

**Newsletter for the Parish of St Richard of Chichester,
Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham & St Peter's Parish, Wittering**

7th April 2019

5th Sunday of Lent

Psalter week 1

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This Week: 5th Sunday of Lent (Year A)

First Reading: *Ezekiel 37:12-14*

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

Ps129

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 Accl:

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; who ever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel:

John 11:1-45

I am the resurrection and the life.

Next Week: Palm Sunday Year C

Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord.

First Reading:

Isaiah 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult—I know I shall not be shamed.

Ps21

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second Reading: *Philippians 2:6-11*

He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

Gospel Accl:

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name that is above all names. Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel:

Luke 22:14-23-56

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Priests are available for Confessions:

St Peter's, Fridays, 9.30am-10am, St Richard's

(Blessed Sacrament Chapel) Saturdays

11.30am-12pm & 5.15-5.45pm

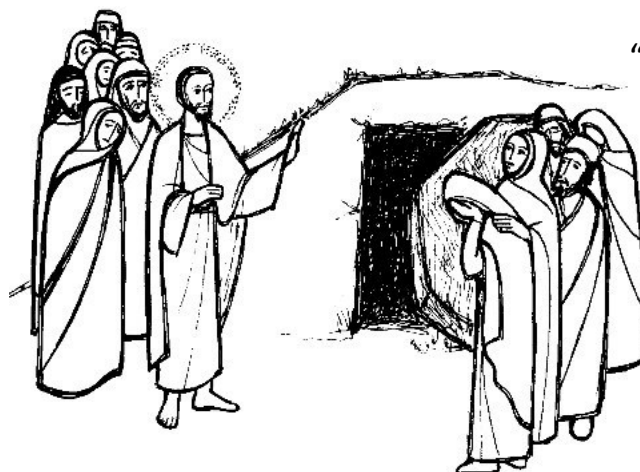
All three churches
have a loop system.



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**Remember the sick in our parishes in
your prayers:**

George Murphy, Patrick Hill, Rita & Eddie Rooke, Jan Thorpe, Jenny Edwards, Anthony Canon, Walter Hoppe, Miriam Freeman, Christopher Emerson, Ed Melancon, Peter Habgood, Gail Cote, Agnes Martin, Majella Taylor, David White, Anthony Nageon De Lestang, Gerald McGregor, Frank O'Donnell, Jill Serna, John Kirby, Robin Bowker, Gerry Farrell, Tony Whiting. *Please let the office know if you know of any changes to be made to the list*



John 11:26
“Whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

Liturgy and Education

The Parish Lent Reconciliation Service

will be held on Friday 12th April at 7pm at St Richard's with 6 priests available for individual confession and absolution. As part of the service the young people of our parish will be leading the Stations of the Cross. Please make every effort to join us.

Palm Sunday Procession Bosham

The Ecumenical Palm Sunday procession will leave from Our Lady of the Assumption at 10 am. This is earlier than on previous years. The procession usually takes about half an hour. On our return, tea and coffee will be available for those who would like it while they wait for the start of the 11 am Mass.

On Friday 12 April the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is encouraging the Catholic community to take part in a day of prayer for survivors of sexual abuse. It is the Holy Father's wish that this should be an annual event throughout the Universal Church.

God of mercy, it was not your plan that children should be abused – that vulnerable people's lives should be destroyed – nor that people called to goodness should give way to temptation to abuse or to cover up the sinful actions of others. The work of the Enemy has broken the heart of your Church – but the work of Christ will be its healing and redemption. In our sorrow and shame, we turn to you – our only source of hope. Give us faith to believe that you can bring light from this darkness; give us hope that the future can be built on the foundations of truth and justice; give us love that we each play our part – however great – however small - in your great work of healing the broken Body of Christ.

Thanksgiving Mass St Peter's THIS TUESDAY

to mark the 80th anniversary of the first Mass celebrated here. It will take place on 9th April at 7pm. The principle celebrant will be Bishop Richard. Canon Kieron and Fr Peter Newsam will be joining us too. Refreshments served in the hall afterwards.

Alpha Course

A new Alpha course will be starting after Easter at St Richard's. Alpha opens the door for those searching for a deeper meaning to life. Alpha is for everyone, including parishioners.

There will be a taster session on Monday 29th April in the Lower Parish Room at St Richard's —why not come along to see for yourself what it is all about? Do you know of anyone else who might be waiting for an invitation?

Palm Sunday Children's Liturgy There will be a special children's liturgy on palm Sunday. Meet with your parents at St Richard's School at 9.55am for the beginning of 10am Mass. The Children will process singing with the clergy and the servers and then we'll go straight into the hall for their own liturgy. Please let the catechists know of any food allergies.

Good Friday Children's Liturgy The children will have their own liturgy during the 3pm service, please bring your child to the lower parish room from 2.50pm, so they can be registered. Please sit in the reserved spaces in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel where your children will be brought back to you during the showing of the Cross. Please let the catechists know of any food allergies.

Prayer Ministry will be available before and after the 12.15 Mass at St Richard's on Wednesdays during Lent. If you have worries or concerns about health, friends or family our prayer ministers are very willing to pray with you before and after weekend Masses (wearing badges)

The Monthly Parish Event at Our Lady of Assumption, Bosham

Please note there will be no Event this month as it falls on Maundy Thursday. The next Event will be on Thursday 16 May with a talk on the Eucharistic Miracles by John Hutchings. Do come along, meet your friends and make new ones. We start with 12.15 Mass followed by a light lunch and a speaker/activity, plus a raffle, all for £2 with transport available via Tony Hodgekiss : 01243 781040

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This Saturday at the 6 pm Mass we will celebrate the Third Scrutiny for our Catechumens and Candidates. This is the last major liturgy before the Easter Vigil and will include the Presentation of the Lord's Prayer. The Lord's Prayer is more than a prayer - it is the model and blueprint of all our prayers. The reason for presenting it during Lent is because this is the central prayer of Christianity and one that "fills them with a deeper realization of the new spirit of adoption by which they will call God their Father, especially in the midst of the Eucharistic assembly" (R.C.I.A. 147).

St Peter's Maundy Thursday Solemn

Watch There is a rota in the porch for Adoration after Mass on Maundy Thursday. If you can be there for half an hour between 8 pm and midnight please you put your name on the Rota.

Stars of Mary Sunday 5th May Mass at 3pm will be offered for the Disabled, Frail or Elderly with their friends and families. Tea in the Presbytery will follow.

Easter Flowers Second Collection THIS WEEKEND

St Peter's Please note that the usual tin and dedications book will be there for your use in the porch at St Peter's for the collection monies towards the purchase of the Easter flowers.

St Richard's and Our Lady There will be a second collection next weekend at St Richard's and Our Lady for the Easter flowers.

Saturday Social 6th April after the 6pm Mass at St. Richard's there will be the second of our regular first Saturday of the month social gatherings in the Parish Rooms. Everyone is welcome and if you would like to bring a plate of finger food to share this would be very welcome.

MISSIO red boxes

St Peter's It's that time of year again. Will all APF Red Box (Missio) holders please bring their boxes so that the money can be counted. Please leave them in the porch at the back of the church. Many thanks for your support.

St Richards and Our Lady We shall be emptying the boxes during April so please bring yours either to the parish office or hand it to a Welcomer at Mass. If you are unable to bring in your box, please phone our Missio Local Secretary, Ann Greenwood (01243 783554)

Ministries over the Triduum There are **sign up sheets available in the sacristy** at St Richard's and Our Lady for ministries over the Triduum. If you are available to: welcome, read, be an extraordinary minister, sacristan or altar server please could you put your name down on the list. **Alternatively you can do this online at strichardschichester.co.uk/survey**

St Peter's New Hall There is an information sheet which has a reply slip at the bottom of it for you to give your opinion on the project. **Please take the time to give us your views.**

Organ Demonstration On Thursday April 11th (6.30 - 8 p.m.), Jeremy Meager, Managing Director of Viscount Organs, will demonstrate in our church the model of organ we are hoping to buy for use at Our Lady of the Assumption. All welcome.

CAFOD Emergency Cyclone Idai Appeal

Please support our parish retiring collection for this appeal on Palm Sunday (14th April). Your donation will give food, clean water and healthcare to people in desperate need.

Our Catholic Schools

St Peter's Catholic Primary School in WaterlooVille is currently recruiting a KS1/KS2 teacher for September 2019. For full details please speak to Kate Phillips on 0239226 2599 or email the school. Closing date 30/4/19.

Readers at the 8.30 Mass We badly need more readers at the 8.30am Sunday Mass. If you are able to help please could you let the parish office know? No volunteers yet!

St Mary's Hospital (Almshouses) Chi, needs a part-time Cover Warden for 2 weekends each month plus occasional extra cover for sickness/holidays. Friday 5pm till Sunday at 5pm c.£8 per hour. Required to live in. No personal care or nursing given by the warden team – we are looking for a mature, friendly, discreet, sensible candidate, male or female, preferably with a church affiliation in this Christian environment. Mrs Monica Winnett, St Mary's Hospital, St Martin's Square, PO19 1NR. 783377, warden@stmarysalmshouses.org.uk

A BIG Thankyou to all the Flower Ladies for helping to make Mothering Sunday such a joyful occasion, especially as it was Laetare Sunday!

St Peter's Parish Finances

1st January to 31st January 2019

Income	£2,484
Expenditure	£3,802
Deficit	-£1,318

Four Sunday Collections in January 2019

Cash Not Gift-Aided	£504
Gift Aided Envelopes	£462
GA STOS	£489
Total Donations	£1,455

1st February to 28th February 2019

Income	£2,062
Expenditure	£986
Surplus	£1,076

Four Sunday Collections in February 2019

Cash Not Gift-Aided	£594
Gift Aided Envelopes	£354
GA STOS	£334
Total Donations	£1,282

St Richard's Parish Finances

St Richard's Offertory Collections

Offertory Target	£10,000 per month
Gift Aid Rebate Target	£2,000 per month
Total	£12,000 per month

Four Sunday Collections in January 2019

Cash Not Gift-Aided	£2,692.41
Gift Aided Envelopes	£1,215.90
GA STOS	£4,700.00
GA Rebate	£1,478.97
	£10,087.28
January Deficit	£1,912.72

Four Sunday Collections in February 2019

Cash Not Gift-Aided	£2,560.95
Gift Aided Envelopes	£1,245.62
GA STOS	£3,793.00
GA Rebate	£1,259.65
	£8,859.22
February Deficit	£3,140.78

Offertory Status

Our increase in the offertory target has come about primarily from a Diocesan request to every parish to support the Retired Priests' Fund. Our first two months' offertory figures show a deficit of over £5,000. If this trend continues until the end of 2019, our deficit against budget will be in the order of £30,000. It is our intention to increase Gift Aid activity for ALL eligible individuals.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERYONE TO ENSURE OFFERTORY DONATIONS KEEP US ABLE TO OPERATE THE PARISH AND FULFIL OUR MISSION. THE PARISH NEEDS YOU.

Saturday 6th April		
St Richard's	12.15pm	Pauline Vidler RIP (Mary)
St Richard's	4.15 <i>Ordinariate Rite</i>	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	6.00pm	Deceased relatives and friends of Jean Darby
Sunday 7th April		5th Sunday of Lent
St Richard's	8.30am	Mary Ault RIP (Jerome and Elizabeth)
St Peter's	9.00am	Clare Clarke RIP (Maureen Savage)
St Richard's	10.00am	Intentions of the Arackal Family
Our Lady	11.00am	Patrick Busby RIP (Fran, Gerry and Family)
St Richard's	12.00am POLISH MASS	Celebrant's Intentions
Monday 8 April		
St Richard's	8.00am	Intentions of Daniel Tracey
St Richard's	12.15pm	Celebrant's Intentions
Tuesday 9 April		
St Richard's	8.00am	The repose of the soul of Mary Court
Our Lady	10.00am	In Thanksgiving (M.McEwan)
St Peter's	7.00pm	80th Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass for St Peter's Church
Wednesday 10 April		
St Richard's	8.00am	Intentions of Martin Jelley
St Peter's	9am-12noon	ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
Our Lady	12.00pm	Requiem Mass for Mary Andrews RIP
St Richard's	NO 12.15 MASS TODAY	
Thursday 11th April		
St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	12.15pm	Celebrant's Intentions
Friday 12th April		A Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse
St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	8.00am-10pm	ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
St Peter's	10.00am	Philomena McGettigan RIP (Nora Haugh)
St Richard's	7.00pm	Reconciliation Service with Stations of the Cross
Saturday 13th April		
St Richard's	12.15pm	Nicholas Medcalf RIP (Tess and Family)
St Richard's	4.15 <i>Ordinariate Rite</i>	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	6.00pm	Celebrant's Intentions
Sunday 14th April		Palm Sunday
St Richard's	8.30am	Celebrant's Intentions
St Peter's	9.00am	Deceased members of the Connick Family (Seamus Connick).
St Richard's	10.00am	Intentions of the Tess Gooderson
Our Lady	11.00am	Mary and Maurice Hill RIP (P. Hill)
St Richard's	12.00am POLISH MASS	Celebrant's Intentions