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67 HIGH STREET BY 5PM THURSDAY

Sunday 8 December 2013 Second Sunday of Advent

Music for the Parish Eucharist

Advent Service Books

Entrance	619
Offertory	288
1. Comm	117
2. Comm	60
Final	550

This Week beginning 8 December 2013

Tuesday

10.00am	Holy Eucharist
10.30am	Singing Kettle in the Cottage

Wednesday

7.30pm	Blue Christmas Service
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Friday

10.00am	Holy Eucharist
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Next Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Eucharist

Readings for the Parish Eucharist

First Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son;
he shall govern your people with justice
and your afflicted ones with judgment. ®

Justice shall flower in his days,
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.
May he rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth. ®

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,
and the afflicted when he has no one to help
him.

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT MARGARET ROTTINGDEAN

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He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;
the lives of the poor he shall save. ®

May his name be blessed forever;
as long as the sun his name shall remain.
In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed;
all the nations shall proclaim his happiness. ®

Second Reading: Romans 15: 4-9

Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12

Please pray for all who have asked for our prayers

Nick Alwyn, Beatrice Arrowsmith, Betty Binder,
Michael Burnage, Ann Couzens, Jill Crossland,
Audrey Deaves, Jill Dogherty, Harry Draper,
Marjorie Draper, Mary Dyer, Margaret Evans, Gill
Galloway, Muriel Harrow, Sergio Hoyo, Mick
Hughes, Josie Kemp, Cath McLean, Iris Money,
Nick Oldham, Reg Renaut, Elvi Rhodes, Katy
Ross, Hazel Ruane, Alan Simpson, Dudley Tee,
Brian Wilcockson, Bill, Despina, Geraldine, Glenn,
John, Melissa, Nicky, Richard, Sandra and Tess.

*Please keep us informed if people are to be placed on the
prayer list and equally importantly please tell us when they
should be removed.*

Please remember those whose anniversary of death occurs this week

Caroline Ellis, Frederick Fearman, Ronald Field,
Gladys Green, Peter Hampton, Arthur Jones
(Priest), Amy Longmore, Harold Milne, Nellie
Openshaw, Arthur Renaut and Jack Revett

And those who have died recently

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

The Parish Eucharist

A bell will be rung at 9.25am, this signals the time
for all of us to be quiet and have contemplation
and prayer before the Eucharist starts.

Iona Service – Today

3.00pm. Reflective service, please support.

NOTICES

Events at The Church on The Green

Christmas at St Margaret's

Wednesday 11 December

7.30pm: Blue Christmas

Sunday 22 December

6.00pm: Service of Nine Lessons & Carols

Christmas Eve: Tuesday 24 December

5.00pm: Children's Crib Service

Christmas Day: Wednesday 25 December

Midnight: Midnight Mass of Christmas

10.00am: Parish Eucharist for Christmas Day

The Singing Kettle

The Singing Kettle is open every Tuesday at 10.30am in St Margaret's Cottage. Come and join us for coffee and chat. Transport can be arranged. If you can help, please see Joyce or phone her on 307144 to choose a date.

Tuesday 10 December: Carols and Christmas songs in Church, 11.30am, following this lunch will be available in the Cottage at £5 per head.

Tuesday 17 December: Mince pies & mulled wine at the usual time. All are welcome.

Tuesday 14 January: Annual Lunch at the Saltdean Tavern. The list will be up in the next week or two. Put the date in your diary.

Church Floodlighting

To sponsor the floodlighting for a month, please see Elaine in the Church Office. Floodlighting for December is In Loving Memory of Roderick McKenzie, Peter Stringer & Carl Nye. Frank & Margaret Peatfield and David & Katie Ferguson. In Celebration of Geoff & Maureen's Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

Knit & Natter – No meeting this Wed 11 Dec

We *will* meet on Wednesday 18 Dec & then close until Wednesday 8 Jan 2014.

Junior Church Christmas Party

All children are invited to the Cottage on Sunday 22 December from 4.30-5.45pm. Please come and if you want bring your mums & dad's prior to the Carol Service in Church at 6pm.

Restoration Appeal – Christmas Raffle

Please buy your tickets from Pamela Wright for the Christmas raffle. Draw to take place in the Cottage on Sunday 22 December.

Gift Aid – This costs us nothing!

If you are a regular giver and a taxpayer it would be beneficial to Gift Aid your weekly giving to St Margaret's. For example if you give £5.00 per week, under the Gift Aid scheme our Parish receives £6.25. Please contact Peter Wright or Elaine in the Church Office for more information.

Church Restoration

Due to the extraordinary generosity of our church community together with folk in the village and beyond we are going to be able to begin and complete the rewiring and lighting of the church, install a new heating system, redecorate the interior and bring in a new floodlighting system to the church. Many of you know that we have to close the Church after the Parish Eucharist on Sunday 5 January for ten weeks. **For health and safety reasons no one will be able to enter the building from the day of closure. Joyce Bourne our Churchwarden is asking that all sets of church keys be handed in to her to be held until the church re-opens.** Whilst the church is closed the midweek Eucharist will take place in the Cottage at 10am on Tuesday and Friday mornings. On Tuesdays the Singing Kettle will start serving coffee at 10.30am. On Sunday mornings the 8.00am Holy Communion Service will take place in St. Margaret's Cottage. However, the Cottage is not big enough for us to hold the Parish Eucharist there and so we are going to be using Saint Margaret's School for the main service in our Parish. Sunday School will also take place at school. I have heard that there are doubts that people will come up to the school for the Parish Eucharist and I hope this is not the case. It is important for us to maintain the momentum of parish worship and I would be very hurt to find that our numbers dropped significantly because of the short change of venue. The school has very adequate parking facilities and we are going to have a couple of cars at the bottom of Whiteway Lane to give lifts to those who may need them. The last lifts will leave the bottom of the Lane at 9.25 am. During our period of closure if there are to be any funeral services followed by burial in our Churchyard the services will take place at the Blind Veterans Chapel. Blind Vets UK have kindly given permission for this. It is a wonderful achievement to have raised the money for the project [taking into account monies still to be raised next year]. As we approach the start of the project hope you will pray for its success and that we will support each other in what is going to be a difficult but I suspect very satisfying time. Fr. Martin