



## Parish of St Richard of Chichester

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4th Sunday of Easter

Psalter Week 4

25th April 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

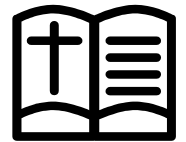
By arrangement at all other times

### Readings for the week

#### *First Reading*

Acts 13:14.43-52

*We must turn to the pagans.*



#### *Responsorial Psalm 99*

**We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

#### *Second Reading*

Apocalypse 7:9.14-17

*The lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.*

#### *Gospel*

John 10:27-30

*I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me.*

### Thought for the week

Today, the fourth Sunday of Easter, is known as Good Shepherd Sunday because in the Gospel we hear Jesus speak of himself as the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep. That is why it is the day chosen as World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. Pope Benedict has written to us this year on the theme "Witness Awakens Vocations". He cites the examples of the Prophets of the Old Testament dedicating their entire existence to bearing witness to God. Jesus, he says, is the "supreme Witness to God and to his concern for the salvation of all." As we look forward to the visit of Pope Benedict to our shores please continue to pray for those who may be considering a vocation to priesthood or religious life. Please pray also for the success of this year's Vocation Discernment Weekend, Invocation 2010. (www.invocation.org.uk)

## St Richard's

**Rota's for All Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Welcomers** are now available in the Sacristy.

**Christian Aid** Christian Aid week takes place from May 9th to 15th. The May Market will be on Friday May 7th, 10am - 3pm in the assembly rooms, and the Ecumenical Service will be at St Paul's Church at 6.30pm on Sunday May 9th. All are welcome to this service. More volunteers for the house to house collection are needed so if you can spare a couple of hours you will be helping to raise money for some of the poorest people in the world. Donations are also needed for the market stalls, such as books, bric a brac, gifts, plants, cakes and produce. If you can help in any way please phone Gill, 784965.

**Repository** Wanted, someone to open and run the Repository on Saturday evenings after Mass. Please contact Ray Webb 788803.

**Rosary** The Rosary will be prayed in church on Saturdays in May after the 10 am Mass. All welcome.

## Our Lady of the Assumption

**Bosham Bounce** The next draw is on Sunday 2nd May. Balls can be bought on the day for £1.

## St Peter's

**Mass on Sunday 9th May** Children and young people will be taking part in the Mass on Sunday 9th May. For further information please contact Christine Barton on 670196.

**St Peter's Church May Fete and Spring Sale** Saturday 29th May St Peter's Church will be holding a Cream Tea and Spring Sale from 3 - 5 pm. All parishioners are invited to come and support this important fundraising event. From 5 pm the evening will continue with a Grand BBQ Hog Roast and Barn Dance. Tickets for this cost £7.00 which will include the first glass of wine. Licensed bar available for the evening. Tickets are available from Gill Breeze on 671082, Claire Walton on 672485 or Georgina in Pastiche on the Parade.

**St Peter's Mother & Toddler Group** Meets every Wednesday, for fun times, at 9.30am - 11.30am in the Church Hall. For details please contact Joanna Wright on 01243 670830 or 07840297086.

**New Parishioners** Welcome. There is some useful information in the Welcome Pack, which can be found in our church porch. Please do come and join many of our parishioners for a cup of coffee after a Sunday Mass.

### EXPLORE THE WAY OF THE THREE CHURCHES

This summer there will be a series of three walks to celebrate the links between our three churches.

**Sunday 6th June**

St Richard's to our Lady of the Assumption

**Sunday 4th July**

Our Lady of the Assumption to St Peter's

**Sunday 12th September**

St Peter's to St Richard's



Each walk will take about 4 hours and end with Evening Prayer at 6pm in the church, followed by refreshments. There will be other starting points for those who prefer a shorter walk or you can just come for Evening Prayer & refreshments. All parishioners, family & friends welcome.

If you can help in any way with the planning and preparation for this please contact the Parish Office.

## Parish News

**Second Collection** after all Masses this weekend for the Education of Future Priests for the Diocese.

**VACANCY - Youthwork Coordinator** The Parish of Chichester with the Witterings wishes to appoint an innovative and energetic Youthwork Coordinator, able to map the needs of the Parish and devise strategies for delivering high quality youth ministry across a wide age range. The post is part time (21hrs/week) for three years. For further details and an application pack please contact the Parish Office.

**Friday Project** raised £54.21.

**Catholic Bible School Saturday Study Days** 10am—3.30pm payment by donation—bring a packed lunch—prior booking is helpful: Friday 30th April for 9 Fridays 10.00am—12 noon “**OPEN DOOR RETREAT**” Prior booking necessary. **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 371766.

**STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION** Friday 30th April at 7.30pm and Wednesday 5th May at 3.30pm. The Via Lucis or Stations of the Resurrection, inspired by the Stations of the Cross, marks 14 events that happened between the Resurrection and Pentecost.

**Election Forum** for the principle parties on Wednesday 5th May at 7pm in the Nave of Chichester Cathedral.

**AMBLE** Bishop Otter Campus Tree Walk. Thursday 6th May meet either at top of North Street by underpass at 10.15am or 10.25am at the entrance to Bishop Otter College. Lunch available in the college cafeteria. Any queries contact Susan 776792.

**Options Pregnancy Crisis Centre** is hosting a day on Saturday 15th May, 9.30am—3pm at St Paul’s Church Hall, Churchside, Chichester. Speakers include Jonathan Jeffes who has experience of working with post-abortion groups at Holy Trinity Church, Brompton and Annette Lawrance-Owen, a Bereavement Specialist with West Sussex Primary Care Trust. The cost is £7 to include lunch and refreshments. Contact Mary Downy 779687. For more information about our work please visit [www.careconfidential.com](http://www.careconfidential.com).

**Stars of Mary Mass** Sunday 16th May, 3pm at St Gabriel, 18 East Street, Billingshurst. Mass for people with learning difficulties, their families, friends and the frail and elderly.

**Pentecost Praise in the Nave** Chichester Cathedral on Saturday 22nd May 3 - 4 pm, an all age celebration with Ishmael. For booking details contact Irene Smale [Irene.smale@diochi.org.uk](mailto:Irene.smale@diochi.org.uk).

### **Pilgrimage to Northumberland 28 Aug to 1 Sept 2010**

Visiting Holy Island, Durham, Bede’s World, Hexham and Hadrian’s Wall staying at Minsteracres (see [www.minsteracres.co.uk](http://www.minsteracres.co.uk)). Fantastic opportunities for walking, sight seeing & spiritual refreshment. Over 40 people have booked so far but places are still available. Cost £245 per adult (£120 per child) to include full board & coach transport from Chichester. All deposits to be paid by 28 May. Enquiries please phone Maria 782837.

**Walsingham 2011** The dates are Wednesday 1st June to Friday 3rd June 2011. This falls in the school half term holidays so families and those who work in schools can come. Bookings and further details in September.

**Westminster 2010: Declaration of Christian Conscience** Christians are being invited to sign this online petition at [www.westminster2010.org.uk](http://www.westminster2010.org.uk) in the lead up to the General Election calling on all parliamentary candidates to pledge that they will “respect, uphold and protect the right of Christians to hold and express Christian beliefs and act according to Christian conscience.

## 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 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel or 10am in the Parish Rooms.

**Bosham Tuesday Group** Tuesdays after Mass in Bosham Church using the DVD “10 Reasons to Believe in a God who Allows Suffering”. All welcome.

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

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Every FIRST Friday of the month from 7—8pm commencing Friday 7th May.

**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 24th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	<b>Memorial Mass for Fr André</b>
Sun 25th	St Richards	8.30am	Gordan Murray RIP (M & B Buck)
	St Peters	9.00am	Roy Clayton RIP (Lucy Clayton)
	St Richard's	10.00am	People of the Parish
	Our Lady	11.00am	Fr Andre RIP (Kevin Jamieson)
	St Richard's	12.00 pm	Polish Mass
Mon 26th	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
		12.15pm	<b>Requiem for Anita Parker RIP</b>
Tues 27th	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
	Our Lady	10.00am	Fr Ken Freeman RIP (Sheila Brown)
Wed 28th	St Richard's	12.15pm	John T Dixon RIP
Thurs 29th	St Richard's	12.15pm	John Clark RIP (Josephine Clark)
Fri 30th	St Richard's	8.00am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	St Peter's	10.00am	In Thanksgiving (Nora Haugh)
Sat 1st May	St Richard's	10.00am	Maria Gertrude Anne Glyn RIP

### 5th Sunday of Easter

Sat 1st May	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Fr Peter's Intentions (Marysia Dembinski)
Sun 2nd	St Richards	8.30am	Josephine Hay & Bridie Neill RIP (Kate Jackson & Family)
	St Peters	9.00am	For the Parish (Dot Leaver)
	St Richard's	10.00am	People of the Parish
	Our Lady	11.00am	Peter & Jean Thorpe 50th Anniversary
	St Richard's	12.00 pm	Polish Mass

#### This weeks Feasts/Solemnities:

Thursday—St Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

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** Mary & Tony Flanagan, James Bailey, Jacqueline Wetter, Maureen Ottridge, Prudence Dwyer, 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, 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      5th Sunday of Easter

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Psalm</i>
Acts: 14:21-27	Apocalypse 21:1-5	John 13:31-35	144



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