

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 4th September 2011 – THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The PARISH EUCHARIST

*The Rev John Dane presides and preaches,
assisted by the Rev Sue Burnett*

12 Noon St Paul's Annual ECO BBQ

5.30 pm Evening Prayer



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

Mon 5th **CHERUBS (St Paul's Stay and Play) will not take place during the school holidays, but starts again next Monday 12th September.**

Tue 6th **8.00 am Holy Eucharist**
7.30 pm PCC

Wed 7th **10.00 am Mothers' Union in the Parish centre**

Thu 8th **10.00 am Holy Eucharist**

NEXT SUNDAY 11th September 2011 – Trinity 12 – Proper 19

8.00 am Holy Eucharist

8.20 am Breakfast Taizé Eucharist at St Paul's

9.00 am Morning Prayer

10.00 am The Parish Eucharist

Readings: Genesis 50.15-21; Romans 14.1-12; Matthew 18.21-35

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

Chichester to Canterbury Walk. Congratulations to our Canterbury pilgrims who walked 140 miles and have raised over £1500 to date. It's not too late to sponsor by cash or cheque payable to "St Paul's PCC" or online at www.justgiving.com/Stonepillow225kSTPAULSchallenge. Thanks to the team – Jane Martin, Chris Merrien, Jo and Richard Hunt, Peter Shaw, and Sam Martin. Thanks too to their drivers – Rachel Brown, John Priestman, Garry Long, Jimmy Dunn, Caroline Adams and John Bartholomew.

TODAY – THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.00 am – THE PARISH EUCHARIST

with Sunday School for youngsters (4–13+) and Crèche for younger children

Introit	131	<i>Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem</i>
Gradual	180	<i>Forgive our sins as we forgive</i>
Offertory	429	<i>Love is his word, love is his way</i>
Communion	674	<i>This is my body, broken for you</i>
Post Communion	168	<i>Father, who in Jesus found us</i>

Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 **Ezekiel 33.7-11**

Those who see life through God's eyes are bound to confront wrongdoing and call people to repentance and reconciliation. Ezekiel knows he has this responsibility, and does just what we shall later hear Jesus telling us to do.

Second Reading **Romans 13.8-14**

Love sums up all commandments and rules of life. As Paul had written to other churches earlier, he now tells the Roman Christians that in this new age, the years of Our Lord, there can be no time wasted on anything that does not feed our spiritual growth.

Gospel Reading **Matthew 18.15-20**

Jesus says that we must not be silent in the face of wrong-doing - but try not to make a big fuss about it; seek reconciliation gently. And when Christians are the catalyst for agreement and unity, there Jesus is present in his kingdom.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

After the Service today:

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

Sunday School – the new rota is being put together. If you would like to join the team or have already offered please see the sign up sheet at the back of the church. A big thank you to all those who helped over the summer

Youth Groups – we are planning to restart **SOX** and **ROX** in September but we can only do so if the helper's rota is full. Please sign up in the Parish Centre or see Jon.

St Paul's annual ECO BBQ is TODAY: 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). Proceeds are for our mission partners.

Autumn Fellowship of the 3rd Age (F3A) – the first evening session will be held at 31 Wellington Road on **Friday 16th September** at **7.00pm** (☎786501). All over 60's are welcome.

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

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 Philippians.

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.

On **Wednesday 7th September** the **Mothers' Union** are holding a meeting in the Parish Centre. Nominate someone, living or dead, fact or fiction, male or female, for a **Motherhood Award**. All are welcome.

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

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.

Freecycle on offer

Black ash effect computer table. Contact Sarah Manouch ☎ 537828

Confirmation and First Communion – are you interested in exploring being baptised and/or confirmed or, in the case of any of our young people, being admitted to Communion before confirmation? Preparation will be starting in the autumn – please speak to a member of the clergy (Ann or Peter) if you are interested.

Bishop Luffa Applications – if you are intending to apply for your child to attend Bishop Luffa School please read the Admissions Policy which is on the school's website (www.bishopluffa.org.uk) as your clergy will be expected to complete a Church Support Form. A meeting of St Paul's parents agreed that the only fair

and accurate way for the clergy to do this is from the information in our attendance register. So if you intend to make an application at any foreseeable time, please make sure that you have sent a note to Revd Ann to say so and are using the church register. There will be a short meeting after the service on **Sunday 18th September** to answer any questions you may have about the clergy role in the application process. Useful in particular for those with children entering year 4 or above this September.

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.

Puddings, Pies, Poultry, Pastry, Pasta – would someone, male or female, join our team of four cooks to produce a main course or pudding, once, twice or even three times a year?

- All costs met by Meet'nEat
- vegetables prepared by another team member
- cooking utensils for 25-30 people provided if required
- your menu choice

Contact Janet ☎ 788525

Sunday Coffee Rota – a volunteer is urgently needed to organise the rota. This just involves writing and distributing a rota every few months, plus occasional after church duties. If you can help please contact Persephone or Peter Kane.

Release International (the voice of persecuted Christians) is holding a **Curry Night** at St Paul's on **Saturday 24th September** from 6.30pm to 9.30pm, with a special focus on the persecution of Christians in Pakistan. The speaker will be Imtiaz Ashraf and friends. Donations are welcome for food and expenses (suggested £4 per person). The meeting is arranged by Immanuel Church and you are requested to phone 07843911972 if you would like to attend.

Swap Shop Transition Chichester are holding another 'swap shop' at St Paul's on **Saturday 17th September from 11am to 2pm**. It provides an opportunity to exchange useful items which you no longer want for others which you *do* want.

God@Work The next God@Work meeting for those who work in and around the city centre is on **Monday 12th September, 1.10-1.50pm** in the eastern arm of the cathedral cloisters. The speaker is Hilary Price, sales analyst.

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