



Parish of St Richard of Chichester

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2nd Sunday of Lent, Year C

Psalter Week 2

28th February 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

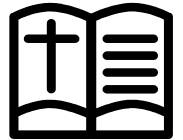
By arrangement at all other times

Readings for the week

First Reading

Genesis 15:5-12.17-18

God enters into a Covenant with Abraham, the man of faith.



Responsorial Psalm 26

The Lord is my light and my help.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Christ will transfigure our bodies into copies of his glorious body.

Gospel

Luke 9:28-36

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed.

Thought for the week

When Abram leaves his country, not only does he become the Father of a great nation, but the father of three great faiths: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. There is much that distinguishes these religions, one from another and yet we all claim to be children of Abraham, sons and daughters of the same God. Our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can and should lead us into a closer understanding of the uniqueness of Jesus Christ, while at the same time, leaving our hearts open to dialogue with others who are, spiritually speaking, our distant relatives. Today's Gospel of the Transfiguration leaves us in no doubt about the identity of Christ—it is only by being secure in our own beliefs that we can confidently dialogue with those of other faiths and none. We do not need to define ourselves by who we are not, but by the revelation given to those disciples on the mountain: *This is my Son, the Chosen One, listen to him.*

St Richard's

Confessions and Stations of the Cross organised by the Welfare and Visiting Group at St Richard's Church on Wednesday 3rd March. Confessions from 2.30 pm, Stations of the Cross at 3.30 pm. Tea and cakes will be served in the Lower Parish Room. For transport telephone Maria on 782837.

Youth Group Meets again Thursday 11th March at 6.30pm in the Parish Rooms.

YOGA Friday class resumes on Friday 5th March.

Women's World Day of Prayer will be held in St Richard's Church on Friday 5th March 2010 at 2pm followed by refreshments in the Parish Rooms. All are welcome men, women and young people.

Our Lady of the Assumption

Handel's "Messiah" and The Bible—Bosham "Meeting Point" Lent Group. Continues Tuesday's at 2.30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham. Please contact Eric Hinkley on 574333.

Women's World Day of Prayer "Let everything that has breath praise God". Friday 5th March 2.15pm following the soup lunch. All are welcome, men as well!

Lent Lunches Every Friday during Lent, 12—1.30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, £3 to be donated to charity. All welcome.

Produce Sale in aid of Fr Joe after 11am Mass on Sunday 21st March. Please support this event by bringing goods to sell or money to spend!

Raffle Prizes If you have any unused/unwanted Christmas gifts which need a home and would be suitable as raffle prizes please donate them for the forthcoming Barn Dance. Contact Jenny on 374648.

Bosham Bounce The next draw is on Sunday 7th March. Balls can be purchased on the day for £1.

St Peter's

Lent Talks Wittering Churches Together are repeating last year's successful talks on "Journey to Faith". The talks will be held in the United Reformed Church, Oakfield Avenue at 7.30 pm on each Thursday evening throughout Lent. The programme continues as follows: 4th March—Debbie Thrower, 11th March—Brian Pointer, 18th March—Bishop Kieran Conry and 25th March—Fr Harold Webb. Everyone welcome.

Women's World Day of Prayer will be held at St Anne's Church at 2.00 pm on Friday 5th March. Now open to everyone including the MEN. We hope to see you at this annual event.

Computer Problems Unfortunately we are having intermittent problems with our computer in the office. We are having trouble receiving emails, so if you have any items for the newsletter please send them direct to St Richard's on admin@st-richards.fsnet.co.uk

St Patrick's Day Come and enjoy a wonderful evening to celebrate St Patrick's Day. St Peter's Church Hall on Friday 19th March at 7.30pm. Please bring a plate of food to share. There will be some light entertainment from St Peter's very own Irish Folk Group!!!, a quiz to test your knowledge and lots more. All welcome.

LENT—WHAT WILL YOU DO?

A Year for Priests

Every Monday at 7.30pm in St Richard's Lower Parish Rooms "An Evening With...", continuing on 1st March with Fr Kieron O'Brien. These evenings will take the form of a "Chat Show" where the priests will talk about their vocation and life as a priest.

Stations of the Cross

Every **Friday** evening at 7.30pm in St Richard's Church.
Every **Wednesday** afternoon at 3.30pm in St Richard's Church
Every **Friday** morning after 10am Mass in St Peter's Church

Small Groups

Our Lady of the Assumption Tuesday's after 10am Mass using a DVD "Life to the Full"
St Richard's Tuesday morning group 10am in the Upper Parish Room using Diocesan Lent Book

Adoration

Every **Wednesday** evening at 7.30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Reconciliation Service

Sunday 28th March at 4pm in St Richard's Church

Parish News

Notice for all Readers The readings for the 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of Lent (7th, 14th, 21st March) will be the optional readings of **Year A** which are required for the “scrutinies”.

Confirmation Candidates Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates and their catechists, who are on their residential retreat this weekend.

Are you Baptised but not Confirmed? After Easter there will be a course at St Richard’s for those adults who have been Baptised but have missed out on Confirmation in their teenage years. For details phone Marie on 673346 or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

The Season of Lent A time for fulfilling Easter Duties begins. Lenten Alms may be made in the boxes in the porches.

Friday Project raised £104.94

Lenten Evening Prayer in Singleton Church During Lent ecumenical Evening Prayer will be held in Singleton Parish Church each Tuesday (23rd February to 30th March) at 6pm. Everyone welcome. Further information from Ged Lavery 811270.

Deanery Catechists Course The second session of the second module, led by David Fetteroll, is on Monday 1st March, 7.30pm in the Learning Resource Centre at St Philip Howard Catholic High School.

Catholic Bible School Saturday Study Days 10am—3.30pm payment by donation—bring a packed lunch—prior booking is helpful: 13th March **“Revelation Revealed”** Fr Laurence O’Keefe OSB. 27th March **“You mean all my heart, mind and strength”** led by Steve Murray International Christian Mime Artist and Speaker—guaranteed to be a “day with a difference” and not to be missed. 5th March **NEW LENTEN COURSE “Approaching the Cross”** using a variety of media. 4 consecutive Fridays 10.00—11.30am. 3rd March **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (HOLY HOUR) 7.45pm** **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 for info & weekly reflections on the Sunday Readings, Tel 371766.

AMBLE The Amble will be on Wednesday 10th March (weather permitting!) along the Canal to Hunston. Lunch at the Spotted Cow. Return on foot or by Bus. Meet at the Canal Basin at 11.30am. Any queries contact Susan 776792.

St Philip Howard Parish Parent Group Meeting Wednesday 17th March at 7.30pm in the Lower Parish Rooms at St Richard’s Church.

Vocation to the Priesthood There will be a “Vocations Retreat” at St Johns Seminary, Womersley from Friday 5th March until Sunday 7th March for adult men considering the priesthood. There is a “Discovering Priesthood Day” for young men aged 14-18 years on Saturday 27th March at Our Lady of Consolation in Wrest Grinstead. Contact Fr Paul Turner (Vocations Director) on 01203 603773 or pdturner39@yahoo.co.uk.

Young Adults Retreat at Worth Abbey A weekend of formation, prayer, fellowship and reflection for young adults, seeking inspiration from the ancient wisdom of Monastic tradition for Christian living today. Contact Jo Gilbert at joziegilbert@hotmail.com.

World Youth Day 2011 - STOP PRESS!! Application packs are being sent out at the end of the month! Please contact Lucy Jardine at DABCEC at lucy.jardine@dabnet.org or on 01293 651162 to make sure you receive yours.

Student looking for accommodation A German student is looking for accommodation with an English family for four weeks from 5th July this year. Please contact Geoff Breeze on 671082 for more information.

Prayer Groups

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

Emmanuel Prayer Group Mondays at “Shalom”, 28 Grosvenor Road at 8pm (Rosary at 7.45pm).

All welcome. Any queries contact Mary 785337.

Tuesday Morning Group 9.45am for Morning Prayer or 10am in the Parish Rooms using the Diocesan Lenten Booklet..

Bosham Tuesday Group Tuesdays after Mass in Bosham Church using DVD “Life to the Full” during Lent.

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm & **EVERY** Wednesday during Lent.

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

Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting Saturday’s 1—5pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 27th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Private Intention (Jiju & Bineetha)
Sun 28th	St Richards	8.30am	Molly Linton Brady RIP (Kate Jackson)
	St Peters	9.00am	Ken Howard RIP (Rachel Howard)
	St Richard's	10.00am	Private Intention (Jiju & Bineetha)
	Our Lady	11.00am	People of the Parish
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass
Mon 1st March	St Richard's	8.00am	Jerry Lyons RIP (Sheila Lyons)
		12.15pm	NO MASS
Tues 2nd	St Richard's	8.00am	Ivor Frew RIP (Moya Frew)
	Our Lady	10.00am	Sr Teresa Farrelly RIP (Susan Line)
Wed 3rd	St Richard's	8.00am	NO MASS
	St Richard's	12.15pm	George French RIP (Family)
Thurs 4th	St Richard's	12.15pm	Catherine Harkin RIP (Gerry Wilcock)
Fri 5th	St Richard's	8.00am	Win Larney RIP (Noreen)
	St Peters	10.00am	Celebrant's Intention
Sat 6th	St Richard's	10.00am	Celebrant's Intention

3rd Sunday of Lent, Year A

Sat 6th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	David & Theresa Owgan 45th Wedding Anniversary
Sun 7th	St Richards	8.30am	People of the Parish
	St Peters	9.00am	Stan Grabowski RIP (Mark Grabowski)
	St Richard's	10.00am	George Briggs & Donna Rose RIP (Briggs & Bucholtz Family)
	Our Lady	11.00am	Martin Buckley RIP (Buckley Family)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass

This weeks Feasts/Solemnities:

Monday—St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales

Please Pray for the Sick

Maureen Ottridge, Prudence Dwyer, Keith Cartey, Pam Boyd, Dot Leaver, Mary Noble, Stanley Vidler, Ann Donaldson, Odette Haves, Josephine Taylor, Audrey Graveley, Rita Rooke, Patricia Hodnett, Mavis O'Brien, Valerie Davis-White, 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 parishioners, under the guidance of Fr Alexander, 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 Alexander.

Next week's Readings

First Reading
Exodus 17:3-7

3rd Sunday of Lent, Year A

Second Reading
Romans 5:1-2.5-8

Gospel
John 4:5-42



Items for the newsletter not later than 12pm on Wednesdays