

**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd August 2020**

Church Newsletter

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Dear Brother and Sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel we hear Matthew's account of the feeding of the five thousand. This is the only miracle that is reported by all the four gospels, because the link to the Eucharist is obvious. The verbs used at the end of the passage, that is: 'taking', 'blessing', 'breaking' and 'sharing' to describe what Jesus did with the bread are repeated at every single Mass.

The Eucharist has the same characteristics of this miracle: the community and the transformation of humble elements into what satisfies us as a sign of God's abundant gifts. Yet the gift is immeasurably greater: it is the body and blood of Christ.

We stand in awe of this great gift and ask for the grace to be grateful and to enter more deeply into this great mystery, especially at a time when participation in the Eucharist has been denied us for so long and we are slowly being able to come together as a community once more, to share in God's gift.

With blessings and best wishes for the week ahead,

Deacon Jon

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First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3
Resp Psalm: 144

Second Reading: Rom 8:35

Gospel Accl:

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Come and eat.

You open wide your hand, O Lord, you grant our desires.

No created thing can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

They all ate as much as they wanted.

Confessions They will be available at St Richard's on Wednesdays from 9am – 11am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, during private prayer. No need to book, just turn up. (And at other times by appointment.)

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Ellie Butler, Molly Morgan, Jan Thorpe, Frank O'Donnell, Jo Scholes, Dennis Chiles, Kay Howlett, Eileen and Peter Robson, Rene Coutts, Michael O'Neil, Patrick Hill, Rita & Eddie Rooke, Jenny Edwards, Walter Hoppe, Christopher Emerson, Peter Habgood, Agnes Martin, Majella Taylor, David White, Nicola and Anthony Nageon De Lestang, Gerald McGregor, Jill Serna, Robin Bowker, Helena Denis, Tony Whiting.

Please let the office know of any changes to be made

This week in our churches

Date	Time	Public	Where	livestreamed
Sat 1 Aug St Alphonsus Ligouri	8am	YES*	St Richard's	no
	<i>Eddie Roblin RIP</i>			
	6pm	YES	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Rosemary Wong RIP (E. Wong)</i>			
Sun 2 Aug 18th Sunday in OT	9am	YES	St Peter's	No
	<i>Christopher Beech RIP (Marie McNearny)</i>			
	10am	YES	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Josephine France RIP (R. France)</i>			
	11am	YES	Our Lady	No
	<i>Gerry Farrell RIP (McCaughey Family)</i>			
Mon 3 August	8am	YES *	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Richard and Christina Buckingham RIP (J.French)</i>			
Tues 4th August St John Mary Vianney	8am	no	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Audrey Wilcock RIP (Gerry Cleaver)</i>			
	10am	YES *	Our Lady	no
Wed 5th August	8am	no	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Miriam McKenna freeman RIP</i>			
	9am-11am Private Prayer & Confessions at St Richard's			
Thur 6th August Transfiguration of the Lord	8am	YES *	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Patrick Doocey RIP (Maura and Family)</i>			
Fri 7 August	8am	no	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Special Intention (R.I)</i>			
	10am	YES	St Peter's	no
Sat 8 Aug St Dominic	8am	YES*	St Richard's	no
	6pm	YES	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>Gerry Farrell RIP (David & Theresa)</i>			
Sun 2 Aug 19th Sunday in OT	9am	YES	St Peter's	No
	<i>Bernard Haugh RIP (Julie Sparrow)</i>			
	10am	YES	St Richard's	Yes
	<i>In Thanksgiving (Ginu and Mathew)</i>			
	11am	YES	Our Lady	No

* Spaces are still available. Please contact the parish office in advance

Mass Bookings for the weeks 3rd August—23rd August

Unfortunately we need to ask you all again what your wishes are for attending Mass for the next 3 weeks. So, if you have not already let the parish office know what your wishes are please do so as soon as possible.

If you already attend a weekend Mass we cannot guarantee that there will be a place for you for the next 3 weeks, but we will try our best to accommodate everyone who wants to come to Mass. We will let you know in the week, either way.

Please let us know which Church and which mass(es) you would want to attend and whether you are able to help wipe down the surfaces after mass, to steward, to read or to altar serve.

Contact us on:

- Email: chichester@abdiocese.org.uk
- tel / text: 07521 697117
- Web: www.strichardschichester.co.uk/survey

For those not able to return the livestream Masses will continue.

N.B If we do not have enough volunteers for each mass then we will not be able to allow parishioners to attend.

Although this is counter to everything we believe, we must ask you not to come along to Mass unless you have checked in advance that there are spaces for you.

This weekend all Masses are full.

Attending Public Masses

Communion of one kind will be available (or a blessing).

We will have no singing, no sign of peace, and no bidding prayers. Toilet facilities will not be available.

We will be respecting the 2m rule in the church and the maximum capacity of the churches cannot be exceeded. (40 at St Richards and Our Lady, 25 St Peter's). Everyone is required to use the hand sanitiser on entering the churches.

The Government briefing on Friday 31st July recommends that we all wear masks in places of worship. This is to become law by the 8th August. So, from next weekend we will all be required to wear a mask to Church.

Parish Community Fund Over the past few months many of you have been very generous in donating to the PCF. Each month the money has been used to support families in the form of supermarket food vouchers.

Teresa and family would like to thank you for all the thoughtful messages of sympathy and Masses that have been arranged following the sad death of Gerard/Gerry Farrell.

Funeral of Fr John Healy

Please pray for the community of Selsey parish as they prepare for the funeral of their Parish Priest on Tuesday 4th August.

There are a few remaining spaces in the church for the Funeral. Fr John's body will be received into the Church at 10am and the Church will be open for private prayer until 12pm.

For more information, please phone Selsey Parish on 602312.

Triple Newsletter

Amy will be away from the office from 8th August until 23rd August. Non-urgent emails will not be dealt with until after this date. Next week there will be a newsletter covering 3 weekends. If there is anything that you would like put into the newsletter then please let the Parish office know.

Lifecentre are recruiting an Operations Manager 30 - 37 hours depending upon candidate £30,000 - £36,000 per annum full time salary. Lifecentre is a medium sized charity that supports survivors of rape and sexual abuse across West Sussex. We are recruiting an Operations Manager to join our team. Reporting directly to the CEO, this is an excellent opportunity to work for a great cause and gain leadership experience. The Operations Manager will oversee key business support and operational activity, co-ordinating the office base to ensure that Lifecentre operates smoothly and in accordance with legal and professional standards. The role includes responsibility for: operational policies and procedures, client support team management, management of buildings and facilities, oversight of finance and payroll, GDPR and data management, oversight of IT systems, data management, Health & Safety, quality assurance and risk and compliance with Charity Governance. : For an job pack, email: opsmanager@lifecentre.uk.com or telephone: 01243-786349. For full details download the job pack, including job description and person specification from our website. Closing date for applications: midnight Wednesday 19 August 2020
Interviews: Wednesday 1 September 2020

Our Parish Offertory

While our churches have been closed our income has dropped significantly. We are very grateful to all those who are responding generously through standing orders, bank transfers and other donations. For parishioners who normally donate by way of the offertory collection or by using Gift Aid envelopes are unable to do so we are offering parishioners several options to continue regular giving:

1. Set up a standing order online
2. Make a single payment by online banking or by cheque
3. Make a donation through the Diocese JustGiving page

The details for our bank accounts and JustGiving are shown below. Thank you very much for your continued support of our parish.

St Richard's, Chichester & Our Lady, Bosham	St Peter's, East Wittering
<p>Via credit / debit card https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ChichesterwiththeWitterings</p>	<p>Via credit / debit card https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ChichesterwiththeWitterings</p>
<p>Via bank transfer Name: RCD A&B St Richard of Chichester Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account No: 41076582 Reference: surname and offertory</p>	<p>Via bank transfer Name: RCD A&B St Peter's Wittering Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account No: 71077716 Reference: surname and offertory</p>
<p>Cheques to: ' St Richard's Chichester' Parish office, St Richard's Church</p>	<p>Cheques to : 'St Peter's RC Church' Sent to: 103 Stocks Lane, East Wittering PO20 8NU</p>