

PARISH NOTICES

also see www.chidhamandhambrook.info

All church meetings and events are cancelled unless you hear to the contrary
Thursday May 21st is Ascension Day

The Foodbank

At this stressful time, the local foodbank especially needs your donations. You can make a donation at <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/>. Alternatively, if you would like to give food, they particularly need Tinned Vegetables, Instant Mash/tinned Potatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding/custard, Cleaning Products, Toilet Rolls. Please leave your donations at your Supermarket - Waitrose, Tesco, Sainsbury's have facilities.

Keeping gravestones tidy: Denise Bowerman has kindly offered, on request, to tidy up gravestones or memorial stones in Chidham churchyards for people who cannot visit at the present time. If you would like Denise' help, please 'phone her on 576981.

Reflections - The Chancellor of Chichester Cathedral, The Reverend Canon Dr Dan Inman

<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/news/weekly-reflections-chancellor-chichester-cathedral-reverend-canon-dr-dan-inman>

Cathedral News: <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/news>

and keep in touch with the Cathedral peregrines - four eggs, all hatched! Check the latest.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pzv8KHdwsr0>

For Covid support information also go to <https://www.chidhamandhambrook.info/> or <https://www.chichester.gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you have something for the pewslip, contact Stephen Johnson Tel 572059 or email pskjohanson2000@gmail.com

In May, we remember

Patrick Joseph Dillon, Joan O'Brien, Alan Richard Cox

The readings for Sunday May 24 th		Seventh Sunday of Easter
First Reading	Acts 1.6-14	
Psalm	Psalm 68.1-10,32-35	
Second Reading	1 Peter 4.12-14; 5.6-11	
Gospel Reading	John 17.1-11	

THE PARISH OF CHIDHAM

May 17th, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Weekly Pew Slip

There will be no Church services until further notice
(Coronavirus precautions)

St Mary's will also be shut and locked for the time being.

We hope you would like to follow the weekly prayers and Bible readings

Hymns: Here are some links to some hymns for today

623 - Praise my soul the King of heaven

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sx1eMwIDFb8>

91 - Brother, sister let me serve you

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p03zcgzs>

96 - Christ is made our sure foundation

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cR9NHXnbxIU>

430 - Let there be love shared among us

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_yuRnemgaU

822 - When morning gilds the sky

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_ZjM2WMSJQ

A contribution from the Occasional Choir

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_8MKEpXqGko

Deidre wanted to do her bit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S3-rkkeVxp0>

The Parish is currently in Vacancy

During the Vacancy please contact the Churchwarden,
Willem van Niekerk, 1 Caspian Close, Fishbourne, PO18 8AY
Tel 07960305427

Church Warden :Willem van Niekerk
Church Warden and Treasurer : Carol Vigor



Collect

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

First Reading Acts 17.22-31

Paul stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you. “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’ “Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone – an image made by man’s design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead.”

Psalm 66.7-18

7 Bless our God, O you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard,
 8 Who holds our souls in life and suffers not our feet to slip.
 9 For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
 10 You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of liberty.
 12 I will come into your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows, which my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
 13 I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices with the smoke of rams; I will sacrifice oxen and goats.
 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he has done for

my soul.

15 I called out to him with my mouth and his praise was on my tongue.
 16 If I had nursed evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me,
 17 But in truth God has heard me; he has heeded the voice of my prayer.
 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld his loving mercy from me.

Second Reading 1 Peter 3.13-22

Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened.” But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behaviour in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. It is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit, through whom also he went and preached to the spirits in prison who disobeyed long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, and this water symbolises baptism that now saves you also – not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience towards God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God’s right hand – with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

The Gospel John 14.15-21

Jesus said: “If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.”