



THE PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Sunday 13th September, 2026

10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

We are very grateful that the leaflets today have been generously sponsored

**Len and Pauline Adsett
In celebration of our 60th Wedding Anniversary
on 10th September**

With love to our church family

Welcome to this celebration on our Patronal Festival

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Paul

Organist: Tony Hancock

The Setting: Thorne

The First Reading: Susie Hindman

The Second Reading: Frances Hancock

The Intercessions: Bren Marks

Ministers of Communion: Tony Holloway and James Raynard

Please **ONLY** use a white gift aid envelope if you are a tax payer and able to fill in your details on the front of the envelope.

We also have a **sum-up machine** at the back of the church for paying by card or you can use our **QR code to the right**.



Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is the **best way** to support us even when you are unable to attend church. Detail packs are at the back of church.

Thank you so much for supporting our church's ministry and mission

In the event of a fire or emergency in the Church, the exits available are: the West Door, the North Door, the South Door in the Chancel and the door through the Vestry. Please leave the building by an exit nearest to you.

Do join us for refreshments after the service

Opening organ music: "Placidamente" Edward Hopkins.

Please stand when the bell is rung

The Entrance Hymn: NEH 478

(Please note verse 2 refers to the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)

- 1** **Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluya.
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya.**
- 2** **O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluya.
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord.
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya.**
- 3** **Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya, Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya.**
- 4** **O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya, Alleluya.
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,**

✠ In the name of the Father, and
of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Fr Paul introduces the day's celebration and invites people
to make an act of penitence*

Lord Jesus you raise us to new life,

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Lord Jesus you forgive us our sins,

Christ have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord Jesus you feed us with your body and blood,

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

May Almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen**

The Gloria

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God in the Highest.

Glory to God in the Highest, and

peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, Heav'nly King,

Almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God in the Highest.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father: receive our prayer.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, glory to God, in the Highest.

**For you alone are the Holy one,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the
Glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

The Collect for the Day

Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:
grant that we, who have seen your glory
 revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit

The First Reading: Micah 5. 2-4

A reading from the prophet Micah

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labour has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading: Romans 8. 28-30

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

**The Gradual Hymn: NEH 161 (tune 385)
J.R. Peachey (1896-1971)**

- 1 For Mary, Mother of the Lord,
God's holy name be praised;
who first the Son of God adored
as on her child she gazed.**
- 2 The angel Gabriel brought the word
She should Christ's mother be'
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
Made answer willingly.**
- 3 The heavenly call she thus obeyed
And so God's will was done;
the second Eve love's answer made
which our redemption won.**
- 4 She gave her body for God's shrine,
her heart to piercing pain;
she knew the cost of love divine
when Jesus Christ was slain.**
- 5 Dear Mary, from your lowliness
and home in Galilee,
There comes a joy and holiness
to every family.**
- 6 Hail Mary, you are full of grace,
above all women blest;
Blest in your Son whom your embrace,
in birth and death confessed.**

The Gospel Reading: Luke 1. 39-45

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Please sit

The Homily

Please stand

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate from
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Please sit or kneel

The Intercessions – the prayers of the church

The following responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

or

Lord hear us,

Lord graciously hear us.

The Intercessions conclude with the following

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Please stand

The Peace

Fr. Paul introduces the Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace



The Offertory Hymn: NEH 205
Anonymous Latin translated by John M Neale (1818-1866)

- 1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
and the precious cornerstone,
who, the two walls underlying
bound in each, binds both in one,
holy Sion's help forever,
and her confidence alone.**
- 2 All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation,
pours perpetual melody,
God the one, in Threefold glory,
singing everlastingly.**
- 3 To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls for ay.**
- 4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
here to have and hold for ever,
those good things their prayers obtain,
and hereafter, in thy glory,
with thy blessed ones to reign.**
- 5 Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
One is love, and One in splendour,
while unending ages run.**

Pray dear brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

The Prayer over the Gifts is said

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give thanks and praise

Fr. Paul continues with the prayer

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Fr. Paul continues until the following is used:

Great is the mystery of faith.
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

Fr. Paul continues and leads into the conclusion of the prayer to which all sing:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen

Please kneel or sit

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

**We break this bread
to share in the Body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one Bread**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The Giving of Communion

Fr Paul issues the invitation to communion in these or very similar words:

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Choir: Song of Mary – Richard Shepherd

Post-Communion Hymn NEH 275 G.B. Timms 1910-1997

- 1 Blessed Jesu, Mary's son,
 For mankind to earth thou camest,
 But the saving battle won,
 Now at God's right hand thou reignest:
 On thy people pour thy blessing,
 Gathered here, thy name confessing.**

- 2 By this sacramental sign,
 Token of thy bitter passion,
 Through these gifts of bread and wine
 Thine own image in us fashion:
 By this food thy grace doth send us
 From all ills of soul defend us.**

**3 In this mystery of grace
Which we celebrate before thee,
Come, O Saviour, show thy face
To the faithful who adore thee:
All our sins by thee forgiven,
Grant us here the joys of heaven.**

The Prayer after Communion

O God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and
bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

Notices are now given out

Please stand

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

**The Recessional Hymn: NEH 321 (Tune 186)
J.R. Peacey 1896-1971)**

- 1 Go forth for God, go forth to the world in peace;
be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
In God's good Spirit, daily to increase,
till in his kingdom we behold his face.**
- 2 Go forth for God, go forth to the world in strength;
hold fast the good, be urgent for the right;
render to no one evil; Christ at length
shall overcome all darkness with his light.**
- 3 Go forth for God, go forth to the world in love;
strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak;
help the afflicted; richly from above
His love supplies the grace and power we seek.**
- 4 Go forth for God, go forth to the world in joy,
to serve Christ's brethren every day and hour,
and serving Christ, his every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.**
- 5 Sing praise to him who brought us on our way,
Sing praise to him who bought us with his blood,
Sing praise to him who sanctifies each day,
Sing praise to him who reigns one Lord and God.**



Concluding music: "Toccata in G" Theodore Dubois.

FESTIVAL EVENSONG AT 6pm

This evening at 6pm there will be a Festival Evensong followed by refreshments. Preacher: Fr Jonathan Swindells, the Rector of Storrington. If you are able to bring a plate of savoury or sweet nibbles it would be so helpful.

For your prayers this coming week

*We pray for **Pope Leo XIV** and his ministry to the world-wide church.*

*We pray for the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, **Archbishop of Canterbury**.*

*In the **Anglican cycle of we pray for:***

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

*In our **Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for:***

In our Diocese we now pray for Bishop Will as the Acting Bishop of Chichester and Bishop Ruth working with him as they oversee the Diocese during the vacancy.

Pray for the Archdeacon of Brighton and Lewes and his PA Marc Sacher

We pray for the work of SPLASH in their work with young people across the Deanery.

*We pray for the work of the **Friends of Pulborough Parish Church** (FPPC) as they work towards the launch of the major appeal next week for our Church restoration and for its success.*

*We pray for **our nation and government:***

*For King Charles and his family. We pray for our **Prime Minister**, Andy Burnham, and his Cabinet members and all members of Parliament especially Andrew Griffith our own MP*

*We pray for **peace and an end to the conflict in the Middle East**, praying especially for all world leaders and those who advise them.*

*We pray for the work of **Education West Africa**, the people of Sierra Leone and the work of the Church there remembering especially the Dioceses of Freetown and Bo.*

*We continue to pray for **the work of FSW** across the Diocese. We pray for our **local Care Homes**: Hillside Lodge, The Anchorage, Petworth Cottage Nursing Home, Rotherlea and Barlavington Manor*

Those who are now in need of healing:

Toni Hayes, Sarah and James Ross, Frances Usher-Smith, Matt, Kelvin Tatum, Dylis Laker, Howard Robson, Peter Robson, Jo Wotton and Tim Hayes

Those who are in need of on-going prayer:

Rachel Webbe, James McDonagh, Victoria and Tim, John Raynard

***Pray to rest in peace:** Don Hubert*

***Anniversary of death:** Frank Richardson, Barbara Bufton and Peter Leeke*

***Village Prayers:** Together with the other churches in the village we pray for all who live or work in: Lower Street (west of Sorting Office) Skeyne Drive, Carpenters Meadow. Barnhouse Close, Barnhouse Lane, Arun Court and Allfreys Wharf*

FUNERAL OF DON HUBERT R.I.P.

The funeral of **Don Hubert** will be tomorrow **at 12.30am in church**. Do please consider attending the funeral to support Dorothy and her family.

‘May he rest peace and rise in glory

Church and Liturgical Diary

14th Monday: Holy Cross Day

10am to 12noon The HUB meet at Pulborough Library

12.30pm Funeral of Don Hubert R.I.P.

3.15-4.15pm Kingfishers meet at St. Mary's School

7.30pm St. Mary's Tower Bell ringing

15th Tuesday: *St Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, Martyr 258*

9.30am Morning Prayer

7pm 'Meeting Matthew' group at 86 Glebelands

16th Wednesday: *St Ninian, Bishop and Apostle 432*

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.15am The Holy Eucharist

7pm Ministry Team meeting at the Rectory

17th Thursday: *St. Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, Visionary 1179*

9.30am Morning Prayer

18th Friday: *Feria*

9.30am Collective worship for Years 5 and 6 in church

12 noon The Holy Eucharist

19th Saturday: *St Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690*

Strength in Stone, Spirit in Community – Launch of The Appeal

11.30-12.30pm Visiting Ringers from St Mary's Liss to the tower

Sponsored walks, Hog Roast and Light Show

20th TRINITY 16

8am The Holy Eucharist (Said)

10.30am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Readings: Jonah 3. 10 to end of 4, Phillipians 1. 21-end and Matthew 20. 1-16



HARVEST FESTIVAL FOODBANK COLLECTION



We would be grateful if you could collect tinned and packaged food items to help support families across Sussex.

- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Meat / Fish
- Tinned Fruit
- Soup
- Chopped Tomatoes
- Pasta sauce
- Pasta
- Dried rice
- Jams & Spreads
- Coffee & Tea
- Table Sauces
- Snack bars

No fresh, chilled or out-of-date items.
Thank You!

Please contact Spencer on 01273 832 963 or email Spencer@familysupportwork.org.uk to arrange a collection.



RIDE AND STRIDE FOR SUSSEX HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Hopefully when you read this 15 of us, plus one four legged friend will have walked around Chichester yesterday and **visited 20 churches, chapels and of our course our Cathedral.** We are very grateful to Fr Paul who led the walk and mapped out our journey around the city.

Thank you so much to those who took part, not only from St Mary's but the United Reformed Church and Pulborough Baptist Church, it really was an ecumenical event! Thank you also to those who have sponsored us, there is still time to sponsor us and it will be great to sponsorship money as soon as possible. Cash would be very helpful.

HARVEST FAIR DAY

Saturday 26th September from 11am to 5pm

As usual we will be having the church open on Harvest Fair Day. We will be serving cream teas throughout the day as well as home-made cakes, tea and coffee.

Our church flower arrangers will be showing their expertise with their Harvest arrangements.

If you feel able to give a donation towards the flowers for this event or in fact at any other time, perhaps in memory of a loved one, Pauline Adsett or Bridget Allfrey would be pleased to hear from you.

The BACS details for the flower group is:

Account: St Mary's Flower Group

Sort Code: 60.16.27

Account: 96016779

We will have lists at the back of church next week for offers of help for Harvest Fair Day in church and also for offers of home-made cakes.

As always, thank you so much for your support in many ways. It is so appreciated.



Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits thou hast given me,
for all the pains and insults thou hast borne for me.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee
more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly, day by day. Amen



St Mary's Church, a place for baptisms, weddings, funerals and services throughout the agesand a Churchyard, the last resting place over the centuries, for so many local people and those from further afield.

TOGETHER WE CAN SAVE ST MARY'S

Join us and
Beat the Bounds
of Pulborough

SATURDAY
19th SEPTEMBER
2026



Join neighbours, friends and family
as we walk the ancient boundary of
Pulborough and launch the **Strength
in Stone, Spirit in Community** appeal.

TWO EVENTS ♦ ONE DAY ♦ ONE COMMUNITY

PART ONE ~ THE WALK

**Beating the Bounds
Community Walk**

🕒 9am Start

13.7 mile circular walk taking most of the
parish boundary (avoiding the A29)



OR

Choose the shorter 4.5 mile
walk around Pulborough.

Walk with family, friends,
colleagues, or a local group.

Everyone is welcome!

Starting from St Mary's Pulborough

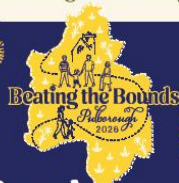


PART TWO ~ THE EVENING

**Evening Celebration
at St Mary's Church**

🕒 5.30pm Start

- ♥ Hog Roast
- ♥ Sound & Light Show
- ♥ Refreshments
- ♥ Speeches



Register today



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The Friends of Pulborough Parish Church, operating under the umbrella of the Parochial Church
Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary, Pulborough. Registered Charity No: 1132137

Scan to register for the walk and evening celebration
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