



# The United Benefice

of Chichester St Paul and Westhampnett St Peter

## ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH



Churchside, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 6FT ☎ 533403

Week of 17th January 2010 – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany Christian Unity Week

8.00 am Holy Eucharist      9.00 am Morning Prayer

**10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST**

*The Revd Ann Waizeneker presides, the Revd Peter Kane is the deacon, and Fr John Richardson preaches.*

**11.30 am "Children and Holy Communion"**

**OPEN MEETING** in church,

**5.00 pm SOX Youth Group** (school years 4-6)

**5.30 pm Evening Prayer**

**6.30 pm ROX Youth Group** (chool years 7+)



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

**Mon 18th 10.00 am CHERUBS** in the Parish Centre. Play and activities for pre-school children with parents/carers.

**Tues 19th 8.00 am Holy Eucharist**

**10.00 am Extended Parish Prayer:** sharing our concerns and reflections in prayer. All are welcome.

**5.30 pm Youth Confirmation Group** in the Parish Centre

**Wed 20th 11.45 am Holy Eucharist**

**12.30 pm Meet'n'Eat** monthly luncheon

**Thu 21st 10.00 am Holy Eucharist** with Mothers' Union

**7.45 pm Senior Confirmation Preparation** Westhampnett Vicarage

**Sat 23rd 12.30 pm Lunchtime Concert – Four Bassoons and a Sombrero** – admission **free** with retiring collection.

**7.30 pm Grand Gala Concert** with 5 Choirs and the Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah - a veritable feast of music in aid of BoS. £10 Adults, £5 Children.

**NEXT SUNDAY 24th January 2010 The Conversion of St Paul**

**8.00 am Holy Eucharist**      9.00 am Morning Prayer

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

**10.00 am PATRONAL FESTIVAL PARISH EUCHARIST** with **Bishop John**

Readings: Jeremiah 1.4 - 10; Acts 9: 1 - 22; Matthew 19: 27 - 30

**5.00 pm SOX Youth Group** (School years 4 - 6)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

**6.30 pm ROX Youth Group** (School years 7 +)

**6.30 pm Christian Unity Week Joint Service at the Cathedral**

## TODAY – 2ND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST

*Junior Church and Crèche in the Parish Centre during the first part of the service*

<b>Introit</b>	<b>40</b>	<i>Arise to greet the Lord of light</i>
<b>Gradual</b>	<b>858</b>	<i>Life for the poor was hard and tough</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>352</b>	<i>Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it</i>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>272</b>	<i>Heaven shall not wait for the poor</i>
<b>Post Communion</b>	<b>282</b>	<i>Hills of the north, rejoice, echoing songs arise</i>

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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 62.1-5**

Today's Gospel tells us of Jesus at a wedding; ancient poems sang of God becoming a bridegroom to his people, and giving them a new name. Listen as Isaiah delights in what the Lord will do.

### Second Reading                **1 Corinthians 12.1-11**

We begin today a series of readings from this letter, in which Paul teaches the Corinthian Christians about the gifts bestowed on us by the Holy Spirit. They are so various that not one of us can say we have no holy gift.

### Gospel Reading                **John 2.1-11**

In the Gospel of John, the miracles of Jesus are signs - of whom he is and therefore what God is like. The first sign is almost unnoticed. At a village wedding among his family and friends Jesus made extravagant quantities of water into the finest wine. The ordinary becomes the extraordinary.

### Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of 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.*

**ROX and SOX, our Youth groups** resume **today**. SOX is from 5.00 – 6.00 pm, and is for young people in school years 4 – 6, and ROX is from 6.30 – 8.00 pm and is for school years 7 – 9. SOX and ROX helpers are needed to sign the list **today** – Jon.

**Recycle your Christmas Cards.** Kathy Manouch is collecting Christmas cards for recycling on behalf of the Polio Society. Please place them in the box by the Mission Table at the west end of the church.

**Next Sunday, 24th January 10 am Patronal Festival Eucharist** with special music. **Bishop John of Chichester will preside and preach** and St Peter's congregation will join with St Paul's for this day.

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**You may already have contributed to the relief work** through the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC). But if you would like to do so, Christian Aid Gift Aid envelopes are available today, and we will process them. If you want to contribute, but haven't the cash or cheque book with you, take an envelope and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

### **Bible Study Groups – Spring 2010.**

Bible studies this term will use the new York Course **"When I Survey: Christ's Cross and Ours"** exploring key themes of Christ's Crucifixion including the place of silence in our noisy world, despair and hope, a suffering world and the challenge of living as disciples when Christianity is no longer mainstream. To join in please let Peter Kane know as soon as possible.

**Sunday School** – if you can help please see Jon or one of the team.

**Jo Hunt goes to Zambia** next week with the Revd Roy and Mrs Norma Walford from Immanuel Church to visit **Liz Hosegood**, our CMS Mission Partner. Ask Jo if you are interested in knowing more, receiving Liz's newsletters, helping with the work in the hospital at Katete, or sending good quality baby clothes or parcels/ pens for the school (Jo can take a *limited* quantity for use by the church and schools.) .

**TODAY** At **6.30pm** the Chichester Cinema (New Park Road) is hosting a **Gala Benefit Film Night**, in aid of the Haslar Visitors Group, the Mayor's Charity. It's a fun film, at a reasonable price (£10 with a glass of wine). Come and bring a friend. Jo Hunt and Ann Wales are regular Haslar Visitors and can tell you more about visiting the Removal Centre and supporting those detained, often for many months at a time,. Tickets from, [www.chichestercinema.org](http://www.chichestercinema.org) or on the door

### **Admission of baptized children to Holy Communion before Confirmation**

- Your PCC recently requested the Bishop's permission for baptized children from about the age of 7 to receive Holy Communion before they are confirmed.
- **After service today** there will be a **meeting at 11.30 am open** to all, and especially families with children under 15, to clarify the meaning, reasons and implications of the policy.
- Such admission will always be at the considered request of both parents and children, and after a proper preparation course for children *and* parents. The PCC will formulate an explicit procedure.
- "Let the children come to Communion" by Canon Stephen Lake is in the "Pastoral" section of the Parish Library.
- The Revd Ann Waizeneker is glad to e-mail her last year's Perspectives article to you on request.
- If you have questions, you are welcome to talk with clergy and PCC members.

### **Parish Freecycle**

**Wanted Freeview set-top digibox** – Fr Richard ☎ 531624

**DVD player** – contact Jon

**On Offer**

**Light wood trolley** with detachable tray top. Donation to BoS. Contact Heather Hyde ☎ 785633

### **BUILDING ON SUCCESS**

We are delighted that

**Planning Permission for our building development has been granted** by the District Council. Thanks to our Architect, Richard Andrews, and to Mike Lawson, Fabric Officer and his team. The next stage is to put the work out to tender, and then follow major grant applications. Meanwhile, all gifts, regular donations by standing order and other ideas for our own fundraising continue to be welcome.

**An auction of promises** will be held in 2010. If you have links with any companies which might sponsor the event, or donate items/ experiences, please contact Alison Firth, Jo Hunt or Rebecca Crawshaw as soon as possible (See insert for further information).

**St Paul's Notelets** are on sale in the Parish Centre, 30p each or 5 for £1.25

**Your PCC** last year took the important decision to endorse the Eco-Group's proposals to move on with our consultants with plans to use **renewable energy sources** for our buildings (solar PV cells on the south church roof and wood pellet burning boiler, which is carbon neutral).

### Help The Aged Stock Appeal.

Our **Building on Success** sister charity is in need of stock to sell in their Crane Street shop. Do you have clothes, textiles, bric-a-brac or books that you no longer wear, use or need? Goods can be given to Kathy Manouch or taken to the Crane Street shop.

**Services at St Peter's, Westhampnett**  
**– 8.0 am Holy Eucharist** 1st & 3rd Sundays, **9.45 am Parish Eucharist** each Sunday *either all together or with Junior Church*, **9 am Morning Prayer** on Wednesdays.

**Church buildings** – if you discover a building defect, fittings or fabric, please report it by leaving a note on Persephone's desk (or phoning the Office), so that we can deal with it quickly.

### This is the

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

So what will you do about it?







- Pray – but will it be more than words?
- Visit another church in town, and discover what goes on there
- Find out more about Christians of another world culture
- Meet and pray with someone you know from another congregation in the town
- Join in and support one of the local projects in which Christians co-operate – Christian Aid Week and lunches, Youth Work and the Noise, New Frontiers at the Theatre, Stonepillow – St Joseph's, the Glassworks, Young Asylum Seekers, Sands drugs project, Hospital and College Chaplaincies, St Olav's Book Shop, Recycling – Transition Chichester
- Make waves with a new idea for serving the city in the name of Christ
- Attend one of this week's events

**1) Wednesday January 20th** 1.30pm at Christ Church: **A time for reflection** Witness through Sharing Stories Awareness ...Suffering....Hospitality....

**2) Sunday, January 24th** 6.30 pm at the Cathedral **"You are witnesses"** – Preacher: the Revd Canon David Parker

**Lydia Fellowship Sussex** invite all ladies to spend time in the Lord's Presence at **Chichester Baptist Church** on **Wednesday 20th January** from **10.00am to 1.00pm** followed by a packed lunch (drinks provided).

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