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5th Sunday of Lent, Year A Readings

Psalter Week 1

21st March 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

Ezekiel 37:12-14

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

Responsorial Psalm 129

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second Reading

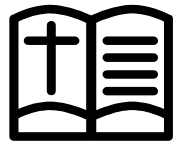
Romans 8:8-11

The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you.

Gospel

John 11:1-45

I am the resurrection and the life.



Thought for the week

We are now more than half way through Lent and it may be a good moment to look at what has passed and what is still to come.

- On the first Sunday Jesus was tempted in the desert and he revealed himself to Satan as the Son of God.
- On the second Sunday Jesus revealed his glory to Peter, James & John on the Mount of the Transfiguration
- On the third Sunday he revealed himself as Messiah to the Samaritan Woman.
- Last Sunday he revealed himself to the man born blind, who then worshipped him.
- Now, this Sunday, comes another stage in this progressive revelation. He tells Martha that he is the resurrection and the life; and she believes in him; he raises Lazarus from the tomb, and many of the Jews, we are told, believed in him.

This is the correct reaction on our part to the revelation of Jesus Christ—a confession of faith. All of us as we hear these readings should grow in faith. This is particularly true of those who are baptised this Easter—but all of us are on a journey of faith, in which there is no standing still, but constant going forward.

St Richard's

Youth Group Meets again Thursday 25th March at 6.30pm in the Parish Rooms.

Easter Lilies If you would like to donate a lily at Easter for the altar flowers in memory of a loved one, please write your own name and the name of the deceased on an envelope, enclosing a £3 donation, and deliver to the Parish Office or put it in the collection basket.

Church Cleaning We need your help to clean the Church ready for Easter. If you can spare a few hours on Tuesday 30th March from 9.30am please contact the Parish Office. Tea, Coffee and Cakes provided!

Baptism We welcome today, through the Sacrament of Baptism, Viviel Barnes, Oliver Alves & Isla Dodson-Richi. Please pray for them and their families and friends.

Our Lady of the Assumption

Meeting Point Lent Lunches Every Friday during Lent, 12—1.30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, £3 to be donated to St Joseph's Refuge. All welcome.

Bosham Bounce The next draw is Sunday 4th April. Balls can be purchased on the day for £1.

Baptism We welcome today, through the Sacrament of Baptism, Molly Mitchell & Katharine Gamble. Please pray for them and their families and friends.

Produce Sale in aid of Fr Joe after 11am Mass today. Please support by either bringing goods to sell or money to spend.

Good Friday Procession of Witness & Stations of the Cross The ecumenical procession of witness, organised by Meeting Point, will take place as usual this year. Starting at 10.30am from St Nicholas Church Hall, Brooks Lane, Bosham and calling at each of the churches in Bosham, finishing at Holy Trinity at approx 12 noon. All are most welcome.

St Peter's

Lent Talks Wittering Churches Together Lent Talks on "Journey to Faith" continues at the United Reformed Church, Oakfield Avenue at 7.30 pm every Thursday evening throughout Lent. The remaining programme is: 25th March—Fr Harold Webb. Everyone welcome.

APF Boxes It is now time for the collection of APF red boxes. Will all box holders please bring their boxes and hand to Gill Breeze who will collect, empty and return them. Boxes can be left in the Church porch and will be collected after Mass.

Garden of Gethsemane On Holy Thursday, after the evening Mass, there will be an opportunity in the hall to reflect on Jesus' agony in the garden. In order to decorate the hall we ask anyone who has greenery, in pots or otherwise, if we could borrow them, please. If you can help please contact Marie 673346 or Georgina 673576.

Gift Aid Envelopes When using the Gift Aid envelopes please ensure you remove the paper strip as the envelope is "self sealing". If the envelope is not sealed correctly, money is easily lost.

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 22nd March with Fr Tony Shelley. 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.

Parish News

Parish Office will be closed from Monday 22nd March until Monday 29th March. Please contact the priests by selecting option 3 or 4 when telephoning. Newsletter items as usual.

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”.

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 Pat 672334 or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

The Season of Lent Lenten Alms may be made in the boxes in the porches.

Friday Project raised £82.62

St Richard’s 400 Club Following all masses at St Richard’s on the weekend of 27/28 March, parishioners will be given the opportunity to purchase a number (s) in the 400 Club. Numbers cost £12 each and are placed in a drum from which each month, for a year, numbers are drawn to win prizes, the maximum being £100 (£200 at Easter & Christmas). For just £12 you could have the chance of winning a prize whilst at the same time helping school funds. Please support the club and bring your cash and cheque books next weekend. Thank you

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 fifth session of the second module, led by David Fetteroll, is on Monday 22nd March, 7.30pm in the Learning Resource Centre at St Philip Howard Catholic High School.

Parish Coordinating Group meets Tuesday 23rd March at Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham, 7.30 pm.

Catholic Bible School Saturday Study Days 10am—3.30pm payment by donation—bring a packed lunch—prior booking is helpful: 27 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. Friday 30th April for 9 Fridays 10.00am—12 noon “**OPEN DOOR RETREAT**” Prior booking necessary.

21st April **Service of Healing and Wholeness** 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.

Concert in Aid of Mivumoni Library Project Chichester Voices will perform a Lenten Meditation in aid of the Mivumoni Library Project on Wednesday 24th March at 7.30pm at St Thomas a' Becket Church, Pagham. Music to include The Crucifixion by John Stainer & Miserere by Gregorio Allegri. Tickets £10 from Box Office 07900098197 and in Church.

Outing to the “Sistine Chapel” at Goring Wednesday 7th April at 2.30pm. Benediction, guided tour and tea at Highdown Gardens. Transport from the Witterings, Bosham and Chichester area, approx £3 plus cost of tea. To book phone Maria on 782837 or Phyll on 778041 by 31st March.

Memorial Mass—Saturday 10th April Fr Alexander will celebrate Mass on Saturday 10th April at 10 am in memory of all parishioners’ deceased relatives and friends. Refreshments will be available after the Mass.

St Richard’s Primary School Job Vacancy CLEANER required. 7.5 hours per week during term time after school. Hourly rate £6.38 to £6.63. This position is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check. Closing date 24th March and interviews on 31st March. Please come in to the school office or call 01243 784549 for more information and an application form.

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 20th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Mary Devassy RIP (Manoj Davis)
Sun 21st	St Richards	8.30am	People of the Parish
	St Peters	9.00am	Veronica Brown RIP (Gill & Geoff Breeze)
	St Richard's	10.00am	Nora Tuohy Rip (M & A Clark)
	Our Lady	11.00am	Ann & Arthur Murphy RIP (Noreen Theobald)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass
Mon 22nd	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
		12.15pm	The Wellbeing of Fr Andre (E & P Robson)
Tues 23rd	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
	Our Lady	10.00am	Roy Vickers RIP (Marjorie Vickers)
Wed 24th	St Richard's	8.00am	NO MASS
	St Richard's	12.15pm	Peter Weston RIP (Eileen Wood)
Thurs 25th	St Richard's	12.15pm	For the Wellbeing of Fr Andre (Susan Line)
Fri 26th	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
	St Peters	10.00am	Joan O'Hara RIP (Terry O'Hara)
Sat 27th	St Richard's	10.00am	Celebrant's Intention

Palm (Passion) Sunday

Sat 27th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	The recovery of Anthony Kennelly (Rita Rooke)
Sun 28th	St Richards	8.30am	In Thanksgiving (L & R Finn)
	St Peters	9.00am	Ken Howard RIP (Rachel Howard)
	St Richard's	10.00am	People of the Parish
	Our Lady	11.00am	Edward Tempany RIP (Frances Messenger)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass
	St Richard's	4.00pm	Parish Penitential Service

This weeks Feasts/Solemnities:

Thursday—The Annunciation of the Lord

The Parish Bereavement Support Group is a team of parishioners who aim to support people who have been bereaved and organise a Memorial Mass in November. If you are interested in joining the group or know of anyone who would benefit from a visit, please contact the Parish Office 01243 782343 or speak to one of the Priests.

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr Andre LeCoeur, 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 Palm (Passion) Sunday

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Psalm</i>
Isaiah 50:4-7	Philippians 2:6-11	Luke 19:28-40	21



Items for the newsletter not later than 12pm on Wednesdays