

Hastings Old Town Parish of St. Clements and All Saints
One Modern Parish - Two Medieval Churches
PEWS NEWS

Pews News for: 14th March 2021
4th Sunday of Lent
Priest-in-Charge (part time)
The Reverend Paul Hunt BA, MA, MTh.
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10.00am Parish Eucharist
Rev Paul Hunt

Reader: Dr Pat Lock Tel 754264.

Honorary Assistant Priests:
Brother Aelred Partridge OC.
The Reverend Canon Keith Pound 428330.

Authorised Lay Ministers:
Sandra Bentall 721874.
Natalie Broomfield-Hill 715693.
Keith Leech 716576.

Director of Music.
Malcolm Lock 07801068156.

Churchwardens:
Gareth Bendon 436934;
Judy Cubison 457194;
Pat Lock 754264;
Ann Wing 420499.

Safeguarding Officer:
Pat Lock (as above).

Parish Administrator Jean Donaldson.
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Electoral Roll: This is open to anyone who lives outside the parish and who has been a regular worshipper here for at least six months and to any baptized member of the Church of England who lives within the parish boundary whether they worship here regularly, occasionally or not at all. The roll currently stands at 89. The end of year target is 100. The Roll is one indication of the wider support a church enjoys in the community and is a factor in grant applications. Please contact Jean Donaldson if you think you may not be on the Roll but should be or know someone who isn't on the Roll but ought to be.

Sunday attendance: Another target is to increase our average Sunday attendance to fifty by the end of the year in order to demonstrate our viability as a parish. The number of worshippers in church doesn't tell everything about the spiritual life of a parish but it is a visible indication. There were thirty-seven worshippers last Sunday, an increase of seven since our last Sunday Service in St Clement's in September. There are obviously people who are shielding and no-one should feel under pressure to attend. But you will literally count if you are able to come!

No Mothering Sunday posies, alas: There are no posies available today because of the covid-19 health protocol concerning the amount of handling involved. We look forward to their return next year.

What are your thoughts about Meghan, Duchess of Sussex? Paul Hunt's latest *Hastings in Focus* column is now on-line at [Hastings In Focus – Better news for Hastings](#)

Diary Date: Sunday, 7th November at 4 p.m. Assuming that the pandemic will be in serious retreat by the autumn (despite whatever rearguard action it may put up over next winter), a Civic Service will be held at St Clement's to remember borough residents who have died from Covid-19 and to give thanks for the work of our scientists, key workers and everyone who looked out for their neighbours. Our Mayor, Deputy Mayor and MP have already confirmed their attendance.

Donations towards the cost of Easter Flowers would be warmly welcomed. Please talk to Eve if you can help.

USPG This year the collection raised £81.77.
Thank you to Eve for organizing this.

THE YEARS MIND.

Josefa Alvanez-Sanchez (Mama),
Donald Smith, Kate Wells, Rosie Adie, Jo Jones,
James Read, Irene Mead, Hilda Averstedt, Brian Moore.

PRAYING ROUND THE PARISH.

All who live, work and worship in the
Old Town Parish.

The Annual Parish Church Meetings: These will be held towards the end of May and the date will be agreed at Tuesday's PCC.