

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



Week of 21st August 2011 – THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The PARISH EUCHARIST

*The Rev Peter Kane presides
assisted by Fr John Richardson
and Prof Jimmy Dunn preaches*

5.30 pm Evening Prayer



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

Mon 22nd

CHERUBS (St Paul's Stay and Play) will not take place during the school holidays, but starts again on Monday 12th September.

Tue 23rd 8.00 am Holy Eucharist

Wed 24th Feast of St Bartholomew the Apostle

Services to be held in St Bartholomew's Chapel, Cawley Mews are:

10.00 am Holy Eucharist

6.00 pm Choral Evensong

Thu 25th 10.00 am Holy Eucharist

NEXT SUNDAY 28th August 2011 – Trinity 10 – Proper 17

8.00 am Holy Eucharist

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The Parish Eucharist

Readings: Exodus 3.1-15; Romans 12.9-21; Matthew 16.21-28

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

Parish Office opening hours during school holidays until Friday 2nd September are **10 am - 12 noon**. Normal hours (9.15 am - 12.30 pm) resume on 5th September.

Chichester to Canterbury for Stonepillow and Building on Success. Will you sponsor Chris Merrien, Jane Martin and others who are walking between the two cathedrals at the end of August? You can donate by cash or cheque payable to "St Paul's PCC" or on line at www.justgiving.com/Stonepillow225kSTPAULSchallenge

TODAY – THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00 am – THE PARISH EUCHARIST

with Holiday Activity for youngsters (4–13+) and Crèche for younger children

Introit	97	<i>Christ is made the sure foundation</i>
Gradual	88	<i>Brother, sister, let me serve you</i>
Offertory	689	<i>Thy hand, O God, has guided</i>
Communion	246	<i>Great God, your love has called us here</i>
Post Communion	636	<i>The Church's one foundation</i>

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 **Exodus 1.8 - 2.10**

Jacob's sons and their families had escaped famine, thanks to the protection of Joseph in Egypt. Their settlement however turned into miserable slavery. We begin today a series of readings about the great salvation, the Exodus, and the new covenant community formed under Moses.

Second Reading **Romans 12.1-8**

To serve God is both a duty and a joy, says Paul. Joy, because we are a transformed people, called to share in God's purposes. Duty, because each one of us has some vocation, to use rightly the gift we have: the whole body, church and world, needs the service of every member.

Gospel Reading **Matthew 16.13-20**

Jesus questions his disciples about popular opinion - who is the Son of Man? And what do the disciples think of Jesus? The eyes of Simon are opened to the revelation that Jesus is Messiah, and he is given the new name of Peter, with a new commission, to be steady as a rock for Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

After the Service today:

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

SUMMER SUNSHINE on the BEACH!

BoS Fundraising – Beach Hut Hire. If you would like to benefit from the use of a Beach Hut at West Wittering, and at the same time contribute to BoS, Jill Armstrong is offering daily (£20) or weekly (£75) hire of her beach hut. Contact her for more details ☎ 785371

St Paul's annual ECO BBQ on Sunday 4th September: games start at noon, lunch at 1 pm. Bountiful Burgers, Sizzling Sausages, Sumptuous Salads, Dazzling Desserts, Delightful Drinks. Tickets (Adults £5, children £2.50, families £13) are on sale in the office and the Church. Proceeds are for our mission partners.

Parish Retreats at Alton Abbey. There is another this September from **Friday 9th to Sunday 11th.** To book, add your name now to the list at the back of church. To know more about it before making up your mind, contact Sarah Manouch on ☎ 537828, who could also put you in touch with others to talk about the experience. It is a wonderful time to be in peace and quiet, and to leave the usual stresses and strains of daily life for a while. The cost is £68, full board.

Thursday, 29th September
the Feast of **St Michael and All Angels:**
10.00 am Holy Eucharist
at St Michael's, Summersdale

Saturday 10th September The Annual **Sussex Historic Churches Ride and Stride** takes place. Peter Whitfield is looking for volunteers to man the church from 9-6 (please put your name on the rota at the back of the church). Also, if anyone wants sponsor forms contact Peter Whitfield on ☎ 783581

Autumn Fellowship of the 3rd Age (F3A) – the first afternoon session will be held at 31 Wellington Road on **Friday 2nd September at 2.45pm** (☎ 786501). All over 60's are welcome

Parish Links

The Sierra Leone Link The next big step is for a group led by Jo and Fr Richard to visit Christ Church and School in Freetown from October 20th for about ten days, to meet people and begin friendships. Travel and accommodation will cost about £1200. If you might like to come, for all or some of the time, or to support the link by subsidising someone else's travel, contact Jo on ☎ 531624.

Berlin – The Paul Gerhardt Church in Alt Schöneberg link with St Paul's. **Jonathan Harry** has offered to co-ordinate and encourage visits to and from Berlin. Their Choir *and Orchestra* are coming to St Paul's next May, and others may visit us later this year when Fr Richard retires. If you or your family are interested in a short break in a very exciting city, contact Jonathan on ☎ 533980. New participants in the link are welcome, because many who founded the partnership nearly three decades ago are now getting on or have died. There is new life in Alt Schöneberg: the Paul Gerhardt Church now has a family service, and younger members.

Volunteers still needed for ...
...We are looking for a reasonably skilled IT volunteer.

There are three current tasks

- to help if something goes wrong in the Office, especially with our internal network
- to help improve the office installation
- to install the permanent flat screen display in the church porch.

Please contact Persephone in the Parish Office on ☎533403 if you could help.

...Altar Servers (any age) needed for the Parish Eucharist: contact Marion Hill ☎ 789858 or Sarah Manouch ☎537828

...**Sacristans** to take a turn in preparing for the Sunday service: about 30 minutes before, and 15 minutes after: to join in, contact Priscilla Gerrans on ☎ 539131.

**Two open events on
Saturday 17th September**

The Church in the Public Square - a free Conference, 10 am - 4 pm at Christ Church, to explore the role of the Church in a Secular Age. Speakers include Dean Nicholas Frayling, Nick Taunt, Head of Bishop Luffa, and Ann Waizeneker.

Parenting – come and see what a Parenting course is like, at Easebourne Priory, 10.00am to 3.30pm, with a crèche. See notice board by the sound console for details or contact Heather Hyde, ☎ 785633 as soon as possible.

Mike Stone's two Books of *Parables Lite*, quoted by Martin in a recent sermon, are just back in print, and copies are now in the **Church Library**

RNLI Events in October

Local historian Alan Green is giving a talk on **Lord Egremont's Worst Investment**, the history of the Chichester canal, on **Friday 7th October at 7.00pm** at Chichester Yacht Club.

The **St. Richard's Singers** will be giving a concert on **Saturday 15th October at 7.30pm**, in St. Paul's Church.

Sale of **Christmas Cards and Souvenirs** at Bosham Sailing Club **10am to 12noon on 22nd October.**

"Following Jesus" is a Chichester Diocesan course for Christians who want to grow in faith and discipleship. It takes place over 26 sessions, each session lasting 1-1½ hours. If you want to learn more about Christianity and its origins, with the opportunity to reflect on your own faith and how it applies to daily life, then this is for you! The cost (to cover all materials) is just under £2 per session and a fuller explanation/enrolment forms are available from the back of church or the church office. The course will be held at **St Paul's**, beginning on **Wednesday 21st September at 7.30pm**. Rev Ann will be leading the course, so do speak to her if you would like to know more or need help with the cost.

Developing Discipleship A variety of short courses are taking place at different venues across the Diocese. In particular, David Cooke will be leading a course entitled 'On Suffering: From Job and the New Testament' on the afternoons of **2nd and 9th November** here at St Paul's. Please see posters on the notice board at the back of church for further details about this and other courses.

Bible Studies If you would like to join a Bible study group, please let Peter Kane know. This autumn we are studying Paul's Letter to the Philipians.

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