



Parish of St Richard of Chichester

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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Psalter Week 4

15th August 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

Apocalypse 11:19;12:1-6.10

A woman adorned with the sun, standing on the moon.

Responsorial Psalm 44

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ as the first-fruits and then those who belong to him.

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

The Almighty has done great things for me, he has exalted the lowly.



Thought for the week

As you read this on Sunday, the Universal Church will be celebrating the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is of course a particular local feast for the parishioners of Bosham—but also undeniably a universal feast as we rejoice not just in the glory given to Mary, but in the hope that her Assumption gives to the whole Church—where she has gone we hope to follow! *In the bodily and spiritual glory which she possesses in heaven, the mother of Jesus continues in this present world as the image and first flowering of the Church as she is to be perfected in the world to come. Likewise, Mary shines forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come (cf. 2 Peter 3:10), as a sign of certain hope and comfort for the pilgrim People of God.* (Constitution on the Church, 68)

St Richard's

Gift Aid Statements

Gift Aid Statements for the financial year ending 5th April 2010 are now available for collection from the Parish Office.

Yoga

Classes resume on Monday 6th and Wednesday 8th September from 6—7pm. Payment for 1/2 term in advance. Please call Jane on 07779075444 if you would like to join. No previous experience needed!

Mercy House

After another very successful Garden Party and a further contribution from the Prebendal School associated with Joe Finn's Project, Fr Kieron has generously agreed to round up our donation to Mercy House using our Friday Project Fund and so this week we have sent a splendid £1500 donation to Mercy House. Additionally this week we have used Friday Project Funds to forward £2000 to CAFOD for aid to the Pakistan Flood Disaster.

The Music Group will be taking a break for most of August (1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd), returning on 29th August.

Our Lady of the Assumption

Bosham Bounce

Next month's draw will take place on Sunday 12th September. Balls can be bought on the day for £1.

Sussex Historic Ride and Stride

Saturday 11th September. We would like to be able to open the Church to visitors participating in this event. If you are able to offer an hour or two of your time between 9am and 6pm to "man" the church please contact Ann Granger 572232.



St Peter's

Children's Mass

We are planning to have four Masses a year when the children take an active role. Our next Children's Mass will be on Sunday 15th August. If your child/children are able to be at Mass that week and would like to be involved in the Readings, Bidding Prayers, taking the collection, greeting before Mass and the music, please let Christine Barton know on 670196 or Christine@beammicrosystems.com. She will also be at the back of the church after Mass.

Garden Party

Due to the success of our last Garden Party a couple of years ago, we are now holding a another one on Saturday 28th August between 6-8 pm This will be held in a marquee next to the Church Hall at St Peter's, (we are determined not to be caught out by the weather). Tickets will be £6 per head to include Canapés and 2 glasses of wine. A raffle will be held and any contributions to this will be most welcome. To buy your tickets, in advance, please contact Susie Locke 672997, Linda Jolly 670398 or Geoff Breeze 671082. Please do try to come along, apart from raising money for a very worthy cause and for ladies to wear their "best frocks", it is a golden opportunity for us parishioners to relax together and have a good chat.

Witterings 150 Club

The half-yearly draw will take place at the St Peter's Garden Party on Saturday 28th August. Mick and Pat Thompson will be collecting any monies owed after mass each Sunday between now and then. New members are welcome to join, £12 annual subscription.



Consulting and listening in the Parish

This year the Parish Coordinating Group has come up with an alternative to the "Parish Open Meeting".

On the evening of **Tuesday 7th September** at 7.30pm there will be a "**Parish Open Evening**" in the hall of St Richard's School. All parish organisations have been invited to send representatives to this gathering, so after a brief introduction, parishioners will be able to mix and mingle and find out more about the activities and opportunities in the parish, in a convivial atmosphere over a glass of wine. Have you ever wondered about what the Knights of St Columba do or how to become involved in music or Children's Liturgy? This could be your opportunity to find out!

This meeting will be followed up on **Tuesday 12th October** with a Forum on "Parish Matters". During this time a panel consisting of clergy, members of the Parish Coordinating Group and Finance Committee will be available to answer questions and discuss matters of concern in the Parish. Details will follow, but it is envisaged that questions will have to be submitted in advance. Watch this space!

Parish News

Friday Project

The Friday Project raised £57.76 this week.

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 information. **Open Door Prayer Meeting** on Wednesdays is now in recess for the summer period and will recommence on Wednesday 1st September with Holy Hour commencing at 7.45. Visit the CBS website www.catholic-bible-school.org for weekly reflections on the Sunday Mass Readings and our online shop or 01243 371766.

St Roches Day Open Air Ecumenical Service on the Trundle

Monday 16th August 6pm for 6.30pm. Address by Father Keith Hyde-Dunn. After the Blessing and Dismissal, for those who wish, there will be an opportunity for the laying on of hands as part of the Ministry of Healing.

West Dean Gardens Tuesday 24th August 2.45pm

Enjoy a Cream Tea (or tea/coffee & cake) in the beautiful surroundings of West Dean. Cost approx £5. Meet at West Dean at 2.45pm or transport available from Chichester, The Witterings and Bosham. Phone Maria 782837 to book by 22 August.

Mass for Health Care Workers

Saturday 4th September, 2.30pm at Arundel Cathedral celebrated by Bishop Kieran. Refreshments in St Mary's Hall.

The DIVA Opera at the Cathedral in aid of Stonepillow

Thursday 9th September. The auction and buffet will commence at 6.15pm followed by DIVA Opera's performance at 7.30pm. For tickets and further information please visit www.chichestertickets.co.uk/venue/chichester-cathedral.

Stars of Mary Mass

Mass for people with learning difficulties, their families, friends and the frail and elderly. Today, Sunday 15th August, 3pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfred, 12 Church Road, Selsey.

Forum on BioEthics

The Catholic Medical Association is considering holding another Forum on BioEthics early next year. These are an opportunity for nurses, doctors and all healthworkers to discuss where they feel a tension between their faith and the demands of their work. If you think you would be interested in attending please contact Sue O'Brien at DABCEC susan.obrien@dabnet.org or Peter Heeley at CMA peterheeley@hotmail.com.

Volunteers needed

Parishioner Glenn Hitchman, a psychology PhD student, needs some volunteers to help with his research project concerning extra-sensory perception (ESP). If you would like to help and have a spare half an hour, please phone 01243 776983 or email glenn.hitchman@northampton.ac.uk for more information.

Are you considering becoming a Catholic?

If you have ever thought about becoming a Catholic, the next session of inquiry into the Catholic faith begins in September. For details please phone the Parish Office (782343) or speak to either Fr Kieron or Fr Alexander after Mass.

Prayer Groups

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

Emmanuel Prayer Group Monday's at "Shalom", 28 Grosvenor Road at 8pm (Rosary at 7.45pm)

All welcome. Any queries contact Mary 785337.

Tuesday Morning Group The group is having a summer break and will meet again on 14th September 2010.

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 14th	St Richards	Vigil 6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 15th	St Richards	8.30am	Miss G Boulters
	St Peters	9.00am	Leonardo D'Anna RIP
	St Richard's	10.00am	Deceased members of the Timlick Family (M & J Timlick)
	Our Lady	11.00am	Mary Hill RIP & Jane Bedford RIP (Patrick Hill)
	St Richard's	12.00pm	Polish Mass
Mon 16th	St Richard's	8.00 am	Blessed Edward James RIP
	St Richard's	12.15 am	Phyll Deere RIP
Tues 17th	St Richard's	8.00am	Miss G Boulters
	Our Lady	10.00am	
Wed 18th	St Richard's	10.00am	Mary Kate & James Sharkey RIP (Maura Doocey)
Thurs 19th	St Richard's	12.15pm	Mary Timlick RIP
Fri 20th	St Richard's	8.00am	
	St Peter's	10.00am	
Sat 21st	St Richard's	10.00am	

21st Sunday of Year C

Sat 21st	St Richards	Vigil	In Memory of Angela Kent RIP & in Celebration of Angela and Peter's 40th Wedding Anniversary (Adrienne Denyer)
		6.00pm	
Sun 22nd	St Richards	8.30am	People of the Parish
	St Peters	9.00am	
	St Richard's	10.00am	For the Wellbeing of Gisela Gatford (Sylvia Haines & Family)
	Our Lady	11.00am	For the Brannan and Constable Families (Monica Brannan)
	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:

Friday—St Bernard, Abbott and Doctor of the Church
Saturday—St Pius X, Pope

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, 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 21st Sunday of Year C

<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Second Reading</i>	<i>Gospel</i>	<i>Psalm</i>
Isaiah 66:18-21	Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13	Luke 13:22-30	116



Items for the newsletter not later than 12pm on Wednesdays