



The United Benefice

of Chichester St Paul and Westhampnett St Peter

ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH

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An Eco-congregation Church and Fair Trade Parish



Week of 18th April 2010 – Third Sunday of Easter

8.00 am Holy Eucharist 9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The PARISH EUCHARIST *all together*

*Fr Paul Collins presides, assisted by the Revd Peter Kane,
the Revd Ann Waizeneker and Jon Robinson.*

5.00 pm SOX Youth Group (school years 4–6)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

6.30 pm ROX Youth Group (school years 7+)



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

Mon 19th 10.00 am **CHERUBS** in the Parish Centre. Play and activities for pre-school children with parents/carers.

Tues 20th 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 Preparation** in the Parish Centre.

7.30 pm **THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

Wed 21st 11.45 am **Holy Eucharist** with Ministry of Healing

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

7.45 pm **Senior Confirmation Preparation** the Rectory, Tower Close

Thu 22nd 10.00 am **Holy Eucharist**

Fri 23rd **Feast of St George, Patron Saint of England**

Sat 24th 6 pm to 9 pm **FIESTA TIME** at St Paul's: **Family Salsa Evening**

NEXT SUNDAY 25th April 2010 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

8.00 am Holy Eucharist *at St Paul's & St Michael's* 9.00 am Morning Prayer

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

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings: Acts 9.36-43; Revelation 7.9-17; John 10.22-30

5.00 pm SOX Youth Group (school years 4–6)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

6.30 pm JOINT EVENING WORSHIP *here at St Paul's with Christ Church*

6.30 pm ROX Youth Group (school years 7+)

Christian Aid Week 9th - 15th May. House to house collectors are still **urgently** needed: please contact Jo Hunt ☎ 531624 now.

TODAY – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST All Together *(with Crèche as usual)*

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| Introit | 676 | <i>This is the day the Lord has made</i> |
| Gradual | 338 | <i>Jesus and Andrew, Peter and John</i> |
| Offertory | 435 | <i>Low in the grave he lay, Jesus, my Saviour</i> |
| Communion | 532 | <i>Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus</i> |
| Post Communion | 680 | <i>This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow</i> |

Collect of the Day

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and 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 **Acts 9.1 - 6**

Saul, whom we know as Paul, was one of the strongest opponents of the apostles' teaching. In what he came to describe as a sudden and abnormal birth, a life-changing encounter with the risen Christ transformed him into a great apostle and missionary.

Second Reading **Revelation 5. 11 - end**

Week by week we hear John's mystical visions of the glories of heaven. As he perceives it, everything God has ever created comes together to proclaim the glory of the Lord.

Gospel Reading **John 21. 1 - 19**

Jesus, in his risen body, appeared many times to many people. Here, he joins some of his disciples for breakfast on the shore of the lake where it all began. Peter is challenged about his commitment to a life of love and service.

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Crèche: toys, games and activities stored in drawers in the youth area for your use.

After the Service TODAY:

Refreshments *in the Parish Centre*

Ministry of Healing *(prayer, laying on of hands, anointing) in the Lady Chapel.*

Lent Boxes and Envelopes: please return them now.

Bible Reading Fellowship notes for the period May to August are available from Barbara Scott (☎ 780105) **now** and next Sunday.

Sale of bedding plants by Andrew Creswick, to whom congratulations on being selected to join the West Sussex contingent for the 2011 World Scout Jamboree in Sweden. (More plants on Sunday 2nd May after the service.)

Visit our website regularly (address on page 1): thanks to Kim Wilson for help with this.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting
7.30pm this Tuesday 20th April**

Church-wardens and PCC members will be elected, reports and accounts received, and general questions on church life may be asked and discussed.

The PCC Report and accounts are published on the board in the Parish Centre and the lobby. To receive an electronic copy to read before the meeting, please request one by e-mail from the office today, or, for a hard copy, leave a note asking Persephone for a copy and collect it tomorrow.

Team Leaders: please make sure your report has reached Persephone.

Parish Finances and Regular giving

If you read our Parish Accounts, you will see that our regular parish "housekeeping" income needs a boost to make sure we don't run at a loss. *(This is quite separate from our major fund-raising for the building development – BoS.)* Costs are already minimised, and income from the Parish Centre continues to increase.

But regular planned contributions from us all are the bread and butter. We shall soon be writing to thank those of you who contribute regularly, and to ask if you could manage a little more. Only £1 a week increase on average (a couple of stamps or a newspaper) from each of us would turn the shortfall into a surplus. We shall also be writing to newer Electoral Roll members and worshippers who are not yet in the habit of planned regular contributions to encourage you to join in.

Fiesta time at St Paul's – enjoy the fun (Salsa dancing) and flavours (S. American food) of fiesta **this Saturday 24th April** 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

Adults £10, children £5, family £25.

BUILDING ON SUCCESS

"Country and Northern" on Saturday 1st May at 7 pm: light entertainment for the family in words and music with Mike Stone, Alan Green and other stars of stage, screen and public bar. Tickets on the door or from the parish office.

There will be an **Auction of Promises** on **Saturday, June 12th**. If you have links with companies which might sponsor or donate items/experiences, please contact Alison Firth, Jo Hunt or Rebecca Crawshaw as soon as possible.

Parish Retreats 2010 16th-18th July and 3rd-5th September.

No television, no telephones, no cooking, no cleaning, no washing up! Sound good? Time to read, time to sleep, time to think, time to pray! Sound good? If this appeals to you why not join us for a weekend at Alton Abbey. The weekend runs from 4pm Friday to after dinner on Sunday (approximately 2pm). The cost is £66 per person and for non-drivers transport can be arranged. If you are interested please sign the list at the back of the church or speak to Sarah Manouch (☎ 537828).

Parish Freecycle

Wanted: Flat Screen Monitor/TV for Church use – Old is OK – Contact Jon or the Parish Office ☎ 533403.

Have you unwanted furniture and/or "white goods" ?

Try our parish freecycle first: notify the office of items wanted or for disposal (as above). Next try Chichester Freecycle on-line. If that fails, ring Stonepillow (☎ 537934), who run a store and workshop for refurbishing, renovating, and selling or using old furniture and electrical items.

Eco Tip – Did you know you can now put aluminium foil in your burgundy recycling bin?

The Stonepillow projects (detox centre, day and night shelters, young asylum seekers, prayer group) need regular donations, preferably gift-aided, and volunteers. Details from Peter Kane.

School Vouchers (Sainsburys and Tesco). Please accept them for your school or bring to the Parish Office for our Youth Work and Central School.

The combined Choral Evensong at Westhampnett has been postponed. A new date will be arranged soon.

Westhampnett MAY FAIR is at **2.00 pm on Saturday, 8th May** in the Westhampnett Nursing Home grounds: come and enjoy a traditional family fair, with tombolas, books, toys, bric-a-brac, cream teas, children's activities, music, ring-side events, and a beer tent. More details on St Peter's new Website www.stpeterswesthampnett.org

Boat Restoration Look out for the latest ROX project - Coming Soon!

The Quiet Garden by the Water – *"Why do you stand gazing up into heaven?"* by Rev John Dane at The Dyke House, Bosham Hoe on Ascension Day, **Thursday 13th May**. Bookings and details from Deidre Pitt (☎ 572745) or Barbara Knight (☎ 572549).

"Healing, Health and Wholeness" at All Saints Church and Barn, Church Hill, Patcham, Brighton, 10 am to 3 pm on **Saturday 22nd May** with Dr Gareth Tuckwell, Chief Executive of Burswood.

"The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: which side is God on" with the Revd Tony Higton at St John's, Southbourne, at **7.30 pm on Monday, May 24th**: details from the Revd Richard Thomas ☎+430613 or Michael Nader ☎ 372188.

The Rotary Club of Chichester's annual **Mayfest** is on **Saturday 29th May** 11.00am - 4.30pm on Prebendal School Playing Field, with music, dancing, children's funfair, craft stalls, sideshows, food, drink and duck races on the River Lavant. Further information from Brian Bird (☎ 536468) Howard Bottomley (☎ 776810) or www.mayfest.info.

"The Life of Christ" 3 act open air play 10 am – 4 pm, **June 29th – 4th July at Wintershall, near Guildford**. Tickets: adults £15; children £7.50, but Ruth Hare is organising a trip with inclusive travel on July 3rd (see poster).

Education at the Cathedral

(details on the notice board under the gallery by the west door)

Thursday 29th April at 6.30pm in George Bell House *"Asylum in Britain and the Christian Conscience"* a **George Bell Institute Seminar** led by the Rev Dr Anthony Harvey.

The Chancellor's Lecture Series Canon Dr Anthony Cane lectures on **"Human nature, hope and how to live now"** at **6.30pm on Tuesdays 20th and 27th April and 4th and 11th May** in the Cathedral Nave.

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