

Growing Faith Conference, Chichester Cathedral, Sat May 14th

Issie Baty and I set out at 7:45am last Saturday to head to the Growing Faith Conference at Chichester Cathedral. Rev'd Nigel Genders kicked off the conference by telling us that the number of under 18 year olds attending CofE services on a Sunday has now fallen below 1 million, yet 76% of Christians say they came to faith before the age of 18. Lucy Moore (creator of Messy church and now Head of the Growing Faith Foundation) got us all singing 'When a Knight won his spurs' rather bizarrely but made the point that as members of the congregation we should all be actively engaged in the battle to bring people to faith.

We went to various talks throughout the day of varying degrees of engagement and had the message reinforced that the survival of the CofE is obviously dependent on reaching out to the younger generations in new and creative ways or it will cease to exist in future years. There needs to be a far greater connectivity between Church, school and home than we are currently experiencing and that every member of the congregation can play a role in transforming their Church.

We managed to gather some good resources during our day and learnt that the Cathedral is VERY cold, even on a warm day, that it's important to note the name of the car park one's car is left in (!!!) and that if we are really serious about opening up our Churches to a wider community, we all need to stretch out our arms much wider and embrace change.

Want to see what you missed? Click here: [Growing Faith Conference - Diocese of Chichester Youth \(anglican.org\)](https://www.anglican.org/growing-faith-conference) Ali Brown



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NEWS IN THE PEWS

Welcome

SUNDAY 22nd May 2022

The sixth Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Year C (White)

Priest in Charge Revd Paul Mundy (Rector of Newick)

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.am Parish Communion with Baptism

Father Martin Morgan



TODAY'S READINGS

8am

James 1: 22—end

John 16: 23b—end

10am

Acts 16: 9-15

John 14: 23-29

TODAY'S HYMNS

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| 1st Hymn 377 | Love divine, all loves excelling |
| 2nd Hymn 1483 | One more step along the world I go |
| 3rd Hymn 51 | Breath on me breath of God |
| 4th Hymn 2296 | God is our strength and refuge |

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES 29th May

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Parish Communion AT NEWICK

In your prayers this week please remember those who are ill especially **Stephen & Julie, Julian and Troy, Gemma Peacock, Betty Olbrich, Kerry and Dudley Dean, David Banes, Jenny Weller, Suzi Novis, Ray Ford, Chris Ruane, Janet Hunt, Stuart Guerard, Anne Yeats, Andrew Morgan, and Peter Ford.**

We pray too for the recently departed and for all those whose anniversaries fall at this time, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

CHURCH DIARY

Wednesday 25th May 9.00am Possums

BIBLE BOOK CLUB reading Daniel Chapters 7-12. Meeting on 23rd June 2.15pm at Joy and Stewart's.

CHURCH UNLOCKING/LOCKING ROTA

Week beginning

Sunday 22 nd May	Chris Peskett
Sunday 29 th May	Lucy Rackham
Sunday 5 th June	Brenda Ford
Sunday 12 th June	Peter Martin
Sunday 19 th June	MaryJane Corver
Sunday 26 th June	Olga Jeffs

WELCOME to Josie Day who brings her son Billy Anthony, today, for Holy Baptism. We welcome them, their friends and family to our service.

Take this little one dear Father into your loving arms, Cover and protect him, guide him from all harm. Fill his days with love and joy, nurture all he is, Help him as they learn and grow, to feel loved and set apart. Speak to him of truth and light, so that his soul can sing, A cry of praise, a song of joy, and a love for peaceful things. Take his little hand dear God and bless him as he prays, Let a beautiful love story begin on this his baptism day.

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WEBSITE: There is a lot of information on our website, which we keep updated. It can be found on www.stpeterschailey.org

Our Safeguarding Recruiter (child protection officer) is MaryJane Corver. She can be contacted on 01825 724687 / 07802 524313 / email maryjane.corver@btinternet.com

ROTAS

We could do with volunteers to join the following rotas.

Flower team,
Grantham Close run (collecting and returning Pat and June for Sunday services)
Cleaning
Choir
Please speak to a churchwarden if you feel you can help.

Pastoral Care Fund

Donations can be made at any time to the Treasurer or directly to the bank. (Chailey P C C, Sort Code 09-01-55 Account 06923088. Please state '**Pastoral Care Fund**'). Cheques can be posted in the letterbox outside St Peter's bell tower or handed to a Church Warden.

If you are able to gift aid your donation, please include a note with your name, address and postcode, or you can email a note to the Treasurer, to stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk