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'THE LOOKOUT' SUNDAY 14TH JANUARY 2018 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY



Many thanks to Mark Danielle to for this photograph taken at the Colca Canyon, Peru and for sponsoring this week's Lookout in memory of his mother, Ethel, who died a year ago today. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

HYMNS THIS MORNING

Entrance	101
Gradual	16
Offertory	740
Communion	600 & 288
Post-communion	743

BEFORE THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Quiet, please, from 0955 (a bell will be rung)

"Talk to God before the service, and to one another afterwards"

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Second Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory;
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 Old Testament – 1 Samuel 3:1-10

The boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

The Gospel Reading – John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Jan Francis, Jill Crossland, Mick Hughes, Peter Leigh, Irene Skinner, Dudley Tee, Rupert Webb, Deirdre West, Beryl, Lily Windham, Brian West, Tim Juniper, Andy Chapman, Lisa, Judith Sweet-Escott, Katy Ross, Glenn Moon, Margaret Connery, Rachel, Gill, Margaret Montagu, Terry Murnane (priest), Pippa, Tracy, Lloyd, Margaret Yellop, Brian Parsons, Don, Helen, Margaret, Josephine, Valerie Grant, Arthur Collins

The recently departed: Elizabeth (Mollie) Davidson, Geoffrey Redfern

Anniversaries of death this week: Ethel O'Connor (14th); James Hillson-Mitchell (14th); John Poulter (14th); Freddie Dyehouse (15th); Alfred Garrett (priest) (15th); Edward Bowles (15th); Ron Lane (15th); Tom Jones (15th); Ernest Higley (17th)

Post-communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS (EPIPHANY 3)

Genesis 14:17-20; John 2:1-11

(Related readings: Psalm 128; Revelation 19:6-10)

Children's Church

The next three sessions will be on:

28th January (Candlemas) 11th March (Mothering Sunday) 25th March (Palm Sunday)

Children and young people are, of course, welcome at all our services, together with their parents or guardians. We continue to look for more helpers to run the sessions. If you might be interested, please have a word with Fr Anthony.

Thank you

Our Midnight Mass collection for '**Off the Fence**' totalled £465.64. The charity provides essential support and works with young people, women in crisis and those facing homelessness in Brighton & Hove. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you too to those who supported the Christmas '**Link to Hope**' Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal. 167 boxes were collected from the Rottingdean area with an overall total of 43,966 boxes distributed in Romania, Moldova, Bulgaria and Ukraine. Please pray for these charities and those whom they serve.

Curry Evening

Please do sign up for the curry evening on Friday 2nd February at 1830 for 1900 in St Margaret's Cottage. There are still places for a 3-course curry supper, the cost of which is £15. See the notice in the porch or have a word with Joyce Bourne.

Service of Christian Unity

Please do make a special effort to join with the Deans Group parishes and our ecumenical friends for a service of Christian Unity on Sunday 21st January at 1800 at The Holy Cross, Woodingdean.

Choral Evensong – an invitation

The Choir of Chichester Cathedral will be singing Choral Evensong at the Church of the Ascension, Peacehaven on Sunday 4th February at 1600. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Church Hall. All welcome. Please let Caroline Farrant know if you would like to attend: cmaryf@icloud.com or 'phone 01273 579 332.

Whitehawk Foodbank

The Foodbank is very grateful for all your donations but they are currently awash with pasta, soup, baked beans, beans and pulses. At the moment they urgently need toiletries and other cleansing items (washing powder, washing-up liquid, men's deodorant, women's deodorant, shaving foam and shampoo).

Supporting our School

St Margaret's School will be having a slot in the Tesco Bags for Help Programme which will run until the end of February. Rottingdean, Peacehaven, Lewes and Seaford Tesco stores will have voting points in their stores. Please ask for a small green coin when you make a purchase from Tesco and when you have it, pop it in the 'St Margaret's School' slot!

Church Flowers

We are looking for new volunteers to join our splendid church flower team. Please be in touch with Bernie Baldock if you might be interested: hallinanb@hotmail.com or mobile 07800 938933 - please leave a message and Bernie will get back to you with more details.

Floodlighting

The floodlighting of the church in the month of January is generously sponsored by Fidelma Ormiston in loving memory of Michael Ormiston RIP. *If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting, we suggest a donation of £30 for a month.*

CHURCH SERVICES & EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 14th January EPIPHANY 2

0730 Morning Prayer
0800 Holy Communion (Common Worship Order 2/BCP)
0915 Choir Practice
1000 Parish Eucharist & Children's Church
(1200 Communion Service at Gate Cottage)
1700 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 16th

1000 Eucharist
1030 'Singing Kettle' - coffee, cake and chat *St Margaret's Cottage*

Wednesday 17th

No School Service today
1830 Eucharist & Bible Study/Discussion on the Gospel
1930 Knit & Natter *St Margaret's Cottage*

Thursday 18th

1000 Eucharist

Sunday 21st

0800 Holy Communion (Common Worship Order 2/BCP)
0915 Choir Practice
1000 Parish Eucharist

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 11th February at 1800
'Tell Me The Truth About Love'

A reflection on Affairs of the Heart
through Musical Musings and Words of Wisdom as Valentine's Day approaches
Performed by our friends from London's West End

Tickets will be on sale for £15 from 15th January at madwaxcandles and in church on Sundays

Friday 30th March (Good Friday) at 1800
Pergolesi Stabat Mater & other works

*Nic Houghton (organ), Ellie Blackshaw (violin), James Shenton (violin),
Raghad Haddad (viola), Paul Gregory ('cello),
with singers from Trinity College of Music, London*