



Parish of St. Richard of Chichester

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

29th Sunday of Year C

21st October 2007

Thought for the Week:

The parable in today's Gospel seeks to answer a frequently asked question: why bother to pray? Last week the emphasis was on our prayer of thanksgiving and praise. Here the onus is on the prayer of intercession. The simple message is, not to give up - even when we accept the truth that praying for what we want does not always equate to God giving us what we need! The intercessions at Mass give us a weekly opportunity to join our personal petitions with those of the whole community and the wider church. These prayers are an expression of faith, hope and love as we remember those who are in much greater need than ourselves. Real intercession is rarely self-centred, even when we do pray for ourselves (and there is nothing wrong in doing that!), we do so in the context of our relationship with others - and a willingness to make that relationship more Christ-centred.

Please pray for the Sick

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

World Mission Sunday

Today we are asked to join all the Catholic communities and parishioners around the world by offer our prayers and material **help to our brothers and sisters** in countries where the Church is **new, young and poor**. The money from the **second collection** will go directly to those most in need. Gift Aid envelopes are available on the newsletters.

A Syro-Malabar (Indian) Mass

will be celebrated in St. Richard's Church TODAY
21st Oct. at 4.30pm. All are welcome.

Christian Aid

The Wednesday soup lunches at Christchurch continue 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.

Friday Project

The Parish Friday Project which supports the work of CAFOD and the welfare of needy parishioners raised **£88.25** this week. Please use the Friday Project envelopes, which can be gift-aided, or CAFOD envelopes from the porches.

31st October

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

Rite of Welcome

In preparation for their forthcoming Baptism, the following will be welcomed into our church this weekend: at 8.30am Damon McGreal, at 10am Stanley Wade, Rachael O'Flanagan & Edric Garces. Welcome! Please pray for them and their families.

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul

of Marie Curtis. Her requiem will be at 12.15pm on Wed. 24th Oct. in St. Richard's Church. Remember her family and friends in your prayers. May she rest in peace.

40th Anniversary of the Abortion Act

Sat. 27th Oct. A March commencing from Old Palace Yard, London from 2pm. *Theme:* 'Remembrance, Healing & Hope.' Full details on all notice boards or go to www.timeforchange.org.uk.

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.

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.

Taizé Style Worship

Christ Church, Old Market Ave. Chichester invites you to an evening led by Tim Bushell on **Sun. 4th Nov. at 6.30pm** at their church. All are welcome.

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Watoto Children's Choir

From Uganda, the Watoto Children's Choir will be performing four concerts in Chichester:

Tues 30th October, 7.30 at Chichester Cathedral

Fri 2nd & Sat 3rd November, 7.30 at The Venue

and Sun 4th November, 4.30 at Central School.

Free admission to all concerts—for further details see posters in the porches.

Stars of Mary Mass for the Disabled,

the frail and elderly and their friends and families takes place at 3pm on **Sun. 21st Oct.** at the Convent of the Poor Clares, Crossbush, Arundel. Refreshments served afterwards. Everyone welcome.

St. Philip Howard High School

Parish Parent Group Meeting: **Tues. 6th Nov.** at 7.30pm in the parish room. See posters for details.

Christmas Market in the Parish Rooms

It's that time of year again. To raise funds for Mercy House, Johannesburg our Market will be on **Sat. 10th and Sun. 11th Nov.** Anything sellable? Let us have it, especially bottles, unwanted gifts etc. Either deliver to the Parish Office, or 5 Laburnum Grove. If you would like anything collected, please call Mick and Penny on 783988.

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.

Father Kieron's Cycle Ride to Lourdes

Raised sponsorship of £2,912.00. This will go towards assisting some of our young parishioners to attend the World Youth Day in Sydney Australia next year. All monies raised will be for them and *will not go on* expenses. Thank you for your generosity and support.

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.

Mass Books for Children

'Let's Go to Mass' a publication suitable for small children is now available from the Repository Shop at St. Richard's, price £3.25, open after all Sunday masses.

The Parish Co-ordinating Group

met earlier this month. The minutes of that meeting can be found on the parish website: parish/pastoral life/ppt.

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.

Singer Sewing Machine needs a new home

in good condition, this 50 year old machine could be put to good use. The owner asks for a reasonable donation to the World Youth Day. Offers considered. Please contact the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL

Saturday Study Days: Prior booking is helpful please.

3rd Nov: 'PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM' led by Abbot Laurence O'Keeffe 10am - 3-30pm.

17th Nov: 'STREAMS OF GRACE' a day for women led by Fiona Hendy 10am - 3.30pm.

1st Nov: *Midweek Bible Study* 'The Prison Epistles.' Led by Geoff Poulter (& two more sessions 15, 29 Nov)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Hour)

Wed. 7th Nov. at 7.45pm

"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.

Parish Office Staff

Earlier this year, a consultant was engaged in the parish to assess the work of the parish's two employees: the administrative secretary and the receptionist/housekeeper. Part of the assessment recommended publishing a comprehensive job description for both posts, so that parishioners are conversant with their duties. The secretary's duties include: maintaining office systems and procedures, producing rotas, orders of service, letters and weekly newsletters. Paperwork connected with the sacramental programmes, plus marriages and deaths entries. Keeping the parish registers updated. Taking, producing and distributing minutes for some of the parish groups. Overseeing repairs and maintenance, booking for the parish rooms and car-parking scheme. The receptionist/housekeeper: reception work to include receiving visitors, taking telephone calls, booking masses and assisting when needed with other office jobs, including printing and photocopying. These clerical duties are combined with the general overseeing of the household.

A New Telephone System

has been installed at the Parish Office. Although you will get several options, there is always the opportunity to speak to the office (when open) or directly to either of the clergy. This should enable a more efficient use of the time of both members of staff. Please let us know what you think of this new system.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week commencing Sunday 21st October 2007

Sat. Vigil	6.00pm	Ita Hirt RIP (M. & R. Flaxbeard)
Sun 21st	8.30am	Joe & Bertha Silver RIP (Family)
		<i>Rite of Welcome: Damon McGreal</i>
	9.00am	<i>Wittering - see overleaf</i>
	10.00am	Aurora Inocillas RIP (Shai & family)
		<i>Rite of Welcome: Stanley Wade, Rachael O'Flanagan, Edric Garces.</i>
Bosham	11.00am	For the People of the Parish
St. Richard's	4.30pm	Syro Malabar (Indian) Mass
Mon 22nd	12.15pm	Wellbeing of Peggy Carney (Liam Gribbin)
Tues 23rd	8.00am	Wellbeing of Siobhan Simpson (Margaret McEwan)
Bosham	10.00am	Canon Francis Collins RIP (Birthday anniversary)
Wed 24th	8.00am	Marie Curtis RIP
	12.15pm	Requiem for Marie Curtis
Thur 25th	12.15pm	For the wellbeing of David & Mary Boyd & family
	6pm - 7.30pm	<i>Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting</i>
	8.00pm	<i>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>
Fri 26th	8.00am	NO MASS
	10.00am	<i>Wittering - see overleaf</i>
	12.15pm	<i>Scriptural Rosary in the B.S. Chapel</i>
Sat 27th	10.00am	For the Davenport Family

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Vigil	6.00pm	Barbara Aldridge's intentions
Sun. 28th	8.30am	Charles Hay RIP (Kate Jackson & family)
<i>Witterings</i>	9.00am	<i>see overleaf</i>
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
Bosham	11.00am	Nancy Clancy RIP (Chapman family)

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

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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 1

First Reading:

Exodus 17:8-13.

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

Responsorial Psalm

No. 120

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2.

The man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel:

Luke 18:1-8.

God will see justice done to his chosen who cry to him.

Next weekend

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First Reading:

Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14. 16-19.

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 4:6-8. 16-18.

Gospel:

Luke 18:9-14.

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

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Mass

SUNDAY 21 OCTOBER 2007
29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
Refreshments available afterwards,
all welcome.

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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:
Wednesday: 10.30 - 11.15 a.m. and 5 to 5.30 p.m.
Baptism: By Appointment
Marriage: 6 months' notice.

ASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Kieron O'Brien 782343
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Parish Hall/Buildings David Field 672823
Parish Office/Liturgist Monica Heath 672293
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Graeme Bell
Mary de Brunner 670797
Linda Jolly 670398
Dot Leaver 671829
Marie O'Grady
Terry O'Hara

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday 21 October - Rachel Shaw RIP (Marie O'Grady).
Friday 26 October - Thanksgiving (Nora Haugh).

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Today is World Mission Sunday and there will be a Special Collection for The Association for the Propagation of Faith (APF). This collection will not be eligible for Gift Aid.

ST PETER'S FETE MEETING

Thursday 8th November

There will be a Fete debriefing meeting to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of this year's Fete and to start planning for the Fete next year.

It will be held on 8th November in St Peter's Hall at 7.00 pm followed by Cheese and Wine.

Come and have your say, we are interested to hear your views on the biggest fund-raising event we hold at St Peter's.

ST PETER'S PARISH OFFICE

The office will be closed on 23rd and 24th October due to holidays. If you have any items for next Sunday's Newsletter, please send them to the St Peter's e-mail address (above) where they will be picked up by David Field. The deadline is Tuesday evening.

We are always happy to receive your contributions to the Newsletter and the normal office opening times are detailed above.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

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

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

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

Robert Auguste Renault (1992)

John Rogers (1996)

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