



The United Benefice

of Chichester St Paul and Westhampnett St Peter

ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH

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An Eco-congregation and Fair Trade Parish



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Week of 2nd May 2010 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

This is **PARTNERSHIP SUNDAY**, when we celebrate our friendship with the **Paul Gerhardt Church, Alt Schöneberg, Berlin**

8.00 am Holy Eucharist

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The PARISH EUCHARIST *Fr Richard presides assisted by the Rev Peter Kane and Martin Cooke 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+)



Remain
in
my love

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

Mon 3rd

Bank Holiday - No Cherubs - resume next week

Tues 4th

8.00 am

Holy Eucharist

5.30 pm

Youth Confirmation Preparation *in the Parish Centre.*

6.30 pm

Cathedral Lecture *(Canon Dr Anthony Cane)*

7.30 pm

PCC meets *in the Parish Centre*

Wed 5th

3.45 pm

Holy Eucharist *at Marriott House*

7.00 – 9.00 pm

EVE of ELECTION FORUM *in the Cathedral*

Thu 6th

GENERAL ELECTION DAY - use your vote!

10.00 am

Holy Eucharist

7.45 pm

Senior Confirmation Preparation *the Rectory, Tower Close*

Fri 7th

10.00 am

Christian Aid May Market – Assembly Rooms

Sat 8th

2.00 pm

Westhampnett May Fair (entry by numbered programme £1.50 from the Parish Office)

7.00 pm

Concert by The Southdowns Concert Band (details p 4)

NEXT SUNDAY 9th May 2010 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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: Acts 16.9-15; Revelation 21.10, 22 - 22.5; John 14.23-29 or John 5.1-9

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 Aid Week Service here: Preacher – **The Revd George Gibson**

TODAY – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00 am PARISH EUCHARIST *(with Junior Church and Crèche as usual)*

Introit	96	<i>Christ is alive! Let Christians sing</i>
Gradual	517	<i>O Love, that wilt not let me go</i>
Offertory	35	<i>A new commandment I give unto you</i>
Communion	468	<i>New songs of celebration render</i>
Post Communion	652	<i>The Lord is ris'n indeed</i>

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading **Acts 11.1-18**

These Acts are those of the risen Christ in and with his church. The Jerusalem church here calls on Peter to justify his eating and preaching among Gentiles, and they realise that the new life in Christ is not restricted to a privileged few.

Second Reading **Revelation 21.1-6**

Our readings are giving us some of John's visions of the glory of the risen and ascended Christ, worshipped in heaven by all the faithful. At the end of this age, John believes, there will be a new heaven and a renewed world, and God's presence will fill them both.

Gospel Reading **John 13.31-35**

The Gospel takes us back to the night of the Last Supper. Judas has gone out to betray Jesus, who now speaks of his own destiny not as failure but as glory, fulfilling to the uttermost God's way of love.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; 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:

After the Parish Eucharist today – 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 chosen for the West Sussex group at the 2011 World Scout Jamboree in Sweden.

Refreshments *in the Parish Centre*

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

Traidcraft stall today. *New this month – Fudge and Peanut Butter*

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

Christian Aid Week

May Market, Assembly Rooms – 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 NOW.

More details on St Peter's new Website www.stpeterswesthampnett.org

The Next Ministry Planning Meeting Wednesday, 12th May at 12.45 pm

Benefice Ascension Day Eucharist Thursday May 13th 6.30p.m at St Peter's, followed by fish and chips from LA Fish (the award winning fish and chip shop in the Hornet!), at the bargain price **of £4.50** for a medium cod and chips, salt, vinegar, paper napkins and wooden fork! To order, please sign the list give your name **and money** to Persephone at St Paul's parish office **by next Monday 10th May**: the organiser needs to have your cash in advance. Please bring your own drinks, blanket to sit on if it's fine or umbrella if it's wet!

We need another Holy Duster to clean the glass on the inner churchdoors. If anyone would like this opportunity to give approximately half an hour once a fortnight please see Persephone.

BUILDING ON SUCCESS

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.

Ford Materials Recycling Facility – visit the facility to find out what happens to all your recycling and how you can do more. Dates available are Tuesday 14th September (afternoon) and Thursday 23rd September (morning). Numbers are limited – please sign the list at the back of the church.

Eco Tip Aerosol cans can now be put into the burgundy recycling bins.

Parish Freecycle

On Offer: 24/26" Panasonic analogue TV with Freeview box. Margaret Phillips. ☎ 775832

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

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).

Saturday 8th May at 7.00pm
The Southdowns Concert Band in concert at St Paul's, featuring the Prebendal School Concert Band. Tickets £5 (children free) from Ackerman Music in West Street.

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.

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.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Churchwardens: Stephen Hanvidge was elected to succeed Priscilla Gerrans and James Ellis was re-elected.

PCC Caroline Cooper, Rachel Hammond, Andrew Maynard and Margaret Shippam were elected. Mike Joyner's and Graham Causer's term of office ended this year.

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).

"The Life of Christ" an outdoor play near Guildford from 29th June – 4th July: excellent for all ages from 12 upwards. See details on posters: a transport-included trip is planned.

This Wednesday, 5th May 7 – 9 pm Eve of Election Forum

see and hear your local candidates live at the Cathedral (admission free)

Questions are to be e-mailed *in advance* to deansec@chichestercathedral.org.uk or written in hard copy, and addressed to the Dean's Secretary at the Royal Chantry, the Cloisters, in the Cathedral Close

South Street late at night is very different from South Street in daytime. Young people – and others – are at risk in many ways. Have you ever walked by on the other side, thinking "Something must be done"? Well, something *is* being done in towns and cities round the country, and your church leaders in Chichester are working on it now. **Street Pastors and Street Angels** are "Christians with a concern for society" - in particular for young people who feel themselves to be excluded and marginalised - and who are willing to engage people where they are, in terms of their thinking (i.e. their perspective of life) and location (i.e. where they hang out - be it on the streets, in the pubs and clubs or at parties etc). To know more now visit www.streetangels.org.uk watch this space or visit www.streetpastors.org.uk.

"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.

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