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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 12TH JULY 2020
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
ALL PUBLIC WORSHIP IS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

WE'RE PLEASED TO SAY THE PCC HAS AGREED UNIANIMOUSLY
TO REOPEN THE CHURCH.
THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES FOR
PRIVATE PRAYER

MONDAY 1400-1500 WEDNESDAY 1400- 1500 THURSDAY 1400- 1500

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU.

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 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:

hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Reading from the New Testament – Isaiah 55: 10- 13

Amen.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

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: Baby Florence, Hermine de Clermont-Tonnerre, Pamela Cruse

Anniversaries of death this week: Eddie Rayner (12th); Joseph Martin (13th); Bertha Webb (14th); Donald Roper (14th); Ann Rivett (15th); Audrey Evans (15th); Evelyn Crossland (15th); Fred Ellis (15th); Patricia Kemp (17th); Elizabeth (Beth) Henbest (18th); Graham Bowden (18th)

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: Pamela Cruse

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – THE FEAST OF ST MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Wisdom 4: 10- 15; John 15: 18-21

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	01273 036 783
Local network of volunteers and help (1000-1900, 7 days a week)	
St Margaret's Sunday Service 'phoneline	03000 11 00 20
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)	

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 on the 28th June 2020

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 phoneline- suggested donation £35.00 for a month

The Service phoneline 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 phoneline please contact Fr Anthony or Mthr Lucy.

The Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer 13th July – 19th 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	Psalms: 98, 99, 101	Psalm: 105
13 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 1: 1-20	OT: Ezekiel 1: 1- 14
	NT: Luke 19: 28- 40	NT: 2 Corinthians 1: 1- 14
Tuesday	Psalms: 106	Psalm: 107
14 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 1: 21- 2: 11	OT: Ezekiel 1: 15- 2: 2
John Keble	NT: Luke 19: 41- end	NT: 2 Corinthians 1: 15- 2: 4
Wednesday	Psalms: 110, 111, 112	Psalm: 119: 129- 152
15 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 2: 12- 26	OT: Ezekiel 2: 3- 3: 11
St Swithun	NT: Luke 20: 1-8	NT: 2 Corinthians 2: 5- end
Thursday	Psalms: 113, 115	Psalms: 114, 116, 117
16 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 2: 27- end	OT: Ezekiel 3: 12- end
	NT: Luke 20: 9- 19	NT: 2 Corinthians 3
Friday	Psalm: 139	Psalm: 130, 131, 137
17 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 3: 1- 4: 1a	OT: Ezekiel 8
	NT: Luke 20: 20- 26	NT: 2 Corinthians 4
Saturday	Psalms: 120, 121, 122	Psalm: 118
18 th July	OT: 1 Samuel 4: 1b- end	OT: Ezekiel 9
	NT: Luke 20: 27- 40	NT: 2 Corinthians 5
Sunday 19th June	Psalm: 71	Psalm: 67
Fifth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Deuteronomy 30: 1-10	OT: 1 Kings 2: 10- 12; 3: 16-28
	NT: 1 Peter 3: 8- 18	NT: Acts 4: 1- 22