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'THE LOOKOUT'

SUNDAY 28TH MARCH 2021 PALM SUNDAY (HOLY WEEK BEGINS)



Opening Hymn (recorded service)

When I survey the wond'rous Cross On which the Prince of Glory dy'd, My richest Gain I count but Loss, And pour Contempt on all my Pride.

2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,Save in the Death of Christ my God:All the vain things that charm me most,I sacrifice them to his Blood.

3. See from his Head, his Hands, his Feet, Sorrow and Love flow mingled down! Did ever such Love and Sorrow meet? Or Thorns compose so rich a Crown?

4. Were the whole Realm of Nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my Soul, my Life, my All.

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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 – Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Gospel Reading – Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." 'They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Esmé von Habsburg, Andrew West, Jenny Edwards, Deirdre West, Beryl Scott, Elizabeth Perkis, Pippa, Jill Crossland, Susan Wiltshire, Ian Aslett, Phil Gervait, Anne Smith, Sarah Neve, Chloe Grenier, Jean Talbot, Patrick Mills, Kate, Martina Hallinan, Jean Hughes, Terry Bourne, Anne Prout, David Crofts, Jim Heath, Kathleen Williams, Ann Hayes, Giles Henry, Anthony Matthews, Betty Zachariah, Maureen Georges, Daniella Georges, Mervyn Peatfield, Gianpaolo Danieletto, Damian Leaney

The recently departed: David Reid, Caroline Jukes

Anniversaries of death this week: Gerald Cooper (29th); William Snudden (29th); Michael Topping (29th); Andre Goujon (30th); Meryl von Habsburg-Toskana (30th); Jean Broom (30th); Lilias Blackman (2nd April); Catherine Heath (2nd); Rose Leeming (3rd); Tim Hudson (4th)

Funerals this week:

Post-Communion Prayer (for those who receive Communion)

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 Related readings – Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

RESUMING PUBLIC WORSHIP – HURRAY!

We resume public worship this week. Numbers will be limited to 30 and we are operating a booking system. Please contact Heather Butler to reserve your place: 01273 301 540.

Maundy Thursday - Eucharist at 1000

Good Friday – church open for private prayer & devotion from 1200-1500 (*no booking required*) **Holy Saturday** – a simple Easter Vigil at 1900

Easter Sunday – Holy Communion (BCP) at 0800; Eucharists at 1000 (*fully booked*) and 1130 Thereafter, we will revert to the pattern of two **Sunday Eucharists at 1000 and 1130** and a **Thursday Eucharist at 1000**. It would be helpful if you would please indicate which of the

Sunday services you plan to attend.

The PCC is also working to ensure that provision will be available for post-service coffee in church as soon as such gatherings are permitted, probably in June. If you have any questions or concerns about these arrangements or about our Development Plan, please don't hesitate to be in touch. We will publish architect's plans and drawings as soon as we have them. *Fr Anthony*

SPECIAL EASTER APPEAL FOR OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Thank you to those who have already contributed. We are looking to raise about £350 to help tell the Easter story to the children of our wonderful school. We are partnering with Brighton & Hove City Mission who will supply Holy Week Journal Packs. The pack contains a six-day journal for the children to complete, as they read about the life of Jesus from when he entered Jerusalem to his resurrection. The children will be encouraged to complete activities each day and will be presented with a chocolate egg to enjoy on Easter Sunday. Children, and hopefully parents too, will learn what Easter is truly about. We have also ordered palm crosses from African Palms and each child will receive one of these too. Can you help, please, with a donation to the appeal?

SUPPORTING THE FOODBANK



The shopping list on the Foodbank website hasn't been updated for a few weeks but please continue to bring what you can: non-perishable food and toiletries for men, women and children, please. 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/

You can make your donation through online supermarket shops. More details can be found here: <u>https://thewhitehawk.foodbank.org.uk/2019/06/21/ordering-food-delivery-foodbank/</u>.

Please pray for the Foodbank and for the increasing number of people who rely on its services.

OUR GREAT MEDIEVAL MONASTERY – LEWES PRIORY Looking back 900 years - new insights

Lewes Priory Trust's season of 16 short talks in four evening symposia **Online on Zoom**. Free of charge. All at 1930 - 2100 approx, including question time. **Symposium 1** Tuesday 4th May WHAT DID THE CLUNIACS EVER DO FOR US? **Symposium 2** Friday 7th May THE DESTRUCTION AND REDISCOVERY OF THE PRIORY **Symposium 3** Tuesday 11th May CARING FOR A HERITAGE SITE INTO THE FUTURE **Symposium 4** Friday 14th May WHAT THE LATEST RESEARCH IS TELLING US **Rounded off on** Saturday 15th May with A GUIDED TOUR OF THE PRIORY REMAINS Tour *not* via Zoom. £5 cash donation requested at assembly point: gathering at Mountfield Road car park at 1430. Booking for tour opens 8th March. To receive an invitation in April to register for the talks via Zoom, and/or to book the tour, email enquiries@lewespriory.org.uk

REGULAR 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 on request.

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.

Floodlighting – suggested donation £32.50 for a month

The church is being floodlit in the month of March by Elaine Bowden in loving memory of Iris Morgan RIP whose anniversary falls on 7th March.

Service 'phoneline - suggested donation £35.00 for a month

The Service 'phoneline is being sponsored in the month of March by an anonymous donor in thanksgiving for the audio services.

If you would like to sponsor the church floodlighting or the 'phoneline please contact Fr Anthony.