



## Parish of St Richard of Chichester

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2nd Sunday of Year C

Psalter Week 2

17th January 2010

### Mass Times

#### **St Richard's, Chichester**

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 8.30 am and 10.00am  
12.00pm Polish Mass

#### **St Peter's, Wittering**

Sunday 9.00am

Friday 10.00am

#### **Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham**

Sunday 11.00 am

Tuesday 10.00 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

#### **St Richard's**

Saturday: 10.30am-11.15am & 5.00pm –5.30pm

#### **St Peter's**

First Friday of the month 9.30am

By arrangement at all other times

### Readings for the week

#### *First Reading*

Isaiah 62:1-5

*The bridegroom rejoices in his bride.*

#### *Responsorial Psalm*

No 95

**Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.**

#### *Second Reading*

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

*One and the same Spirit, who distributes gifts to different people just as he chooses.*

#### *Gospel*

John 2:1-12

*This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee.*



**Thought for the week** As the New Year rumbles icily into its third week, we may find ourselves reflecting on those resolutions, easily made but hard to keep! St Paul gives us good reason to pause for thought as he writes to the Church in Corinth about the variety of gifts. If we truly want to make resolutions for this coming year — and it's not too late— we could do worse than to think about the gifts we have and whether or not we place them at the service of the whole community. In recent weeks we have seen in the parish, how essential it is for people to pull together to take the challenge of ministry seriously. Many people are extraordinarily generous with their talents and time, but sadly there will always be those who treat the Church like a “service industry”, where taking is more important than giving. If our expectations of ourselves and each other are low, then we settle for a mediocrity which does not serve the Kingdom. If we raise our sights and are true to our baptismal calling, then our Church will be a beacon of light in the darkness of disbelief.

## **St Richard's**

### **New Parishioners**

Welcome! Please collect a "Welcome Pack" from the church porch. It provides useful information about the Parish and who to contact about particular aspects of Parish life.

### **Rite of Welcome**

In preparation for their forthcoming Baptism we welcome Eva and Mia Perez Elliott to our community. Please pray for them and their family and friends.

### **St Richard's Toddler Group**

Meets every Wednesday during term time in the Lower Parish Rooms from 10—11.30am for children from 0yrs—school age. Join us for a cuppa, play and sing a long!

### **Youth Group**

Meets again Thursday 28th January at 6.30pm in the Parish Rooms.

### **REMINDER**

The Liturgy Group meets on Monday 8th February at 7pm in the Parish Rooms.

### **KSC Christmas Card Competition**

Congratulations to all who took part in the competition and thank you to the staff at St Richard's Primary School.

### **Car Parking In Doctors Surgery**

We have been asked to remind our parishioners that the Car Park next to the Doctors Surgery is for patients and visitors to the Surgery only.

### **Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens**

Next Sunday at the 10am Mass we will welcome Karolina Hanzeuacki into the Order of Catechumens. Karolina is seeking to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. We pray for her as she continues in her journey of faith.

## **St Peter's**

### **Christian Unity Week**

Next week is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. To celebrate the start of the week there will be a service of prayers, readings and hymns at St Anne's Church at 3pm this afternoon, 17th January. This is a combined service between St Peter's, St Anne's and the URC church. Please do come along and represent our parish.



## **Our Lady of the Assumption**

### **Mivumoni Library Project**

Thank you all so much for your generosity. The collection for the Mivumoni Library Project raised an incredible £1738.35 which goes a very long way towards making this project a reality in the near future. We would like to thank everyone who donated. We were absolutely staggered by your kindness. Some people were asking for details of how to donate so if you are interested, cheques are gratefully received and should be made payable to "Mivumoni Library Project" and posted to 34 Brandy Hole Lane, Chichester, PO19 5RY. If you would like to contact us to discuss the project in any way, give us a ring on 01243 527409 (Charlie) or 01243 787502 (Luke) or email [hloafrica@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hloafrica@hotmail.co.uk). Either one of us would be glad to talk about any aspect with you. Alternatively, you can find us online at <http://mivumonilibraryproject.webs.com>.



## **Parish News**

**Second Collection this weekend** There will be a second collection after all Masses to support victims of the Haiti Earthquake.

### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

UNITED SERVICE Sunday 24th January at 6.00pm, Chichester Cathedral, Preacher Rev Canon David Parker.

MEDITATION Wednesday 20th January at 1.30pm, Christ Church after Christian Aid Lunch.

### **Draft Admissions Policy for St Richard's Catholic Primary School—2011/2012**

It is now a requirement that all "interested parties" have the opportunity to see and comment on draft Admissions Policies for schools. To comply with this regulation the draft policy for 2011/2012 will be available from the school office from 5th January 2010. The draft policy is also available from the school website on [www.st-richards.w-sussex.sch.uk](http://www.st-richards.w-sussex.sch.uk). If you wish to see a copy or to comment please do so by the end of the consultation period which is on 28th February 2010.

**Admission to the Parish Nursery** Admission forms will be sent out at the end of February to families on the waiting list with children whose date of birth falls between 1st September 2007 and 31st August 2008. The forms have to be returned by 31st March for your child to have the best chance of being allocated a place at the Nursery when they are nearing 3 years old. The Nursery is opening every weekday between 8.30am and 4pm if you wish to add your child's name to the waiting list.

**Catholic Bible School Saturday Study Days** 10am—3.30pm payment by donation—bring a packed lunch—prior booking is helpful: 23rd January "**Look for the Table**" (Psalm 23) Led by Charles Whitehead. 6th February "**God Heals Today**" Led by Rev Jim Graham. \*\*\*\* 21st January 7.45pm HEALING AND MIRACLE SERVICE led by Rev Carl Anderson Jnr Founder of Born to Blaze Ministries in the USA. \*\*\*\* 26th January WALKING BACK TO HAPPINESS (7.45—10pm) A six session course on the Beatitudes and their relevance for today. Prior booking essential please. 3rd Feb **Midweek Bible Study** "The Psalms" (4 sessions) 9.30am—11.30am. **Wednesday evenings** at 7.45pm - **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** 1st Wednesday of the month, **Open Door Prayer Meeting** 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesday of the month, all welcome, **Healing Service** 3rd Wednesday of the month. Visit the CBS website [www.catholic-bible-school.org](http://www.catholic-bible-school.org) for info & weekly reflections on the Sunday Readings, Tel 01243 371766.

**How to sing Gregorian Chant Workshop** Saturday 30th January at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Bognor Regis. Led by Nick Gale, Director of Music at St George's Metropolitan Cathedral. The day begins at 10am ending with the celebration of Mass beginning at 5.15pm. A suggested donation of £10. All welcome.

**The Event Thursday 21st Jan 1—3pm Flying 50 Years Ago** There will be light lunch and talk by Ged Lavery on Flying 50 Years Ago in Lower Parish Room at St Richard's. No need to book, just come along. All welcome & transport can be provided—phone Maria 782837 for transport or if you would like to know more.

**Northumberland Information Afternoon Sunday 31 January 4pm** Lower Parish Room, St Richard's. Presentation about the Northern Saints—Aidan, Cuthbert, Wilfrid and Bede and the parish pilgrimage from 28 Aug to 1 Sept 2010. We will stay near Durham and visit Lindisfarne (Holy Island), Durham, Hexham and Hadrian's Wall and Jarrow and Bede's World Museum. Plenty of opportunity for walking. Cost £245 to include all transport by coach from Chichester and while in Northumberland and full board from Saturday evening until Wednesday morning. Reductions for under 21's. Leaflet and booking form now available—phone Maria on 782837. All welcome at the Information Afternoon.

### **World Youth Day Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage 10—23 August 2011, Madrid**

Application forms can be downloaded from [www.yaab.co.uk](http://www.yaab.co.uk) or by emailing [lucy.jardine@dabnet.org](mailto:lucy.jardine@dabnet.org) or telephoning Lucy on 01293 651162. Interest levels are extremely high and we would love to hear from as many young people as possible.

## **Prayer Groups**

**S.O.S Prayer Line 01243 377331** Every evening 7.30 pm—Midnight

**Emmanuel Prayer Group** will meet at Patricia's on Nov 23rd, Dec 7th & Jan 4th (Tel no 784946) and will meet at Angela's on Nov 30th, Dec 14th & Jan 11th (Tel 374390).

**Tuesday Morning Group** 9.45am for Morning Prayer or 10am in the Parish Rooms.

**Bosham Tuesday Group** Tuesdays after Mass in Bosham Church.

**Novena to Our Lady** Thursdays 8 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Second** Wednesday of the month.

**Open Door Prayer Meeting** Wednesdays at 7.45 pm at Catholic Bible School, Nutbourne.

**Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting** Saturday's 2—5pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 16th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 17th	St Richards	8.30am	The Wellbeing of Michael Scobie (Andy Oliver)
	St Peters	9.00am	Margaret Bingham RIP (Christine Bingham)
	St Richard's	10.00am	The Wellbeing of Fr Royston
	Our Lady	11.00am	Nancy Weigall RIP (Family)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass
Mon 18th	St Richard's	12.15pm	The Brannan Family
Tues 19th	St Richard's	8.00am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Our Lady	10.00am	Private Intention (Susan Line)
Wed 20th	St Richard's	8.00am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	St Richard's	12.15pm	Priscilla Noble-Mathews (Molly Morgan)
Thurs 21st	St Richard's	12.15pm	<b>NO MASS</b>
Fri 22nd	St Richard's	8.00am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	St Peters	10.00am	Celebrant's Intention
Sat 23rd	St Richard's	10.00am	<b>NO MASS</b>

### 3rd Sunday of Year C

Sat 23rd	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Bill & Audrey Ritchie RIP (Wiliam Ritchie)
Sun 24th	St Richards	8.30am	People of the Parish
	St Peters	9.00am	Celebrant's Intention
	St Richard's	10.00am	The deceased relatives & friends of McEwan & Toner Family (Margaret McEwan)
	Our Lady	11.00am	Francis Higgins RIP (Buckley Family)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass

#### This weeks Feasts/Solemnities:

Thursday—St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

#### Please Pray for the Sick

Ann Donaldson, Odette Haves, Josephine Taylor, Audrey Graveley, Rita Rooke, Patricia Hodnett, Mavis O'Brien, Valerie Davis-White, Anne Kibble, Robin Bowker, Margaret Andrews, Jane Lake, Michael Timlick, Molly Hill, Yvonne Bishop, Malcolm Lawson-Paul, Frances Herbert, Shirley Bridges, Gerry Farrell, Mark Wynter, Maureen Eyles, Gisela Gatford, Alastair Gordon, Mary Andrews, Patricia Mary Spooner, Christopher Browne, Peggy Carney, Jean Clench, Angela Connor, Elspeth Gormley, Jean Hood, John Mattalan, June Seaward, Elizabeth Clarke, Violetta Ruff, Pat Williams, Phyll Deere, Teresa Willcocks, Doris White, Nigel Hogben & James & Julian Smith.

**The Visiting and Support Group is a team of about 12 parishioners, under the guidance of Fr Kieron, who visit people who have difficulty getting out. If you would like to know more, or to arrange a visit for yourself or someone you know please contact the Parish Office 01243 782343 or speak to Father Kieron.**

#### Next week's Readings

*First Reading*

Nehemiah 8:2-6.8-10

#### **3rd Sunday of Year C**

*Second Reading*

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

*Gospel*

Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21



**Items for the newsletter not later than 12pm on Wednesdays**