 19- end OT: Job 38 NT: Romans 15: 1- 13
Wednesday 8 th July	Psalm: 119: 105- 128 OT: Judges 15: 1- 16: 3 NT: Luke 18: 15- 30	Psalms: 91, 93 OT: Job 39 NT: Romans 15: 14- 21
Thursday 9 th July	Psalms: 90, 92 OT: Judges 16: 4- end NT: Luke 18: 31- end	Psalms: 94 OT: Job 40 NT: Romans 15: 22- end
Friday 10 th July	Psalms: 88, 95 OT: Judges 17 NT: Luke 19: 1- 10	Psalm: 102 OT: Job 41 NT: Romans 16: 1- 16
Saturday 11 th July St Benedict	Psalm: 96, 97, 100 OT: Judges 18: 1- 20, 27- end NT: Luke 19: 11- 27	Psalms: 104 OT: Job 42 NT: Romans 16: 17- end
Sunday 12 th June Fourth Sunday after Trinity	Psalms: 64, 65 OT: Deuteronomy 28: 1- 14 NT: Acts 28: 17- end	Psalm: 60 OT: 2 Samuel 7: 18- end NT: Luke 19: 41- 20: 8