



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

## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept – Trinity 15

Exodus 14.19-31 Romans 14.1-12 Matthew 18.21-35

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

Pebbles and youth church will be meeting during this service

**You can attend this service via a Live Feed – [Click for link](#)**

<https://youtube.com/live/OxRF1P8Wd74?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](http://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](mailto:office@portisheadparish.co.uk)*

#### **Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:**

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| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept      | 7.15am      | Monday Prayer– online                                                             |
| Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept     | 9.00am      | Refresh Parent, Baby & Toddler Group at St Peter's Church                         |
| Weds 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept     | 9.00am      | Morning Prayer – online                                                           |
| Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept    |             | '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 – online                                                    |
|                                | 2.00pm      | Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church                                            |
| Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept | 2.30-4.00pm | Welcome Tea for new comers to the parish – St Peter's Church                      |

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

## Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept – Trinity 16

Exodus 16.2-15 Philippians 1.21-30 Matthew 20.1-16

### **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**



### 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, Jo

**Those who have recently died** Terence Hancock, John Dunkley

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

### Notices

**Let's Crack this Together – Update and Gift Day** - Let's Crack This Together. Our appeal to fix the cracks in St Peter's is gaining momentum. The repair work is likely to cost between £250,000 and £300,000.

**On the weekend of 12 and 13 September, everyone will have an opportunity to contribute to the Let's Crack this Together appeal fund.** Envelopes will be available in both churches for those who would like to give by cash or cheque from this Sunday. It will also be possible to give by bank transfer or through our contactless devices. If giving via a contactless machine please complete the details on an envelope with the amount given so that we can claim the tax back.

JustGiving sends your donation straight to Portishead Church of England & automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more!

#### **Details for Direct Bank (BACS) Transfers:-**

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

Or Click the QR Code and Reference: **CRACK THIS** to ensure the funds go to the right account!



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If paying by cheque

**Please make any cheques out to Portishead PCC**

Any questions? Contact the Finance team via [office@portisheadparish.co.uk](mailto:office@portisheadparish.co.uk)



**Do join us for Midday Prayers at 12.00 on Saturday 12th September and, of course, at our Sunday Services.**

# Tidy Up Day



**Saturday 12th September**

10 – 12

Cleaning – Gardening  
Craft prep – Tidying  
Tea coffee cake

**ST PETERS CHURCH**

Bring Gardening tools- inside cleaning  
equipment provided  
All ages welcome



## St Peter's Church, Chore and Tidy Morning.

On Saturday, the **12<sup>th</sup> September**, we would love some help with cleaning the church, litter picking in the church yard, weeding, light gardening, and preparing craft materials and organising them for the month ahead.

Every small job helps — and just a little time from a few more people really does make a big difference.

There'll be plenty of friendly chat, coffee,

and cake to enjoy along the way



Please bring along your duster, any garden tools you have — and feel free to bring the family too

## Pebbles and Youth Church are back this Sunday!

Youth Church meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, 9.45am at St Peter's Church and is for young people in school years 6 and above. They leave part way through the service and make their way up the bell tower, into the bell ringers room where they meet for around 30mins to connect with God and each other through digging into the Bible, playing games, chatting about life and praying together. To find out more please contact Mark.

Pebbles meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, 9.45am at St Peter's Church and is for children in reception to year 5. Sessions include a story and space to reflect and respond, which may include creating the people of God, junk modelling the temple of Solomon, or snowballing Goliath! To find out more contact Lindsay.

**THE GATHERING**

**Messy Church**

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

**Sunday 13th September**  
**2pm to 3.30pm**

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

Contact Mark Fuller at  
[pilgrim@portisheadparish.co.uk](mailto:pilgrim@portisheadparish.co.uk)  
for more info

Portishead Church of England  
Primary & Nursery - 01274 341111

# Welcome

## New to St Peters or St Nicholas Church?

### Come along for a Newcomers' Afternoon

*Meet new people, hear more about our church,  
ask any questions you may have.  
Enjoy tea, coffee and cake in a  
relaxed and friendly setting*

**Date: Saturday 19th September 2026**

**Time: 2.30pm ~ 4pm**

**Venue: St. Peters Church**



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Bring your favorite Teddy Bear

## 9:45 SPECIAL

Informal service with a spark of creativity

**Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> september 2026

**Time:** 09:45

**Location:** St Peters Church Portishead

Tea and Toast served from 9.30



### 9.45 Special at St Peter's Church – Sunday 20th September

Tea, Toast & Teddy Bears (tea and toast from 9.30). Bring your favourite bear or cuddly friend — every single bear will receive a blessing.

An informal, creative, relaxed service with space to breathe, make, doodle, wonder, or simply be.

There'll be hands-on fun for all ages, including a craft activity that welcomes tiny fingers, grown-up hands, and everyone in between.

### **Creating places to belong...**

We believe that the most significant ministry happens in those simple moments when people feel known, welcomed and valued. A bacon butty and a coffee. A game with a child. A conversation about life with a young person. A space where someone can ask questions about faith. What might seem like small things, can have a huge impact. That's why we're looking to grow our teams serving children, young people and families.

**LlaDs (Lads, Lasses and Dads)** is a place where dads and their children can simply come as they are. Once a month on a Saturday morning at the Children's Centre, dads can meet in a relaxed space and chat over bacon butties and good coffee, while the children enjoy toys, games and activities. But it's about more than breakfast and activities. It's about building relationships and creating a welcoming community where people know they belong. We're looking for some new volunteers to help make that happen: to help set up, serve refreshments, chat with the dads, or simply help create an environment that feels warm, friendly and welcoming.



Youth Church is about giving young people a place to belong, to ask questions and to explore what it means to follow Jesus. Meeting two Sundays a month for young people in Year 6 and above, we spend time exploring the Bible, playing games, talking about life and praying together. At its heart, Youth Church is about relationships - helping young people know that they are seen, valued and not alone as they navigate life and faith. There are lots of ways to get involved. You could help during sessions, lead or plan activities, or simply be there to listen, encourage and get to know our young people.

### **Could you be part of it...**

You don't have to have all the answers. You just need to be willing to show up, make time and invest in people. Whether you could help regularly or just want to find out a little more about what's involved, we'd love to hear from you.

Please get in touch with Mark if you'd like to know more about volunteering with LLaDs or Youth Church. All our volunteers will go through our safer recruitment process and receive appropriate safeguarding training for their role. We'd love to talk with you about what getting involved might look like.

## Prayer Stations in St Peter's 19-28 September

In 2026 Bath and Wells Diocese is have a year of special focus on prayer. A prayer box is visiting churches in the Diocese with various stations to help us to pray. This will be n St Peter's Church in the week beginning 20th Sept. Please come when the church is open and take some time to use the resources and pray.

## Response to Generosity Month

A huge thank you to all who reflected on and responded to our generosity month focus. Your contributions at such difficult financial times are very much appreciated & enable us to continue to run so many valued activities within our parish.

## Evensong

The choir of St. Peter's will be looking forward to September and the resumption of our favourite service, Evensong. We so enjoy singing the psalm, Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis from the Book of Common Prayer knowing we are continuing a tradition of choirs before us who have sung them in St. Peter's for over 350 years. As well as that there is the beautiful language of the liturgy for the congregation to reflect on.

The church itself looks lovely, in summer, the light streams through the west windows as the sun sinks towards the horizon and in winter the stained-glass windows glow, lit from the lamps inside the church.

Why not spend an hour in this tranquil service on the third Sunday of each month, at 6pm, April to October, and 5pm, November to March.

**St Peter's Churchyard Database** We have a wonderful, impressive and really useful database of all those who are buried or memorialised in St Peter's Churchyard. You can have a look at it via our website or here: <https://graveyarddb.z33.web.core.windows.net/> This was put together about 5 years ago by a small team of volunteers. We need somebody who would be able to keep this up to date. This would involve logging those interred in the churchyard each year and add their names and photographs of their memorials onto the database. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Jess in the office or speak to one of the clergy or churchwardens.

## Confirmation

Would you be interested in being confirmed into the Church of England? It provides a wonderful opportunity to explore faith further and to take a step of commitment. There will be a confirmation service in **Wells Cathedral on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm**. We would love to take a group of people from Portishead. Please speak to one of the clergy if you would be interested in exploring this further.

# People's Emergency Briefing

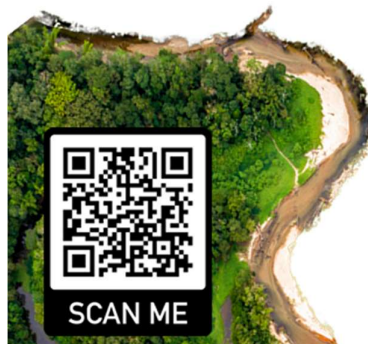


***On the climate and nature crisis***

10th Oct 2026  
St Peter's Church  
Portishead

Doors open at 7pm  
Film starts at 7:30pm

Free Film screening and  
discussion



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

**6pm, April to October, and 5pm, November to March. 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](http://www.helpourplanet.earth)

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

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