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Sunday 15th June 2025 Trinity Sunday

Sunday	15th	09:30	Parish Eucharist
<small>Trinity Sunday</small>			
Monday	16th	09:00	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	17th	18:00	Evening Prayer
Wednesday	18th	18:00	Evening Prayer
Thursday	19th	09:00	Morning Prayer
		10:00	Holy Communion
Friday	20th		No public worship today
Saturday	21st		No public worship today
Sunday	22nd	09:30	Parish Eucharist
		10:00-16:00	Ecumenical Quiet Day

Hymns

286 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty

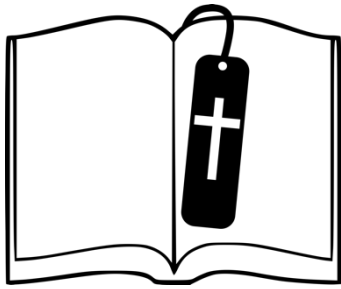
195 From heav'n you came

511 O Lord my God

238 Go forth and tell

The Collect (Opening Prayer): Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the

eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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. **Amen.**



First Reading: Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31 Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴ 'To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

Response to Psalm 8: 'How exalted is your name in all the world!'

Second Reading: Romans 5.1-5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Gospel Reading: John 16.12-15 ¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.



Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Karen Cox, Sheila King, Dawn Spurway Pearson, Lucia, Pam Browning, Gary Edgington, Ian Turner, Michael King, Emily Maylon, Jim, Richard, Jenny and James.

Anniversary of death: 15th - Norah Moth, 19th - Dick Martin, Norman Gore, 20th - Kathleen Goldring, Stephen Parkin, Thomas Pay, David Clement

We pray We pray for peace in all areas of conflict around the World, and we pray for peace in the Holy Land. For all those seeking safety and refuge in our Country.

For urgent prayer, contact Sue Davis (01243 262915) to start the Prayer Chain.

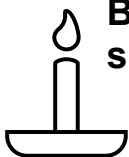
Post Communion Prayer: Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Licensing date for Julian McAllen We are delighted to confirm that Julian McAllen will be licensed on Tuesday 2nd September @ 7.30pm. After meeting with the Churchwardens from St Richards, we are pleased to confirm that the service will be at St Thomas à Becket Church, more details nearer the time. Please continue to keep Julian, Monika, Joshua and Elizabeth in your prayers.



An Ecumenical Quiet Day, organised by Bognor Regis Methodist Church, and led by Rev Tongayi Matamba, will be held at St Thomas à Becket Church on Saturday 21st June, 10am-4pm. "Be still and know that I am God", Psalm 46 v10. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day, but you should take a packed lunch. Donations towards the cost welcomed, with £10 as a suggested amount. To book a place please contact Anita on 01243 826425 or anita.c.hayward@btinternet.com



Bishop Martin introduces *Inspiring Faith* - a new, on-line resource for sharing your faith. In this 950th anniversary year, the Year of Faith, we are celebrating Pentecost by the release of *Inspiring Faith*, a new, on-line resource for sharing your faith. Follow this link <https://inspiring-faith.com> This is the first in a series of four. It introduces the elements of Christian life: the Bible, prayer, worship in church, and who Christians are. The series will then continue to introduce what Christians believe about God the Father, and creation; God the Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour; and God the Holy Spirit who sustains Christian living. Please pray for the people of all ages and circumstances who will use this new resource: Come, Holy Spirit, and kindle in us the fire of your love.



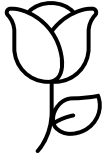
Celebrating the Year of Faith 2025 Don't forget to take a look at all the exciting events taking this place in celebration of 950th anniversary of the formation of the Diocese of Chichester and Chichester Cathedral. This includes **TrinityFest on the Green**, a free community celebration offering something for everyone and coincides with Father's Day! See the website where you can find all the relevant information you will need <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/Chichester950>



Family Camp! Calling families across the diocese! Join Bishop Will and families across the diocese for our first ever diocesan Family Camp from 11–13 July 2025 at Stedham Campsite in the stunning South Downs! A weekend of fun, worship, and quality time for families, especially those with primary school-aged children. Just £25 per person (under 5s free) with bursaries available. For more information visit: www.celebratingfaith.co.uk or book now: at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/73484?> Come and be part of something special!



Apologies that our website isn't working at the moment. We are looking into fixing this as well as updating our Churches Near You page. In the meantime, you will find updates on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/StThomasPagham>



A huge THANK YOU to all those who helped to make the **Friends of Pagham Parish Church Flower Festival** such a great success. The church looked beautiful as it was skilfully filled with flowers, not to mention the delicious food on offer. Thank you to David and Sue Smith and Carole and Richard Druce for organising the event, to all the arrangers who created the beautiful displays, to Robin and Mandy Henderson for sourcing the plants from local growers and for organising the plant sale, to all those who assisted with setting up, stewarding, catering, running the raffle and much more. Finally a huge thanks to all who came and supported in any way helping us to raise in excess of £5000.

Please note: there will be no Tuesday @7 this week but we look forward to welcoming you again the following week.



Friends of Pagham Church Raising funds to help maintain this beautiful 13th Century Church Events organised through the year. We would be very pleased to welcome you to join us. For further information contact: Maureen Hatzfeld 01243 268 576



Support for the Food Bank is more important than ever. Urgently needed this week: tinned baked beans, tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned meat, tinned soup.

Please note the dates when our community groups will next meet:

Breakfast Club: on 2nd July at 9.30 am at Manor Nursery.

The Bear Necessities: on 14th July, 7.30 pm at The Bear Inn, Pagham

Pints of View: on 10th July, 7.30 pm at The Inglenook Pub, Pagham

The Book Group: on 4th July, 2pm in St Andrew's Chapel

Bell ringing: on Mondays at 7.30 pm at St Thomas a Becket

Please Note: Churchwardens Mrs Sue O'Neill and Mr Alex Brockhurst's day off is Friday each week.

Next week's readings:

Isaiah 65.1-9, Psalm 22.19-28
Galatians 3.23-29, Luke 8.26-39