




# The United Benefice

of Chichester St Paul and Westhampnett St Peter

## ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH

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THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

### Week of 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 The PARISH EUCHARIST** *The Revd Ann Waizeneker presides and Fr Richard preaches.*

**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 JOINT EVENING WORSHIP** with Christ Church



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

**Mon 26th**

**St MARK the EVANGELIST** (*transferred from Sunday*)

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

**6.00 pm Holy Eucharist**

**Tues 27th**

**8.00 am Holy Eucharist**

**5.30 pm Youth Confirmation Preparation** in the Parish Centre.

**7.30 pm Healing Team Meeting** *open to all interested in healing ministry*

**Wed 28th**

**7.30 pm Ladies Group "A Day at the Races"** talk by Mrs Joan Tidy

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

**Thu 29th**

**10.00 am Holy Eucharist**

**Fri 30th**

**11.30 am Holy Eucharist** at *Augusta Court*

**Sat 1st**

**Feast of Saints PHILIP and JAMES, Apostles**

**9.30 am Holy Eucharist**

**7.00 pm "Country and Northern"** – light entertainment for the family

### NEXT SUNDAY 2nd May 2010 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

**8.00 am Holy Eucharist**

9.00 am Morning Prayer

**10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST** Acts 11.1-18; Revelation 21.1-6; John 13.31-35

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

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

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

**Wed 5th May Cathedral EVE OF ELECTION FORUM** with the candidates 7 – 9 pm

**TODAY – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST** *(with Crèche as usual)*

<b>Introit</b>	<b>132</b>	<i>Come ye faithful, raise the strain</i>
<b>Gradual</b>	<b>156</b>	<i>Faithful shepherd, feed me</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>470</b>	<i>Now is eternal life</i>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>649</b>	<i>The King of Love</i>
<b>Post Communion</b>	<b>672</b>	<i>Thine be the glory</i>

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading                      Acts 9.36-43**

After the resurrection, the disciples found themselves filled with the same teaching and healing power of Jesus himself. Peter's gifts were such that, like his Master, he miraculously brought the dead back to life.

**Second Reading                      Revelation 7.9-17**

In John's vision of heaven, God has gathered people from all over the world. They are free of all pain and sorrow, brought into the presence of God through the work of Jesus.

**Gospel Reading                      John 10.22-30**

During Jesus's human lifetime, most people did not perceive him to be the expected Messiah. In this reading, as so often, Jesus points to the things he does as signs of who he is. To those who see, and follow, there is his promise of eternal life.

**Post Communion Prayer**

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***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, and Children's Society Boxes:** please return them to the Parish Office now.

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

**After service next Sunday, 2nd May:**

**Christian Aid week film** – excellent and well worth watching – don't miss it

**Sale of bedding plants by Andrew Creswick**, to whom congratulations on being selected for the West Sussex contingent at the 2011 World Scout Jamboree in Sweden

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

**APCM last Tuesday** Thank you to all who came to our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (well over 70 of us). Stephen Hanvidge was elected to take office as Churchwarden when Priscilla Gerrans completes a full six year term as Churchwarden at the end of May ( we shall express our appreciation then); James Ellis was elected for a second year as Warden. Mike Joyner and Graham Causer retired from the PCC; Caroline Cooper, Rachel Hammond, Andrew Maynard and Margaret Shippam were newly elected.

**Parish Finances and Regular giving** **Sarah Gleeson**, our Treasurer, gave an excellent presentation of the Parish Accounts, showing that our regular "housekeeping" income needs a boost to make sure we don't run at a loss. We hope to repeat this brief presentation soon for the whole congregation.

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 income. 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 few 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.

*(This is quite separate from our major fund-raising for the building development – BoS.)*

**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.

## **YOUTH IN THE FUTURE**

See Jon NOW, or the posters, for more info on the following exciting events over the coming half term:

**"Asbo Jesus" Diocesan May Camp:** Plumpton Racecourse from 28th May - 31st May 2010. Worship, Teaching, Prayer, Social Action, Sports Activities .

**NOISE** – the Chichester Youth and Community project returns for 2010.

## **BUILDING ON SUCCESS**

**"Country and Northern" at 7 pm this Saturday 1st May:** 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.

**Benefice Eucharist for Ascension Day Thursday 13th May at 6.30pm. St Peter's, Westhampnett**, followed by fish and chips: please sign up on St Paul's notice board. The Revd Canon Dr Philip Bourne preaches.

**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).

### Christian Aid Week

A big **thank you** to those who have volunteered to collect. There is still room for more....Please contact Jo Hunt ☎ 531624.

**May Market – Friday 7th May, 10am-3pm** Please bring items for plant stall and tombola to the Parish Office during the week beginning 2nd May.

**Christian Aid Service – 9th May, 6.30pm at St Paul's** Preacher: the Revd George Gibson

**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. Programmes (£1.50 each, numbered for the Prize Draw) are on sale from the Parish Office.

More details on St Peter's new Website [www.stpeterswesthampnett.org](http://www.stpeterswesthampnett.org)

**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.

**Eco Tip** Covering pans as you cook can reduce energy use by up to 90%.

### Parish Freecycle

**On Offer:** 21" old style Wharfedale TV. only 3 yrs old. Hilary Osgood ☎ 787080

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

**"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 Life of Christ"** A 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

*(see notice board by St Paul's 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 27th April and 4th and 11th May**

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