

Sunday 11th Oct – Trinity 19 / Creationtide

Exodus 32.1-14 Philippians 4.1-9 Matthew 22.1-14

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church
9.45am The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church

[You tube link](#) for the service

<https://youtube.com/live/iCYUgON9bJE?feature=share>

11.30am Morning Worship at St Peter's Church

2.00pm The Gathering at St Peter's School

We depend on the regular faithful giving of the church family to continue our mission and ministry to Portishead and maintain our church buildings. If you do not already do so, please prayerfully consider giving regularly to the church – no matter how small the sum you can afford. Visit www.portisheadparish.co.uk/welcome#Giving for more information of how to do this.

Please think of God's creation when coming to church; walk or cycle if you can or consider car-sharing.

If there is anything that we can do to make worship or information about what we do more accessible please speak to one of the clergy or call Jessica in the office on 846230 / office@portisheadparish.co.uk

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Mon 12 th Oct	7.15am	Monday Prayer– online
Tues 13 th Oct	9.00am	Refresh Parent, Baby & Toddler Group at St Peter's Church
	2.00pm	Bereavement Support Group
Weds 14 th Oct	9.00am	**Morning Prayer – The Chancel St Peter's
Thurs 15 th Oct		'Thought for the Day' available from 8.00am via our website, YouTube and Facebook
	6.45am	Morning Prayer – online
	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
Saturday 17 th Oct	10.00am	Quiet Morning – St Nicholas' Church

****** We will gather in person in **The Chancel in St Peter's for Wednesday Morning Prayer**. You would be really welcome to join us for this short time together lasting 20-25 minutes. Please be assured that there will be no pressure to pray out loud.

Sunday 18th Oct – Trinity 20 / Creationtide / St Luke

Isaiah 35.3-6 2 Timothy 4.5-17 Luke 10.1-9

8am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
9.15 for 9.30am Café Church in the Lighthouse at St Nicholas' Church
9.45am The 9.45 Special at St Peter's Church
11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church
6.00pm Evensong at St Peter's Church

Psalm 103.1-5; Isaiah 61.1-6; Colossians 4.7-18



Our Prayers

Those in need Mary Powell, Judith, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham, Wendy Burrell, Tony Peacey, Ray Gullock, Pam Newton, Pauline Tuckwell, Nigel, Jo, Linda, Nigel Selvey

Those who have recently died Terence Hancock, John Dunkley, Christine Taylor

Notices

Pastoral Care

Rev'd Tonya will be loitering most weeks in a café in Portishead. Should you have something pastoral you'd like to discuss or just to say hello, why not drop by.

Dates & time for October: 10.15am - 11.45am

Venue: The Port, 3 The Precinct, Bristol BS20 6AH

Wednesday 14th

Wednesday 21st

Or you could contact her on: 01275
840016/07341328682
pastorportishead@outlook.com

St Peter's Church Tidy-Up Day

Saturday 10th October, 10am-12 noon

The church garden needs a lot of work - If you are able, please bring gardening tools, gloves, and trowels to help with weeding and turning over the compost bins. For those who would prefer indoor tasks, there will be craft preparation for our children's activities. Refreshments will be available, and all help, whether for a short time or the whole morning, will be greatly appreciated. Everyone is welcome.



Tidy Up Day

Saturday 10th October
10 – 12

Cleaning – Gardening
Craft prep – Tidying
Tea coffee cake

ST PETERS CHURCH

Bring Gardening tools- inside cleaning equipment provided
All ages welcome



LLADS Saturday 10th October
10.30 – 12noon – St Barnabas Centre



LLaDs

Lads, Lasses and Dads

A place for dads and their children (aged 0-7 years) to hang out. We offer bacon butties & good coffee for the dads plus fruit, juice and exciting activities for the children.

**Join us at the Children's Centre on
the second Saturday of each month
from 10.30am to 12pm**

We welcome donations of £2 per adult and £1 per child

Portishead Church of England
Growing & Going in God's Love



**THE
GATHERING**

**Messy
Church**

Everyone is welcome for fun, games, stories,
songs, food and craft

Sunday 11th October
2pm to 3.30pm

St Peter's School, Portishead
Please use the entrance by Mathisons

Contact Mark Fuller at
pilgrim@portisheadparish.co.uk
for more info

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A special community screening: The People's Emergency Briefing

What's happening with climate and nature, and what does it mean for everyday life in the UK?

A FREE screening of the acclaimed documentary The People's Emergency Briefing - an eye-opening film bringing together nine leading UK scientists and experts with the latest evidence and why it matters.

Stay afterwards for a short informal discussion with others who care about the future of our communities and countryside.

1st September - Avon Way Hall

10th October - St Peter's Church

Reserve your free tickets:

www.helpourplanet.earth

Please share with friends, family and neighbours - everyone is welcome

People's Emergency Briefing



On the climate and nature crisis

10th Oct 2026

St Peter's Church

Portishead

Doors open at 7pm

Film starts at 7:30pm

Free Film screening and
discussion



SCAN ME

**"THE EARTH IS THE
LORD'S, AND
EVERYTHING IN IT."
PSALM 24:1**



Hello St Nicholas Congregation

We are having a Clean Up Day on **10th October from 10-12am**.
Tea, Coffee and Biscuits provided.

Also we are in need of at least one person to join the cleaning team.

Please can you spare 1 hour per month to help?

Please contact Diane Yeoman (07891 401723) who will be very pleased to speak to you about either!!

PCC Review of Pattern of Worship

On **Wednesday 14th October**, the PCC will be taking some time to review our pattern of worship across the church. We'll be listening to experiences and reflecting on what is life-giving, what we value, and what God may be inviting us to explore. It is important that PCC regularly gives space to prayerfully consider how our worship reflects the church God is calling us to be: a church always striving to grow deeper with God, in love and care for one another, in strengthening relationships across the generations, and in joining with God's mission in the world. If there is anything that you would like to feed into this conversation please speak to a member of the PCC (which includes the Church Wardens and the Clergy) or send an email to pccsecretary@portisheadparish.co.uk

We would love to hear the voices of our children and young people as part of this conversation. Parents and carers, please consider having a conversation with your children about these three questions and let us know any responses:

- What helps you get to know God and feel close to him when we worship?
- What helps you feel welcomed, cared for and part of our church family?
- What helps children, young people and adults worship and learn together?
- Has anything we have done in church made a difference to the rest of your week?
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Please pray for the PCC and for this important conversation.



Encounters on the Road

A Quiet Morning with Rob Eastwood Dewing

At St Nicholas' Church, Nore Road, Portishead

10.00 am- 1.00 pm, Saturday 17th October 2026

So many stories in scripture tell us of people having profound encounters with God and others while they were on the way somewhere. We will look at a few of those stories and see what lessons they hold for us today. Rob will offer some reflections and there will be time to be quiet and pray.

If the weather is kind The Glade in Chaplain's Wood is a lovely place to sit and be still. Do bring a book or something else to do if you would like to.



Parish of Portishead Eco Group



"The Lord God took the human and put them in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it."
Genesis 2:15

From our own gardens and hedgerows to the wildlife that lives within the boundaries of our church grounds, from the food we eat and places we travel, God's creation is a gift entrusted to our care. As a church, we are called not only to appreciate its beauty but also to protect and nurture it and live out God's calling care for earth. We are looking for people who would like to be part of the parish Eco Group. This isn't a major commitment or another busy committee.



Instead, we're hoping to gather a small team of people passionate about creation and eager to explore how we can weave care for the environment into our worship, prayer, and community life.

Whether your passion is gardening, wildlife, climate justice, sustainable living, outdoor worship, community projects, or simply delighting in the wonder of God's world, you would be really welcome.

Past projects have included showing the emergency climate film and sustainable flowers in our churches, dawn chorus walk, owl boxes and Earth Day prayers.

Interested? Please speak to Lindsay pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk - 07483932608

Shoebbox Time is here again! Fill a box with 'goodies' such as toothpaste and soap, to send as a Christmas gift to Eastern Europe. If you can't manage to get all the items, why not join with a friend?

All the information you need is in the leaflet (in church and in my porch). Boxes preferably to my porch at 55 Woodhill Road, by 22nd October please. (Latest date to drop at church will be 18th October).

If you have a spare shoebox, do pop it in the church porch or in mine- or if you need a box, take one of the spares. (NB shoeboxes with attached lids are fine, and actually not any more difficult to wrap...)

Thank you!
Alison 01275 849775



9.45 Special - God's Story... Our Story

Sunday 18th October at St Peter's Church



Tea and Toast served from 9.30

9:45 SPECIAL

Informal service with a spark of creativity

Date: 18th October 2026

Time: 09:45

Location: St Peters Church
Portishead

A creative and interactive morning as we explore how God's story and our stories are woven together. Through stories, conversation, prayer, and activities for all ages, we'll wonder together about where we fit into God's great story of love, hope, and faithfulness. Every life has a story to tell, and every story matters.

There will be a simple craft for everyone to enjoy, whether you're young or young at heart. Tea and toast from 9.30am. Service begins at 9.45am. Come as you are, and bring your family and friends for a warm, welcoming morning as we discover together how God is at work in our everyday lives.

Impero Lounge _ Martha's Kitchen

Volunteers from Martha's Kitchen will be in the Impero Lounge on the following Tuesdays, 8.00–9.30am. Children can stop by on their way to school for a FREE breakfast of cereal and toast, while parents can enjoy an early-morning coffee. Volunteers will also be available to issue foodbank vouchers and lunch bag vouchers.

Dates and Times

Tuesday 13th October
Tuesday 20th October

Venue: Impero Lounge, 60 High St, BS20 6EH, Portishead

For more information, contact: Revd Lindsay – 07483932608 |

Pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk

All Souls – Sunday 25th October at 4pm – St Peter's Church



All Souls is a Service allows us to remember with thanksgiving to God those whom we have known and who have died.

During the Service, hymns will be sung, prayers will be said and space for silence given as we remember those who have died. Names of the departed will be read out and you will be invited to light a candle in remembrance of them.

Following the service there will be tea and cake available.

Mission to Seafarers.

A message from Rev Lucy Blows, Mission to Seafarers Chaplain in Royal Portbury Dock.

Recently, three Seafarers were attacked in Avonmouth and one remains in a critical condition in hospital. As a result, plans to create a smaller Seafarer centre in Avonmouth port for those Seafarers that don't feel safe enough to leave the port, are in place. We hope to have this up and running by 31st October and any support you feel able to give will be much appreciated.

We are looking for financial donations for coffee machine, games, Karaoke machine, table football! or the following items for a new centre: tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits, toiletries, kettle, crockery, cutlery.

There is also a link for the just giving fund for the injured Seafarer [Fundraiser by St Andrew's Church](https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-the-filipino-seafarer-attacked-in-avonmouth-bristol) : <https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-the-filipino-seafarer-attacked-in-avonmouth-bristol>

Let's Crack This Together Update

Despite hours of work with the ITV reporters on Thursday last week our little stunt didn't make it to the TV but it has aroused interest in the town.

We are looking to spread the word to outside of our church community. There are fundraising leaflet in both churches, please take a couple to distribute to local businesses, friends and neighbours. If you can't find any call Claire Short or contact the office.
Claire Short : 07910 770422



We have received more than £40,000 in gifts so thank you, that takes our total to over **£107,000!**

We will close the Gift Weekend on 12th October.

You can still give to the Let's Crack this Together appeal fund if you would like to Envelopes are available in both churches if you would like to give by cash or cheque. You can also give by bank transfer or through our contactless devices. If giving via a contactless machine including details of the amount given on a slip of paper inside so that we can claim the tax back.

Please make any cheques out to Portishead PCC

You can also give by Direct Bank Transfer (BACS)

Account name: **Portishead Parochial Church Council**
General Account
Bank: **NatWest Bank PLC**
Sort code: **54-30-06**
Account: **03063410**

Please include the reference **'Crack'**



JustGiving™



The St Peter's Arms Pop-up Pub and Quiz - Saturday 31 October

For one night only **St Peter's Church, Portishead** will be transformed into the St Peter's Arms serving beer wine and cider. We are hosting a Pub Quiz to fundraiser for the repair of the cracks in the north west corner of the church.

Doors open 6.45pm - Quiz starts 7.30pm

Tickets £5 per person and teams can be up to five people.

Come as a team (or join a team on the evening.)
Star prize for the winning team.



[Click here](#) to book your place



Easter in a Box 2027

Taster Session



Sunday 15th November

3pm to 4.30pm

St Peter's Church

Easter in a Box: The Movie has helped the churches in Portishead share the Easter story with 100s of school children. Next year we are taking it into even more schools and we need to grow the team.

This **taster session** is an opportunity to find out more, see what's involved, and see how you could be part of it.

Please contact Mark at pilgrim@portisheadparish.co.uk if you can come or would like more info.

Heatree Weekend 7th-9th May 2027

We're excited to be planning another fun and relaxed weekend away in 2027 to Heatree Activity Centre.

Heatree is a Christian outdoor residential centre based in the beautiful surroundings of Dartmoor National Park in Devon. Expect a welcoming atmosphere, time to connect, optional outdoor activities, shared meals (and cooking and washing up!), gentle spiritual rhythms, and Messy Church-style worship. No pressure, just community and fun!

You can find more info, along with a letter to download, detailing how to book here:

<https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/my-post>.

**PLEASE NOTE CHURCH ROAD SOUTH WILL BE CLOSED DUE TO GAS REPAIRS
FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 26TH OCTOBER**

Links for Online Meetings

7.15am Monday - Monday Prayer- online – [Click for Link](#)
<https://teams.live.com/join/9399632380155?p=x10GS1guFQs7vCocPK>

06.45am Thursday - Morning Prayer – online – [Click for Link](#)

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84019088287?pwd%3DITGdlbVV0YWwwdEp5dXhweHRrTGgyZz09&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw1VEfkOPUuLFY-Z9ZpyWvdA>

10.40 Thursday - Midweek Church Coffee – online – [Click for Link](#)

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84562565696?pwd%3DQ2gvMEdwcdVBVTnUUtQUp1ZXZTZz09&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw1HZ7ru3pFUNm9jEbfvHLN1>

Church Office opening times Mon – Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm Tel: 01275 846230 Email: office@portisheadparish.co.uk The office is not open on Wednesdays	To make a donation to the church please use:
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