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4th August 2019

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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

**This Week: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year c)**

First Reading *Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23*

What does a man gain for all his toil?

**Ps 89** **O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.**

Second Reading: *Col 3:1-5. 9-11*

You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

**Gospel Accl: Alleluia, Alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!**

Gospel: *Luke 12:13-21*

This hoard of yours, whose will it be?

**Next Week: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year c)**

First Reading *Wisdom 18:6-9*

By the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

**Ps 32** **Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.**

Second Reading: *Hebrews 11:1-2. 8-19*

Abraham looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

**Gospel Accl: Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**

Gospel: *Luke 12:32-48*

You too must stand ready.

**Priests are available for Confessions:**

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

St Richard's, Saturdays,  
(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)  
11.30am-12pm &  
5.15-5.45pm and by appointment

**Request your email copy of this newsletter from the parish office**

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

Eileen & Peter Robson, George Murphy, Patrick Hill, Rita & Eddie Rooke, Jan Thorpe, Jenny Edwards, Walter Hoppe, Christopher Emerson, 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*

All three churches  
have a loop system.



## Liturgy and Education

### Our Lady of the Assumption - Shared Lunch

Please join us for a shared lunch at Our Lady of the Assumption after Mass on Sunday August 18th (The first Sunday after the Feast of the Assumption).

**Please pray** for the repose of the soul of Bosham parishioner Maureen Heath. Her requiem Mass will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption at 2pm on Friday 16th August.

### Grandparents' Annual Formation Day : Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

September, Starting with Mass at 10 am. At the Church of St John the Evangelist, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Elizabeth O'Shea, Parenting Expert, Will help us to explore strategies to support young people and the pressures they live under today.

Please book at [Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk)

### Dialogue and Unity Day 2019, Catholicism and Islam: Encounter and Engagement:

**Saturday 28th September 10-4pm - St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley.** Bring a packed lunch. The day is for Catholics and anyone who is interested in this topic. We will be exploring the Churches teaching and examples of the teaching being lived out, and we will hear from our friend Kauser Akhtar, Surrey Faith Links Adviser, Muslim, Shah Jahan Mosque, Woking. Come along and find out about our local Interfaith groups. Booking at [www.abdiocese.org.uk](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk)

### Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers on Sat. 14<sup>th</sup>

September, at 12 noon, with Bishop Richard presiding. For all who have served, are serving and anybody who would like to. Please bring cassock/cotta or alb. Light refreshments will follow (bring a packed lunch if you wish).

### If you're not Catholic but would like to know more about what the Catholic Church believes and teaches ....

A short introductory course to the Catholic faith will begin at St Richards in September. For details, without commitment, please contact the parish office on 01243 673346 or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

## Confirmation

Our new confirmation programme starts here in September for all current year 10's and older. We are just finalising a few dates so, please check the newsletter next week for details on course dates and for the application form. The introductory meeting is at St Richard's on 10th September at 7pm, and all forms to be handed back before then.

**Prayer Ministry** 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).

### St Peter's

For the month 1st to 30th April 2019

Income	£5,050
Expenditure	£2,758
Surplus	£2,292
Four Sunday Collections in April 2019.	
Cash not Gift-aided	£506
Gift-aided envelopes	£316
Gift-aided Standing Orders	£535
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>£1,357</b>

### 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 Jan 19 including Gift Aid rebate	£10,087	
<b>January 2019 deficit</b>		<b>£1,913</b>
Four Sunday Collections in Feb 19 including Gift Aid rebate	£8,859	
<b>February 2019 deficit</b>		<b>£3,141</b>
Four Sunday Collections in Feb 19 including Gift Aid rebate	£11,019	
<b>March 2019 deficit</b>		<b>£981</b>
Four Sunday Collections in Feb 19 including Gift Aid rebate (The Easter Sunday collection on 21st April was for the Priests)	£9,080	
<b>April 2019 deficit</b>		<b>£2,920</b>
Four Sunday Collections in May 19 including Gift Aid rebate	£10,414	
<b>May 2019 deficit</b>		<b>£1,586</b>
Five Sunday Collections in June 19 including Gift Aid rebate	£12,527	
<b>June 2019 surplus</b>		<b>-£527</b>

**The total is a deficit for the six months Jan to June 2019 of**

**£10,012**

For anyone who would like to know more about **the Mercy House Charity** the latest information can be found on the Mercy house website at:- [www.mercy-house.co.za](http://www.mercy-house.co.za). For anyone who would like further detailed information and to read Diana Beamish's book called "Tracing the Divine" please contact Mrs. Judy McGregor on 01243-776239.

When Fr Sebastian or Fr Tom are away we are fortunate that Fr Peter Johnstone celebrates the 10am Mass here and Fr David Russell is able to celebrate the 8.30am Mass.

Fr David Russell lives in Littlehampton but does not have his own transport. Would you be able to offer your services to either collect Fr Russell before the 8.30 Mass or to drop him home afterwards? He will be celebrating Mass here on the 11th August. If you can help please could you let the parish office know.

The parish office will be closed between August 12th and August 16th—there will be a 2 week newsletter on August 11th so please make sure you send in your items for the newsletter in time.

### **Fundraising for the new St Wilfrid's Hospice**

Come and enjoy a Cream Tea in the peaceful setting of St Peter's hall, Fishbourne road on Sunday 4th August from 3 to 5pm. The new hospice is now open in Bosham and will cost £7.5m to run each year so every support helps. Curious? Tours of the new premises can be booked on 01243 775302

**School Uniform Shop** for St Richards and St Philip Howard. Uniform will be sold in the lower parish rooms on 31st July 10-3; 17th August 10-3; and 30th August 10-3 by My School Stuff. They also have a website where you can purchase uniform.

**1st Saturday Social—this Saturday after the 6pm Mass** all welcome to come to drinks and nibbles after the 6pm Mass this Saturday 3rd August in the lower parish room at St Richard's.

### **St. Peter's Summer Fair - Saturday 17th August 2019**

**12:00 noon - 3:00pm**

BBQ, Games, Tombola, Raffle, Crockery Smash!, Silent Auction Arena Events and Fun day for all the family

In support of:

St. Peter's Church and Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice

Any donations may be brought to church as follows

Sun 28th July: Bottle Tombola and Raffle prizes

Sun 4th August: Nearly new clothes and Plants/Preserves

Sun 11th August: Books & Bric a Brac/Tombola

Fri 16th August from 5pm: Setup in the Hall

**Can anyone who has been storing any items to do with the Fete, can you please bring it ASAP or contact Sylvie as we have adequate storage now.**

For an up to date list of items in the silent auction please go to [www.strichardschichester.co.uk/events](http://www.strichardschichester.co.uk/events)

### **Work on the extension and barrier at St Richard's Car Park**

This was due to start last week, but has unfortunately been postponed due to a lack of availability of contractors to start the work, on budget, over the summer holidays. Chris and the Fabric team are now researching the possibility of splitting the project up into various smaller jobs to be contracted out.

**SHORT SLOW AMBLE** in Bosham on Wednesday August 21st. 56 bus leaving the Bus Station at 10.30am. All welcome. Any queries please contact Susan on 776792

**Ride and Stride** St Richard's will take part again this year in the Sponsored Ride and Stride in aid of Sussex Churches and Chapels on 14th September. If you would like to register to take part please go to [www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk](http://www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk) and register for Ride and Stride. It also gives a full list of the churches taking part.

## **Prayer Opportunities**

- **Adoration** Friday at St Richard's Blessed Sacrament Chapel 8.00am-10pm
- **Adoration** Wednesdays 9-12 noon St Peter's, East Wittering
- **Bosham Tuesday Group** Tuesdays after Mass in Bosham Church. All welcome.
- **Holy Family Indian Prayer Meeting** 3rd Sunday of the month 2pm -7pm in St Richards Church.
- **Prayer Ministry** is available after most weekend Masses in St Richard's, Our Lady and St Peter's.
- **Rosary Group** Monday 10am: St Peter's Church, East Wittering. All welcome.
- **Rosary Group** last Tuesday of every month 2 Caedwalla Drive, Tangmere.
- **Rosary Group** Every Friday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel St Richards at 2pm.
- **Runcton Manor: Quiet day** A day of rest & reflection. 3rd Wednesday of every month 10.30am to 12.30pm followed by shared lunch. email [runctonmanor@gmail.com](mailto:runctonmanor@gmail.com) or Chris Bemrose on 278307 or Kate Taylor 776999.
- **Christian Meditation (& Lectio Divina)** every Tuesday evening in the upper parish room 6pm. For all enquiries please call Kate on 07808 761696.

<b>Saturday 3rd August</b>		
St Richard's	12.15pm	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	4.15pm <i>Ordinariate Rite</i>	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	6.00pm	Dr Miriam McKenna Freeman RIP (Jean Darby)
<b>Sunday 4th August</b>		<b>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</b>
St Richard's	8.30am	Intentions of the Bulpett Family (Clare Apel)
St Peter's	9.00am	Brian Lynch RIP (Pat Lynch)
St Richard's	10.00am	Benefactors and supporters of Sanctuary in Chichester (R. France)
Our Lady	11.00am	Mr Nicholas R N Day RIP (K Buckley and Family)
St Richard's	12noon POLISH MASS	Celebrant's Intentions
<b>Monday 5th August</b>		
St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	12.15pm	Private Intention
<b>Tuesday 6th August</b>		<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>
St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
Our Lady	10.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
<b>Wednesday 7th August</b>		
St Richard's	8.00am	Dr Miriam McKenna Freeman RIP (Margaret Beazley)
St Peter's	9am-12noon	ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
St Richard's	12.15pm	Rita Anne Bennett RIP
<b>Thursday 8th August</b>		<b>St Dominic</b>
St Richard's	8.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	12.15pm	Celebrant's Intentions
<b>Friday 9th August</b>		<b>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</b>
St Richard's	8.00am	Timothy's Birthday (Ginu and Mathew)
St Richard's	8.00am-9.00pm	ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament
St Peter's	10.00am	Celebrant's Intentions
<b>Saturday 10th August</b>		<b>St Lawrence</b>
St Richard's	12.15pm	In Thanksgiving (Ginu and Mathew)
St Richard's	4.15pm <i>Ordinariate Rite</i>	Celebrant's Intentions
St Richard's	6.00pm	John Whiting RIP (Tony Whiting)
<b>Sunday 11th August</b>		<b>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C</b>
St Richard's	8.30am	For the wellbeing of refugees and asylum seekers (R. France)
St Peter's	9.00am	Bernard Haugh RIP (Julie-Anne Sparrow)
St Richard's	10.00am	Paul Knowles RIP (Sarah Hewitt)
Our Lady	11.00am	William Lonergan RIP
St Richard's	12noon POLISH MASS	Celebrant's Intentions