



# The United Benefice

of Chichester St Paul and Westhampnett St Peter

## ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH



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Week of 13th September 2009 – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity - Proper 19

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

**8.20 am Breakfast Taizé Eucharist** at *St Wilfrid's*

9.00 am Morning Prayer

**10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST**

*Fr Paul Collins presides and*

*Fr John Richardson assists and preaches*

**3.00 pm Music for a Sunday Afternoon**

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### New at St Paul's?

Please introduce yourself, collect a Welcome Leaflet (details of regular groups and meetings). If you wish, fill in a yellow card with your details.

**EVERY DAY** in *St Paul's* **9.00 am Morning Prayer – 5.30 pm Evening Prayer**

**Mon 14th** **9.30 am Holy Eucharist** for Holy Cross Day

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

**Tues 15th** **8.00 am Holy Eucharist**

**10.00 am Extended Parish Prayer** – with meditation. All are welcome.

**12 noon Funeral of Mrs Georgina Watson**

**7.30pm Eco Congregation Group Meeting**

**Wed 16th** **11.45 am Holy Eucharist with Ministry of Healing**

**12.30 pm Meet'n'Eat Monthly Luncheon**

**Thu 17th** **10.00 am Holy Eucharist** with Mothers' Union

**2.00 pm "Drink, Drugs and Jesus!"** an open meeting arranged by Mothers' Union with Tony Williams from the Kenward Trust

**NEXT SUNDAY 20th September – Trinity 15 – Proper 20**

**8.00 am Holy Eucharist**

9.00 am Morning Prayer

**10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST**

Readings: Wisdom of Solomon 1.16 - 2.1,12-22; James 3.13 - 4.3,7-8a; Mark 9.30-37

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

**On the edge?** Is that where you see yourself in relation to the Christian faith or the church? In September there will be a few occasions to come and air your questions, doubts, complaints and enquiries in an open atmosphere. More details later, but contact one of the clergy now if you might be interested, to arrange convenient times.

## TODAY – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST *Crèche and Junior Church in the Parish Centre*

<b>Introit</b>	<b>352</b>	<i>Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it</i>
<b>Gradual</b>	<b>627</b>	<i>Take up your cross, he says</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>394</b>	<i>(v1-8) Lift high the Cross</i>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>341</b>	<i>Jesus all holy, gentle and lowly</i>
<b>Post Communion</b>	<b>716</b>	<i>We have a gospel to proclaim</i>

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading **Isaiah 50.4-9a**

Isaiah pictures a faithful servant of God who is deeply and unjustly humiliated, but remains dignified in suffering. Whatever the original context of these words, the Church has always seen them as foretelling the suffering of Jesus.

### Second Reading **James 3.1-12**

This general letter of instruction in Christian behaviour now tells us to take great care not only in what we may teach others but in everything we say. Our tongue can be greatly influential for good or for ill.

### Gospel Reading **Mark 8.27-38**

Mark has already shown that opposition to Jesus simmered beneath all the popularity. Now we come to a turning point in his Gospel. He introduces the darker themes of cross and rejection - which in some way every disciple must expect to face.

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in 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.*

**Holy Communion and the Swine 'flu pandemic** Your PCC discussed at length and in depth the Bishop's letter advising that the Sacrament should be administered under the form of the host (the consecrated bread) only; and how we should greet one another at the Peace of the Lord (details are on the notice board and on the Diocesan Website [www.diochi.org.uk](http://www.diochi.org.uk) – links on home page). The PCC resolved to continue as we are until the end of the month, or until the advice changes, and that Fr Richard should write to the Bishop advising him of our decision. A copy of the PCC's letter is posted alongside the Bishops' letters.

**The Choir** needs new children. There is space for another 10. Also a couple of adult members would be welcome in all departments. No audition needed, and there is the prospect of being on the Choir CD this October.

## BUILDING ON SUCCESS

**Smarties amnesty** – please remember to return your Smarties tubes when full.

**Direct Giving** Can you afford a regular small donation to BoS by Standing Order?

**If you have something to sell on Ebay** contact James Ellis: 790923 e-mail [rosieandjamesellis@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rosieandjamesellis@yahoo.co.uk)

**7 brave walkers** walked all the way - 80 miles - from Chichester to St Paul's in London, , and 3 more walked most of it, and 1 for the last day. **Would sponsors please send in your money**, gift-aided if possible, either on line at: [www.justgiving.com/stpaulstostpauls](http://www.justgiving.com/stpaulstostpauls) , or by cash with a form? And if you didn't sponsor in advance, it's not too late if the walkers' achievements inspire you!

Have you signed up for the **100+ Club** yet. Better odds than the lottery – win £50 every month. See Michael Brittain after the service.

**Organ Recital on Saturday September 26th at 7.30pm** by Andrew Dibb, former Director of Music at Prebendal and now currently organist at West Wittering. Tickets £10. BOS card holders £8. Organ music to entertain from across the centuries.

There will be a **Coffee Concert on Sunday 20th September** after the 10.00am Eucharist with Victoria Larley, giving a recital of British song accompanied by Martin Ridley.

**"Drink, Drugs and Jesus!"** an open meeting arranged by MU at **2.00 pm on Thursday 17th September** in the Parish Centre, with Tony Williams from the Kenward Trust, which has numerous recovery projects in Kent and Sussex. More details on yellow fliers: all welcome.

**Eco-point** - A PC monitor switched off overnight saves enough energy to microwave six dinners.

With effect from this month the **Healing Group** meeting will change from the 2nd Tuesday of each month to the last Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be on **29th September**.

**Harvest Hoe-Down** – Barn Dance and BBQ on **3rd October** 6.00pm for 6.15pm. Costume optional – tickets £8 for adults, £6 concessions on sale now.

**Back to Church Sunday** nationally is on September 27th, but we shall be inviting people specially to Church on **October 4th**, which is our **Harvest Thanksgiving at 10 am**. It's also the feast of St Francis of Assisi, and there will be a **Pet's Service at 3.30 pm**. So come along, bring your neighbours and friends, and your pet(s) in the afternoon! If there are members of the congregation whom you haven't seen in church for a while, this is a good day for you to invite them "back to church".

### Parish freecycle:

**Wanted** small fridge-freezer contact Jill Goulding ☎ 775916.

**Offer** – George Foreman Lean Machine grilling machine, family size. Contact Judith ☎ 786570

**Eco Matters** – those who attended the talk on recycling will be aware of the new high tech recycling centre at Ford. It is now open for group tours and if you are interested please speak to Kathy Manouch (☎ 01243 774 841) who will organise a convenient date and time.

**St Paul's Eco-group** will consider this month the very interesting, thorough and professional report on the use of different

renewable energy sources for our buildings which we received last week.

**Sunday School** – many thanks to all those who took part in the summer Sunday Schools – look out for the new rota soon.

### **Bible studies in the autumn**

The new study groups after the holidays.

#### **What's new?**

- **New leaders** – are you interested in helping to lead a group?
- Short courses 4 or 5 sessions at most each "term"
- At convenient times of day or evening to suit those taking part
- Common Topics and themes chosen by popular request
- To join in, if you have not done so before, and to find out more details, please contact Ann or Fr Richard (if possible by e-mail).

• **Suggestions for themes** made earlier but not yet used are "faith and social issues" and "The Holy Spirit": more would be welcomed by the clergy.

**Do you want to study some aspect of the Christian Faith** with members of other parishes in a friendly, unpretentious and not too demanding way (no exams)?

Our Diocese runs many weekly and day courses for all who want to deepen faith and understanding. Most start in September and details are now on the Christian Development notice board. Application forms can be obtained from the parish office.

There are still spaces left for the church **family camp at Lodge Hill on 19th & 20th September**. To book your place please email [creswick13@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:creswick13@tiscali.co.uk) or [troys@waitrose.com](mailto:troys@waitrose.com) or contact the Parish Office for an application form.

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** A few members of St Paul's are unable to come to church, and might appreciate receiving Holy Communion at home. If you would be willing to help with this, please contact Fr Richard now.

**Have you been confirmed? Are you thinking about it? Might you enjoy a refresher course?** (There is official provision for those already confirmed who wish to renew their commitment before the Bishop.) Now is the time to consider it, perhaps with someone recently confirmed, and/or your clergy. Benefice Preparation Groups will begin in the autumn for Confirmation in 2010.

**Church Gallery Spring Clean.** Would anyone like to give an hour of their time to spring clean the gallery sometime during the next fortnight. Please contact Persephone if you can help.

**St Wilfrid's Hospice Support Group.** There will be a **Shepherd's Pie Lunch on Tuesday 27th October** from 12 noon to 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets £10.50 including one serving of wine, beer or fruit juice.

A **Thank you card** from James & Mo and family is on the notice board.

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