



ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH

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Week of 22nd March 2009 – Fourth Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday

8.00 am Holy Eucharist at St Paul's and St Michael's

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Father Richard presides and preaches.

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

6.30 pm Joint Evening Worship at Christ Church

6.30 pm ROX Youth Group - for all young people in school years 7 – 9



MONDAY to SATURDAY at St Paul's

9.00 am Morning Prayer

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

Mon 23rd 10.00 am CHERUBS in the Parish Centre. Play and activities for pre-school children with parents/carers.

7.30 pm CTiC Lent Talk at Christ Church "A Vision for Unity" – Fr Kieron O'Brien of St Richards Church

Tues 24th 8.00 am Holy Eucharist

Wed 25th Feast of the ANNUNCIATION of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST at St Peter's Westhampnett

3.30 pm Junior Confirmation Preparation in the Parish Centre

7.30 pm Ladies Group – Tour of Peru – with Mrs Tracy Flitcroft

Thu 26th 10.00 am Holy Eucharist

7.45 pm Senior Confirmation Preparation The Rectory, Tower Close

Fri 27th 11.30 am Holy Eucharist at Augusta Court - all welcome

12.30 pm – 1.30 pm – Silent Prayer before the Cross

NEXT SUNDAY 29th March 2009 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

8.00 am Holy Eucharist 9.00 am Morning Prayer

8.20 am Breakfast Taizé Eucharist at St Wilfrid's

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34; Hebrews 5.5-10; John 12.20-33

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

6.30 pm Fifth Sunday Passion Readings and Music at St George's, Whyke

6.30pm St Paul's ROX Youth Group in the Parish Centre

At St Peter's, Westhampnett: on Wednesdays Morning Prayer at 9 am and on Fridays Evensong at 5.30 pm, and Fr James is usually in St Peter's from 4 pm – 6 pm

What it is to be an Anglican, No. 3 11.30 – 12.15, Next Sunday March 29th

"Anglican: a communion of churches across the world". **Fr Paul Collins** teaches

TODAY – FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT - Mothering Sunday

10 00am PARISH EUCHARIST (Junior Church and Crèche in the Parish Centre)

Introit	57	<i>Awake, awake: fling off the night</i>
After 1st Reading	465	<i>Name of all majesty, fathomless mystery</i>
Offertory	630	<i>Tell his praise in song and glory</i>
Communion Anthem		<i>For the beauty of the Earth – Carter</i>
Post Communion	453	<i>My faith looks up to thee</i>

Collect of the Day

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Numbers 21.4-9

For the third time in the Bible, the Israelites on the pilgrimage to the Promised Land run out of food and water. This time there is no miraculous supply, only some relief from snake-bites when Moses made a serpent of bronze for healing. As Jesus reminded his hearers, whenever people raised their eyes to this sign, their illness was lifted from them.

Second Reading Ephesians 2.1-10

It is by God's grace that we are saved, not by any effort of our own. Christ has been raised up into God's presence, and draws us up with him from death to life.

Gospel Reading John 3.14-21

Three times John's Gospel has Jesus speaking of being "lifted up". In this passage, Jesus recalls Moses lifting up the serpent for the healing of the people. Just so, says Jesus, the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that those who look to him and believe in him may have eternal life.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Immediately after the service, **refreshments** in the Parish Centre, and **the Ministry of Healing** (prayer, laying on of hands, anointing) in the Lady Chapel.

Clearing the hall. If you are still in the hall after refreshments this morning, and are able, please give a few minutes of your time to help put away chairs and tables

Lent Boxes for our Mission Partners in Church Army, CMS and USPG: it's not quite too late to collect one, or make a donation using a Mission Group Gift Aid envelope.

Children's Society Boxes: Please return yours to Hilary Smith or the Parish Office.

Music Exams in church: Monday 23rd (2 – 5pm), Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th (10 am - 5 pm), Thursday 26th (11 am - 5 pm) Friday 20th (2 - 5 pm).

All involved in **food preparation** at St Paul's are encouraged to attend a Food Safety presentation on **Tuesday March 31st at 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre.

HOLY WEEK 2009

PALM SUNDAY April 5th

9.45 am PROCESSION of PALMS & PARISH EUCHARIST, all together

6.30 pm Palm Praise - Christ Church

Monday, 6th, Tuesday, 7th

7.30 pm Holy Eucharist with address

Wednesday, 8th

7.30 pm Holy Eucharist with address and the Ministry of Healing

MAUNDY THURSDAY 9th

7.30 pm THE HOLY EUCHARIST of the LAST SUPPER, FOOTWASHING, PROCESSION to the ALTAR of REPOSE, and VIGIL until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY 10th

**11 am The Chichester Passion,`
*starting in Priory Park***

1.30 pm The SOLEMN LITURGY of the PASSION of the LORD, with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY 11th

7.45 pm The EASTER VIGIL, New Fire, Readings and Holy Baptism at St Peter's, Westhampnett with Bishop Henry Scriven

EASTER DAY 12th

5.30 am The PASCHAL LITURGY, with the Fire, Blessing of Paschal Candle, Confirmation and First Eucharist of Easter, with Bishop Henry Scriven

8.00 Holy Eucharist

10.00 am The PARISH EUCHARIST

Easter Lilies – if you would like to buy one (£1.75) in memory of a loved one Please bring the money to the Parish Office or Chantal Tomlinson ☎ 782979.

The Quiet Garden by the Water. On **Maundy Thursday, 9th April** from **2.00pm to 4.30pm** the Footwashing led by the Revd. Canon Dr Peter Lippiett of the Dyke House, Bosham Hoe. To book ☎ 572745 or ☎ 572549.

The Good Friday Chichester Passion Stewards are needed on **10th April:** please contact John Ashwin (☎ 786501)

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Tuesday, 28th April.

- **The Electoral Roll** is the list of church members of the parish. **Have you recently joined St Paul's? If you** are a baptised member of the Church of England, over 16 and live in the parish, or if you do not reside in the parish, but have habitually attended public worship here for at least six months you can apply to be on the Electoral Roll. If you have previously attended a church of another denomination, you are most welcome here: please talk with one of the clergy before applying. Enrolment forms can be obtained from the Parish Office
- **Churchwardens** are elected every year (Priscilla Gerrans is willing to serve again if elected; and Mike Joyner wishes to hand on the baton) and
- **four new PCC members** are needed: would you, or someone you know, be suitable to serve the Parish?
- **Church groups and activities** Would all leaders bring their annual report to the church office as soon as possible.

Mrs Josie Charlesworth who died last week, was a member of St Paul's. Her

funeral is at **1.15 pm on Wednesday , 1st April in church.**

BUILDING ON SUCCESS

Who do you think you are?

Interested in researching your family history? Rachel Fletcher has twenty years experience in researching family histories and has offered to start people off in finding out about their own families, to raise money for the building appeal. If you are interested, contact Rachel on 01243 537128 or e-mail: brfletch@globalnet.co.uk and arrange to see her at home (18 Tudor Close, opposite Lavant Road Doctor's Surgery) where she has the necessary computer package. The charge is £10 per hour, all of which will go to Building on Success.

Enjoy a holiday and help St Paul's:

A 3 bedroom holiday cottage (sleeps 5) in Cornwall on the edge of Bodmin Moor is available for use, in return for suitable donation to the building fund (limited availability during the school holidays). For details contact Jane Martin 781737 or email: jane.martin4@tesco.net

Events list Look at the list in the parish centre, to see if there is something *you* could organize and run.

Please pray for St Wilfrid's parish, and for **Fr Mark Gilbert** as he begins his ministry there on Tuesday, 31st March.

Schools Vouchers from Sainsbury's and Tesco's. Please accept the vouchers offered at the till and bring them to the

Parish Office for our local schools if you have no favourite school yourself.

Confirmation 2009 – We look forward to welcoming **Bishop Henry Scriven**, Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Chichester, to preside at the great Easter Celebration of Baptism and Confirmation. Please pray for the candidates and those travelling with them – Andy, Becky, Georgie, Joseph, Judith, Justine, Laine, Louise, Matthew, Rose, Ros and Tabitha.

Eco Tip – Strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and to sustain the life of the earth. Anglican Communion's fifth mark of mission.

Church Library – New Books







"The Unique and Universal Christ – Jesus in a Plural Word" by Michael Nazir-Ali, Bishop of Rochester The author shows how Jesus' understanding of himself and his work bears on contemporary cultures and their values.

"Jesus, Safe, Tender and Extreme" by Adrian Plass addresses deep issues we all face, with encouraging commentary, funny stories and profound truth.

"Discovering Jesus" by William Barclay. The well-known author sifts an array of facts, and with simplicity and integrity presents the eternal and yet contemporary Christ. The book contains many illustrations.

Shepherds' Pie lunch in St Paul's Centre on **Tuesday 21st April**, run by **St Wilfrid's Hospice** support group.

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details on the poster by the West Door.