



Parish of St Richard of Chichester

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16th Sunday of Year C

Psalter Week 4

18th July 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 18:1-10

Lord, do not pass your servant by.

Responsorial Psalm 14

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading

Colossians 1:24-28

A mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to God's saints.

Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

Martha welcomed Jesus into her house. Mary has chosen the better part.



Thought for the week

The readings today all have a common theme – that of hospitality. The subject of Abraham entertaining the three angels is a staple of eastern icons; and Christ in the house of Martha and Mary is a common subject in western art. The subject is a very simple one: Jesus goes to see two sisters, and is entertained in their house; but this simple subject has exercised a fascination on the western mind. And it is indeed remarkable, when we consider it: that Christ, the Son of God, should make himself at home in a human habitation. That he should come to a house is resonant of the central truth of Christianity, namely that the word was made flesh and pitched his tent among us (those are the literal words of St John in the first chapter of his gospel); or, as we say in the words before Holy Communion – *Domine non sum dignus ut intres sub tectum meum* [Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof]. And yet Christ does come to the house of Mary and Martha, and he does come to the house of whoever will receive him, however unworthy they may be. For he has taken up the flesh, and he has dwelt among us.

St Richard's

Mercy House Lunch—Friday 6th August 2010 at 5 Laburnum Grove

Please keep the date free to come along to our fundraising lunch in aid of Mercy House. More details to follow nearer the date.

The Parish Office

Will be closed from Thursday 15th July until Monday 26th July.

Requiem for Mary Timlick RIP will be on Wednesday 21st July at 12.15pm.

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Prayers on the Beach

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Our Lady of the Assumption

Bosham Bounce

The next draw will be on Sunday 1st August. Balls can be bought on the day for !£1.

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St Peter's

St Peter's Mother and 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 a lot of useful information in the Welcome Pack, which can be found in our Church Porch. Also please do come and join many of our parishioners for a special cup of coffee, or tea after a Sunday Mass.



Parish News

Second Collection Next Sunday there will be a second collection in parishes to support Day for Life. Day for Life 2010 aims to present the Church's teaching on death. It will highlight the importance of the sacrament for the sick, of praying for the dead and accompanying the dying person as they journey towards God. It will also point towards the consoling presence and support of the community faith and all those who "have gone before us marked with the sign of faith". Proceeds of the collection will go to The Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Church. Donations can be Gift Aided using the envelopes provided in the porches.

Friday Project raised £62.71.

Catholic Bible School

Two Year Course in Spiritual Direction commences in September with only a few places still available. Please contact us for an application form and more information. 21 July 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 Sunday Readings, Tel 371766.

Adult education in the parish,

The first session of the summer course will take place on Monday 19th July at 7.30 pm in the Lower Parish Room; it will end by 9pm at the latest. The topics to be broached will include the following questions: What is the justification of the Church's moral teaching? Is it based on human reasoning, or on divine revelation? Is the Church's moral teaching based on the Bible? To what extent is the Bible useful in talking about morals? How does living and worshipping as a Christian shape your moral outlook? How are faith and morals connected? You might like to bring a Bible with you. All questions will be considered, and all are welcome to take part. There are three further projected sessions on the three successive Mondays. The point of this initiative is to offer an opportunity to all those who have expressed a desire to deepen their understanding of their faith, and have a forum in which to air questions that concern them.

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AMBLE

Thursday 22nd July through the woods and along the canal at Loxwood. Lunch at the Onslow Arms. Meet at St Richard's at 10.30 for car sharing and directions. Any queries please contact Susan 776792.

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Lifecentre—Helpline Volunteers Needed

Lifecentre is a national charity based in Chichester to support survivors of rape and sexual abuse. The service is for men, women and children. Helplines are open on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Adult line: 0844 847 7879. Under 18's line: 0808 802 0808. If you would like to become a telephone helpline volunteer, a new training scheme is starting in September, please call the office for more information on 01243 786349. More information on the charity can be found on the poster at the back of church and on the website www.lifecentre.uk.com.

Prayer Groups

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

Emmanuel Prayer Group are having a break and will start again on Monday 26th July. 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. 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 starting Friday 7th May.

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

Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting Every 4th Sunday 4—7pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 17th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Celebrant's Intention
Sun 18th	St Richards	8.30am	Norah Longlands RIP
	St Peters	9.00am	Kay Kilkoynne RIP (Mary Noble)
	St Richard's	10.00am	People of the Parish
	Our Lady	11.00am	Brian Taylor RIP (Marion & Nick Shrubbs)
	St Richard's	12.00 pm	Polish Mass
Mon 19th	St Richard's	8.00 am	NO MASS
	St Richard's	12.15 am	Winifred Keys RIP (G Keys)
Tues 20th	St Richard's	8.00am	NO MASS
	Our Lady	10.00am	The Wellbeing of Deacon Hilary Parsons
Wed 21st	St Richard's	12.15pm	Requiem for Mary Timlick RIP
Thurs 22nd	St Richard's	12.15pm	Good Estate of Moya Frew
Fri 23rd	St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intention
	St Peter's	10.00am	Celebrant's Intention
Sat 24th	St Richard's	10.00am	The Wellbeing of Jeanie Shields (Linda Halford)

17th Sunday of the Year

Sat 24th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	Simon Thorpe RIP (Liz McCombe)
Sun 25th	St Richards	8.30am	People of the Parish
	St Peters	9.00am	Barbara & Frank 50th Wedding Anniversary (Gallagher Family)
	St Richard's	10.00am	Intentions of Nicholas France (Richard France)
	Our Lady	11.00am	Mark Carville RIP (Marj Vickers)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass

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.

This weeks Feasts/Solemnities:

Thursday—St Mary Magdalene

Friday—St Bridget of Sweden, Religious, a Patron of Europe

Please Pray for the Sick Deacon Hilary Parsons, Christopher Brown, Hugh Robinson, Peter Edwards, Mary & Tony Flanagan, Maureen Ottridge, Prudence Dwyer, Dot Leaver, Stanley Vidler, Ann Donaldson, Odette Haves, Josephine Taylor, Audrey Graveley, 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, 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 17th Sunday of the Year

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Psalm</i>
Genesis 18:20-32	Colossians 2:12-14	Luke 11:1-13	137



Items for the newsletter not later than 12pm on Wednesdays