



Parish of St. Richard of Chichester
with Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham
Parish of St. Peter, the Witterings

27th Sunday of Year C

7th October 2007

Thought for the Week:

St. Paul reminds Timothy to 'fan into a flame' the gift that God has already given to him. This is the task handed on to us and it is especially relevant to those who are young, impressionable and whose faith may be fragile. In this newsletter we are including the feedback from the 'youth questionnaire.' The responses were positive but far from overwhelming! The responsibility of forming the next (and current) generations in the faith does not only lie with parents, but with the whole community. In the Gospel, the apostles ask the Lord to increase their faith. We need that prayer - firstly, for ourselves, but also to that we can share that faith with others. When faith is shared it is not diminished but strengthened. Sharing our faith with people of all ages builds community and strengthens the Body of Christ.

Collection for Retired Priests

We have 48 retired priests in the Diocese who have given many years of service to us. The Diocese provides accommodation and pastoral care. Care for the elderly is costly and in 2006 the Diocese spent £265,000 on our retired priests. Your opportunity to help is via the second collection TODAY. Please show your usual generosity. *Can be gift-aided.*

'UNDERSTANDING CAFOD'

Mon 8th Oct. from 10.00am to 4.00 pm to be held in St. Richard's Parish room. Please bring a packed lunch.

Eucharistic Ministers

will be re-commissioned at all Masses this weekend. Please ensure that you sign the list in the sacristy after Mass.

Response to Questionnaire on Youth

Provision in the parish: The meeting on 19th Sept was attended by 13 adults and 13 young people from 5 families and the issues of the involvement of young people in parish life, faith development and the confirmation programme were discussed. It was felt that the recently started youth group was a good initiative which was very much enjoyed by the younger end of the age range. It was agreed that there should be a Youth Council established to give young parishioners a means of developing initiatives with adult support. Some of the young people present agreed to take this forward.

Eucharistic Ministers Day of Recollection

Please could you return your completed questionnaires which were given out on the Day of Recollection. This is the first initiative regarding the alterations to the church, and feedback is vital to our progress.

Bosham Ecumenical Prayer Group

Meet again at 3pm on **Mon. 8th Oct.** at 5 Marcuse Fields, Bosham. Newcomers always welcome.

Confirmation Programme: 2007/08

Our preparations start on **Tues. 9th Oct. at 7.30pm** in the parish rooms with a meeting for parents and candidates. It is vital that they both attend! If the candidate attends Mass regularly and would like to explore his/her faith further, please complete an application form and return it to the Parish Office.

Bosham Bring & Buy Sale

Sat. 13th Oct. at Bosham Church. It's next weekend! Please return raffle tickets stubs and money to the Parish Office, via the collection. If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact Niall Brennan on 572934 or leave items at the Parish Office. Money raised for **Fr. Joe Kengah's Mission.** His **25th Anniversary of Ordination** is in October. A card is available for you to sign and will be taken to Kenya by two members of our Parish later in Oct.

Things needed please

Whilst they are with Fr. Joe, Ros and Susan will be visiting Women's groups. They would like to take with them reels of cotton and packets of sewing needles as they are very welcome gifts. If you can help, please leave them in the basket in the porch. Thank you.

Barn Dance at Bosham

Sat. 3rd Nov. 7.30pm - 11pm at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Bosham. Caller: Helen Floyd. Admission by programme £6 beforehand, £7 on the night (numbers permitting) includes Ploughman's Supper. Contact: Marion 792372 or Finola 572934. If you would like to donation a prize for the raffle please contact Angela on 374390.

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SPUC Meeting

The Chichester & District Branch of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will meet again on **Wed. 17th Oct. at 7.30pm** in the John Bosco room in the parish centre of Our Lady of Sorrows Church Clarence Road, Bognor Regis. All are welcome.

Christian Aid

The Wednesday soup lunches at Christchurch will recommence on **10th Oct.** from 12 - 1.30pm. Come and try our delicious soup and make a donation.

Positive Living: an engaging and interactive evening looking at Christian Aid's work on HIV on **Tues. 23rd Oct.** at 7.30pm at St. Paul's Church, Northside.

Two Vacancies: The Catholic Schools Service

Education Officer & Planning and Development Officer in the Diocese, based at DABCEC. The Service is a small friendly team providing a good opportunity to be creative and use a range of skills. For full details call 01293 511130 or email schools@dabnet.org. Closing date: **9th October**. Interviews: Week beginning 15th October.

The Emmanuel Prayer Group

meets at 'Shalom' 28 Grosvenor Road, Chichester on Monday evenings at 8pm. (Rosary at 7.45pm). Tel: 785337. All are welcome.

Bosham Tuesday Group

meets after 10am Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Bosham. Refreshments served. All welcome.

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group

are now meeting at 9.30am in the chapel followed by Bible Study in the Upper Parish Room. All are welcome. Refreshments available.

Friday Project

The Parish Friday Project which supports the work of CAFOD and the welfare of needy parishioners raised **£102.75** this week. Please use the Friday Project envelopes, which can be gift-aided, or CAFOD envelopes from the porches.

St. Cuthman: The Boy with a Cart

St. Paul's Church **11th & 12th Oct.** 7pm and Minerva Theatre **14th Oct.** 7pm. See poster for details.

'I want to pray, but I find it too hard'

A morning led by Frances Henley-Lock for those who would like to grow in prayer, on **Sat. 13th Oct.** from 10am - 1pm at St. Michael's Church, Worthing. Limited places. Booking essential. Contact David Wills, Diocesan Adult Formation Adviser, on 01293 515666 (dabcec@dabnet.org)

Oaklands Catholic School & Sixth Form

College Open Evening: Thurs. 18th Oct 6pm - 8.45pm at Waterlooville Hants. All parents are invited to visit. The governors are considering applications from 11+ entry in Sept. 08. Please contact Mrs. Linda White, Admissions Secretary (023 9225 9214) immediately. Closing date: 19th Oct.

Please pray for the Sick

Deacon David Boyd, Maureen Eyles, Gizella Gatford, Anthony Nageon de L'Estang, Molly Linfield, Shelley Cox & Alastair Gordon.

St. Richard's Golden Jubilee 2008

Please keep **Wed. 21st May 2008** in your diaries. We will have our main celebration Mass in St. Richard's Church for the 50th anniversary of the building. We are pleased to confirm that both Cardinal Cormac and Bishop Kieran will be joining us on this special occasion.

CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL

Sat. Study Day: 'SPREAD THE WORD' 13th Oct. Part 2 led by John Vaughn-Neil. Please book.

'Personal Growth & Spiritual Journey' fortnightly during term time Tues. 10.00am-3.30pm. Exploring your own spiritual journey and looking at different styles of spirituality and ways to pray. **Commences 2nd Oct.** Contacts us for Booking Form.

"OPEN DOOR PRAYER MEETING" Wednesdays at 7.45 pm - all welcome. www.catholic-bible-school.org Reflections on the Sunday Mass Readings or Tel:371766.

The Intercessions: are you interested

in writing them? We are looking for individuals willing to join a team of writers for the bidding prayers. Is this the way that YOU could help with the provision of the liturgy? Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help or speak to Megan Hadden for more information.

Enquiring Into the Priesthood Evenings

An opportunity to enquire into the vocation to the priesthood with priests from the diocese of Arundel and Brighton. To take part please first contact your parish priest or Fr. Paul Turner, the Diocesan Vocations Director on 01293 603773

Holy Gifts - The Riches of the Liturgy

A day of Liturgical Music with Stephen Dean on **Sat. 3rd Nov.** 11am - 4pm in St. Francis' School Hall at DABCEC Crawley. Booking essential. Bring a packed lunch. Tea & coffee from 10.30am. Call 01293 515666.

Moving as One

A Day of Worship through Movement **Sat. 3rd Nov.** 10am - 4.30pm at Chichester Baptist Church. Led by Sacred Dance Ministries International. For further information please contact St Pancras Church Office on 01243 536387 or see poster. Booking essential. No experience necessary.

31st October

Why not try making Halloween a Night of Light? Visit www.nightoflight.org. for good ideas for children's activities.

Home is where the Hurt is

Responding to Domestic Violence. A date for your diary: An all day seminar for churches on this topic will take place on **Sat. 17th Nov.** at Chichester Baptist Church. For full details and booking forms please take a brochure from the porch.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week commencing Sunday 7th October 2007

Sat. Vigil	6.00pm	For the intentions of Frank Curnin
Sun 7th	8.30am	For the People of the Parish
	9.00am	<i>Wittering - see overleaf</i>
	10.00am	Wellbeing of the Cookson family
Bosham	11.00am	Bronek & Dilys Oleszkiewicz RIP & John & Doreen Aldred RIP (Family)
Mon 8th	12.15am	Wellbeing of Deacon David (Liam Gribbin)
Tues 9th	8.00am	NO MASS
Bosham	10.00am	Jim Boyd RIP (Mary Boyd)
Wed 10th	8.00am	NO MASS
	12.15pm	For the Vidler & Glynn families
Thur 11th	12.15pm	Wellbeing of Joe & Daphne Holmes & family
	6pm - 7.30pm	<i>Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting</i>
	8.00pm	<i>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>
Fri 12th	8.00am	NO MASS
	10.00am	<i>Wittering - see overleaf</i>
	12.15pm	<i>Scriptural Rosary in the B.S. Chapel</i>
Sat 13th	10.00am	Catherine Seabrook RIP (family)

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Vigil	6.00pm	Dec'd member of Chichester Knights of St. Columba
Sun. 14th	8.30am	John Stanley RIP (Mrs. J. Stanley)
<i>Witterings</i>	9.00am	<i>see overleaf</i>
	10.00am	Catherine Davenport RIP (Family)
Bosham	11.00am	For the People of the Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10.30am - 11.15am & 5.00pm - 5.30pm
By arrangement at other times.

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9am - 2pm Mon. to Fri. *Items for newsletter in by noon on Wed.*

St. Richard's Parish Primary School 784549

Headteacher: Mrs. Catherine Hunn.

St. Richard's Parish Nursery 776728

Nursery Supervisor: Mrs. Rosemary Beal

St. Philip Howard Catholic High School 552055

Headteacher: Mr. David Todd Fax: 01243 552900.

E-mail: office@stphiliphoward.w-sussex.sch.uk

Chichester Christian Care Association 537934

Ecumenical charity providing services for people homeless or at risk.

S.O.S. Prayer Line 377331 Every evening 7.30pm - Midnight.

Parish Visiting & Support Group - Ring Parish Office for help.

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Psalter Week 3

First Reading:

Habakkuk 1:2-3;2:2-4.

The upright man will live by his faithfulness.

Responsorial Psalm

No. 94

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 1:6-8.13-14.

Never be ashamed of witnessing to our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel:

Luke 17:5-10.

If only you had faith!

Next weekend

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First Reading:

2 Kings 5:14-17.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 2:8-13.

Gospel:

Luke 17:11-19.

Please read the Scriptures at home and listen to them at Sunday Mass.

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Mass

SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER 2007

27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
ROSARY SUNDAY

**Refreshments available afterwards,
all welcome.**

PARISH E-MAIL

stpeterswittering@tiscali.co.uk

PARISH WEBSITE

www.strichardschichester.co.uk

Sacraments

Sundays: Mass 9.00 am

Wednesdays: Mass 10.00 am.

Solemn days of obligation: Mass 10.30am

Sacrament of Penance:

First Friday of the month at 9.30 a.m. or at St Richard's at the following times:

**Thursday: 10.30 - 11.15 a.m. and
5 to 5.30 p.m.**

Baptism: By Appointment

Marriage: 6 months' notice.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AT ST PETER'S

We would like to thank you for the Mass, Social Evening, presents and kind wishes that you gave us a few weeks ago, when we left the Witterings for our ancestral homeland. We were extremely moved and humbled by the love and affection you gave us that evening and indeed throughout our 29 years at St Peter's. The reason for the delay in sending our thanks is that we hoped to be able to let you know we had moved into our new house. Due to the vagaries of house buying we should be finally moving in about 2-3 weeks time. You are in our thoughts and prayers and be assured that we will come back and visit whenever we can. God bless you all, with our love and affection.

John and Gina Edwards.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY We are seeking additional helpers, can you help Pat and Sylvie? All helpers will need to be CRB checked. Please contact Pat or Sylvie or a member of the Pastoral Parish Council.

THIS WEEK'S FEASTS:

Friday - St Wilfred, Bishop.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday 7 October - Sheamus & Betty Donoghue RIP (Dot Leaver)

Friday 12 October - Patricia Martin (Agnes & Brendan Martin).

There will be a Special Collection next Sunday for the Retired Priests' Fund. This collection is eligible for Gift Aid.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY - 5 October 2007

Thank you for living simply this Harvest Fast Day. Through your donations, your actions and your prayers, you have shown that by living a little more simply, we can make life better for those who have less.

JEREMIAH COLLINS Please pray for the soul of Jeremiah Collins who died this week. Please also remember his family and friends in your prayers.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2008 We will be starting our First Holy Communion classes this month. If there are any children age 7 or over who want to make their First Communion next June, please contact Pat on 672334 or Sylvie on 672886. Thank you.

APF BOXHOLDERS Please will all APF Boxholders bring their boxes to the church for emptying. Thank you.

UNDERSTANDING CAFOD

Have you ever wondered how CAFOD's money is raised and how it's spent; or puzzled as to why a faith-based organisation is concerned with worldly issues such as international trade and climate change? Then you are warmly invited to a day on 'UNDERSTANDING CAFOD' on Monday 8th October from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm to be held in St Richard's church hall, Cawley Road, Chichester. Please bring a packed lunch; tea/coffee will be provided. All are welcome, just contact the CAFOD A&B Office to let us know if you will be attending on 01483 898866 or

email: arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk

Website: www.cafod.org.uk.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Hilda Brooker, Christopher Browne, Peggy Carney, Jean Clinche, Angela Connor, Norah Connor, Elspeth Gormley, Minnie Guest, Jean Hood, Marjorie Ross-Palmer, June Seaward and Norma Taylor.

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the souls of all our departed parishioners whose anniversaries occur this week.

James Richard Donoghue (2001)

Charles Albert Prince (2001)

Phyllis Babette Harrison (1999).

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