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## **‘THE LOOKOUT’**

**SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020**  
**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**The church building will be open  
at the following times for private prayer:**

**MONDAY - SATURDAY 1400-1500**

**We look forward to welcoming you!**

**IT IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT THAT YOU MUST WEAR A FACEMASK  
WHEN COMING TO CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER OR SERVICES**

Fr Anthony is saying prayers on behalf of the Parish at 0900 and 1700 each day.  
Join him spiritually whether you are at home or at work.

By 1000 each Sunday there is a pre-recorded Service of the Word  
on our website [www.stmargaret.org.uk](http://www.stmargaret.org.uk)

This will include the week's readings, a homily and intercessions.

Do share with those who do not have internet access that they can listen to the service  
on the 'phone by dialling **01273 92 12 32** at a standard call rate.

The service is also available on Alexa

First time: **“Alexa, enable St Margaret's Church, Rottingdean”**

Thereafter: **“Alexa, open St Margaret's Church, Rottingdean”**

*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 please pray for our church congregation, the wider community  
and all those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.*

## **The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Reading from the Old Testament – Ezekiel 33:7-11**

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die', and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?' Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

## **The Gospel Reading – Matthew 18:15-20**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among 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, Phil Gervait, Anne Smith, Sarah Neve, Gwendoline Lee, Chloe Grenier, Jean Talbot, Patrick Mills, Lissy Mason, Kate, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Anne Prout, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams, Ann Hayes, Giles Henry, Geoff Blakey

***The recently departed:*** Diane Matthes

***Anniversaries of death this week and last:*** Mike Jerrome (6<sup>th</sup>); Jill Evans (7<sup>th</sup>); Jean Pyle (7<sup>th</sup>); Albert Hilton (8<sup>th</sup>); Harold Lipscombe (10<sup>th</sup>); Mary Brown (10<sup>th</sup>); George Howard (12<sup>th</sup>); Micky Law (12<sup>th</sup>)

***Funerals this week:*** Diane Matthes

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (PROPER 19)

Genesis 50:15-21; Matthew 18:21-35

*Related readings – Psalm 103:8-13; Romans 14:1-12*

## SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER

Leave your donation in the porch on Sunday mornings or during private prayer opening hours:

Monday – Saturday 1400-1500

Financial donations can be made here:

<https://thewhitehawk.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>



**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.

### Weekday Eucharist

The Eucharist will be celebrated again this week on Thursday at 1000, especially for those who have been shielding or self-isolating in the past months. Please remember to bring your facemask to wear in church and be prepared to follow the directions of the steward. *Fr Anthony*

### Sunday Eucharist – we're getting too full!

It is good that more people are feeling confident about returning to church, but please do remember that numbers must be restricted. We originally said we could seat 30 people, and we should try to work to that number. So far, we have not had to turn anybody away but I'm afraid that we will have to if numbers are exceeding the safe limit. Please do not be offended! We are still operating on a first come, first seated basis, so please arrive in good time. If demand increases dramatically I will happily hold a second repeat service at 1130. Thank you for your understanding. *Fr Anthony*

### Church clock

Many thanks to those who responded to news about the plight of our clock in recent editions of The Lookout. Engineers are due to come this week to begin the repair work and the refurbishment of the clock face. The work is being carried out by the generosity of Mary Hanna, the Kemp family (in honour of Frederick Charles Kemp), Joy & Harold De Souza and Michael & Susan Greenslade. I'm not sure when the work will be completed so watch this ... face! *Fr Anthony*

### Christmas Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal

Yes, the Shoebox Appeal is taking place this year, although the number of boxes sent is likely to be substantially fewer than in previous years, and we are modifying procedures for obvious reasons. I am willing to deliver leaflets, provide shoeboxes and collect them when ready, which must be by 31<sup>st</sup> October. So please, as individuals, support the Appeal. If you prefer to donate cash instead of goods for the boxes or donate by cheque (payable to Link to Hope), I am also willing to collect, maintaining physical distancing, of course. Thank you. *David Hunt*

### Annual Parochial Church Meeting

We have rescheduled the meeting, at which Churchwardens and members of the Parochial Church Council are elected (where any vacancies have arisen), for Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7 p.m. Members of the church Electoral Roll are entitled to vote. If numbers exceed the limit required for safe 'social' distancing, we will hold the meeting in the churchyard.

## Fundraising

It was very good that we were able to raise the money for the urgent tower repairs relatively quickly. There are however quite a number of remaining repairs that were highlighted in the 2017 Quinquennial Inspection Report that will require our attention in the next couple of years: we may be spending a few more thousand pounds yet before we can sign off on that.

You will also remember that the Nave floor needs attention very soon: there is a serious problem with damp in the main body of the church and condensation/damp in and under the Nave platform. Tiles are coming loose and becoming potentially hazardous. This will be a very significant project. We also need to upgrade our toilet facilities (we have no accessible toilet or baby change facilities) and at this stage, we would be helped by a simple kitchenette. The cost of all this is likely to be in the region of £250,000 but even that would not make one accessible toilet that conforms to current legal requirements, and it would only give us one cubicle rather than the two we now have. The PCC has over the past 3 years been working with our Inspecting Architect to develop an exciting and more ambitious project costing in the region of £700,000 to be able to upgrade all our facilities and make the building fit for purpose and the flexible community resource that we wish it to be whilst retaining its beauty and integrity as a place of worship.

## GIVING TO ST MARGARET'S

If you are new to our church and are planning to become a regular worshipper with us – **welcome!** Our members give generously of their time, their talents and their wealth.

If you have a particular **skill or interest** that you might be able to offer, please speak with Fr Anthony.

Please consider signing up to the **Parish Giving Scheme** of regular donations to support our day-to-day activities: forms are available at the back of church.

Please also consider leaving a **legacy** to St Margaret's when writing your Will, and help to secure the building and our resources for future generations.

You might also be interested (when these things are possible again) in **sponsoring a concert** in our [Music at St Margaret's](#) series – sponsorship covers the cost of performers' fees and expenses and ensures that all monies raised from ticket sales can support the life and upkeep of our church.

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

*The church is being floodlit in the month of September by Elaine Eardley in loving memory of her husband, Paul, a priest, whose anniversary fell on 26<sup>th</sup> August.*

### Service 'phoneline - suggested donation £35.00 for a month

*The Service 'phoneline was 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.*