

PARISH EUCHARIST

Every Sunday at 10.00 am

This is our main weekly celebration and includes worship for young people. Everyone is welcome, families, including babes in arms, the young, the elderly, the married, the single—no-one should feel unwanted or uncomfortable. After the Eucharist there is a cup of coffee and a time to get to know one another.

Children are welcome and special at every Eucharist, and are encouraged to take part in our activities for young people. On the first Sunday of each month our whole community worships together with a more informal feel to our music, readings and activities. This is an especially good time to come and join in.

EUCHARIST TIMES DURING THE INTERREGNUM

Sunday 10.00 am

Tuesday 7.00 pm

Wednesday 10.00 am (followed by coffee)

Friday 9.30 am

(See also weekly pewsheets)



Who's Who at St. Wilfrid's

Priest in Charge	<i>To be appointed</i>	
Hon. Asst. Priests	Fr. Maurice Clarke SSC	775646
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MARCH 2009 NEWSLETTER

A Happy Lent

When we get up in the morning and look in the mirror it can be a distressing moment! If we are honest we are not always satisfied with the way we look. Nor are we often happy with what lies behind our appearance.

That is why so many 'self-help' books are successfully published. They try to address such matters as our business sense, our finances, our skills or lack of them in personal relationships, our self-image and indeed our inner peace. Such books may be worthy efforts and can in fact help to a degree, yet our need goes still deeper. For in the end it is beyond our own capability to provide for ourselves all that we might need in life. The response or answer to our need comes rather as a gift, a gift of love. That is why we often welcome with real gratitude a gift of genuine love.

But even human love is not perfect and needs healing. This comes solely and uniquely from the one person who has conquered death, namely Jesus Christ.

When, like St Paul, we meet him, then truly we are changed. Then like millions of others through the ages we can say, in the words of Paul, "It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me".

On Ash Wednesday the season of Lent begins. It is a season which is sometimes seen as a time of self-denial but this is just one aspect of it. Above all, it is an annual opportunity to know Jesus Christ more deeply, to centre oneself more on Christ and to find a life which expresses itself



in love and generosity towards others. These personal spiritual growth points contribute to a re-born life in Christ.

This is our Lenten challenge which reaches its climax in Holy Week and Easter. Then, rejoicing in the perfect love of Christ, shown in his death and resurrection, we can look at ourselves in the mirror afresh knowing that we are not alone, inadequate or lost but held close in the warmth of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

Fr. Maurice Clarke

REMINDER

ST WILFRID'S CHURCH

SPRING FAYRE

Saturday 14th March
2.00pm

Raffle Spring Crafts
Easter Tombola Cakes Refreshments

Admission 20p



Breakfast Taizé

8.20 am (alternate Sundays)
St Wilfrid's & St Paul's, Chichester

A short, clear & prayerful celebration of the Eucharist,
followed by a bacon buttie (veggie option too).

Perfect for families

1st March - St Wilfrid's

15th March - St Paul's

29th March - St Wilfrid's

19th April - St Paul's

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 6th March 2009

Service - 2pm

The Baptist Church, Sherborne Road

Soup lunch served from 1pm.

All Welcome

Chichester Cathedral Occasional Lecture 'The Rebirth of the Jewish Prophetic Tradition'

given by

Professor Marc Ellis

*Director of the Centre for Jewish Studies,
Baylor University, Texas, USA*

Monday 9th March 2009 at 6.30pm

The lecture will take place in the Nave of the Cathedral following Choral Evensong at 5.30pm.

Admission is free - a retiring collection is taken towards expenses.
All are welcome.

For further information please contact 01243 782595 or visit the Cathedral website at www.chichestercathedral.org.uk



Thanks to everyone who made the launch of the Greening Campaign so much fun! We've now counted all the challenge cards displayed - by acting together we've saved over **45 tonnes of CO²**! Imagine 45 hot air balloons floating over Parklands - that's how much more CO² would be up there if it wasn't for you! We're now planning what to do next so if you've got ideas or can help in any way, please contact Joan on 01243 782751 or email Paula@parklands-chichester.org. Together we can make Parklands an even greener place to live, work and learn in!