



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

Sunday 5th April - Easter Day

Jeremiah 31.1–6 ; Acts 10.34–43; Matthew 28.1–10

6.30am Churches Together Sunrise Service – Battery Point

8.00am Holy Communion – St Peter's Church

9.30am Parish Eucharist for Easter – St Nicholas' Church

9.45am All Age Communion for Easter – St Peter's Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist for Easter – St Peter's Church

To join the livestream of the 9.45 at St Peter's Church

<https://youtube.com/live/byJPvvl7K-M>

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:

Tuesday 7th April	2.00pm	Easter Messy Church St Peter's Church
Weds 8th April	9.00am	Morning Prayer – https://short-url.org/WedMorningPray
Thursday 9th April		'Thought for the Day' available from 8.30am via our website, YouTube and Facebook
	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/midweekchurchcoffee
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
Saturday 11th April	10.30am	LLADS at St Barnabas Centre

Sunday 12th April – 2nd of Easter

Acts 2.14a , 22–32 † 1 Peter 1.3–9 John 20.19–end

Sunday 12th April	9.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church
	9.45am	The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church
	11.30am	Morning Worship at St Peter's Church

To join the livestream of the 9.45 at St Peter's Church

<https://youtube.com/live/qjnGbCv5Jy8>

There is no morning or evening prayer on Mondays and Thursdays until Monday 20th April.

Our Prayers



Those in need John Massey, Mary Powell, Judith, Irene Flockhart, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham, Wendy Burrell, Tony Peacey, R. Bennett

The departed Frances Dawe, Hunter Bennett, Irene May Owsley, Madeline Ryan

Notices

Pastoral care - Revd 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.

Date & time for April:

Wednesday 8th 10.15am - 11.45am

Wednesday 22nd 10.15am - 11.45am

Wednesday 29th 10.15am - 11.45am

Venue

The Port, 3 The Precinct, Bristol BS20 6AH

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

New Home Group Starting After Easter - There is something deeply fulfilling about being with other members of the Church family, and it has a different feel to gathering as part of a Sunday Congregation. A Home Group is somewhere where people can belong, make friends, find support and grow as a disciple of Jesus.

A new group meeting on Tuesday evening twice a month is starting up soon. If that interests you, have a word with Tonya Tel 840016 or Gareth Evans on 07969 774942.

Volunteer Request: Help Needed for Martha's Kitchen Setup

Volunteers to assist with moving tables and setting up Martha's Kitchen at the Methodist Hall on **Monday 6th April at 5pm**. This task will involve carrying tables up a set of stairs and some heavy lifting, so we especially welcome anyone who feels able to help with the physical work.

Additionally, we will also need help on **Tuesday 14th April at 11.45am** to take the tables back down the stairs and clear the hall.

If you can help, please get in touch with Lindsay 07483932608 – pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk

Our prayer group specifically looking to discern God's will for the future of St Peter's Church building and to back up the teams working on estimates, faculties, vision and all the rest will next meet at **St Peter's, Monday 13th April 10am** for half an hour.

All welcome to join us. Further info Jennie McDuff 07536 103084

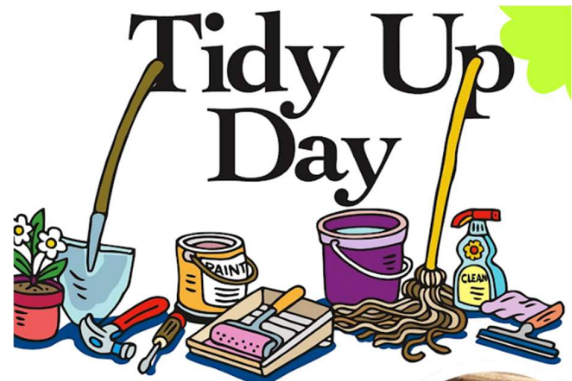
What's Your Legacy? Tuesday 14 April at St. Peter's Church 2-4pm

This is an opportunity to consider what the benefits of leaving a legacy might be, receive advice on making wills and setting up Powers of Attorney and the tax implications of a financial legacy. Our local funeral directors and clergy will be available to discuss planning a funeral, something we all need to consider.

We are very lucky to have a leading specialist in the field as our keynote speaker. Dr Paul Hutchinson is a professional in will writing, trusts, estate-planning and taxation. Please extend the invitation to friends and family as this promises to be an interesting and informative afternoon. Refreshments will be served at the start of the event.

St Peter's Church – community Morning Saturday 18th April - 10am–12pm

Join in a relaxed morning of tidying, crafting, and caring for our shared space. Whether you're sweeping, dusting, cutting out craft shapes, or pulling a few weeds, every bit helps keep St Peter's looking lovely. And of course, there'll be coffee, cake, and good conversation. Bring your duster, garden tools — and the family too!



Saturday 18th April

10 – 12

Cleaning - Gardening
Craft prep - Tidying
Tea coffee cake

ST PETERS CHURCH

Bring Gardening tools- inside cleaning equipment provided
All ages welcome



Tea and
Toast
served from
9.30

9:45 SPECIAL

Informal service with a spark of
creativity

Date: 19th April 2026

Time: 09:45

Location: St Peters Church
Portishead



9.45 Special at St Peter's Church Sunday 19th April

You're warmly invited to join a relaxed, creative service - hands-on fun for all ages, including a craft activity.

Tea and toast from 9:30 am
Service begins at 9:45 am

We'd love to see you there.

Visit to Portishead by our Archdeacon – Ven Charlie Peer – Sun 19th and Thurs 23rd April

As part of a regular pattern of visiting parishes from the Diocesan Senior Staff we will be welcoming Charlie Peer to our services on **Sun 19th April**. He will be with us again on **Thursday 23rd** to see some of the things that we are doing and to meet Church Officers – including an evening meeting with the PCC.

Annual Church Meeting (APCM) – 26th April 2026

The annual church meeting this year will be held on a Sunday morning. We hope this will make it easier for more people to attend and enabling it to take place within the context of a worship service.

We will share in a **United Service at 10.30**, featuring a shortened Communion, followed by refreshments at around 11.15. Attendees will have the chance to reflect on the past year, look ahead to future plans, participate in essential church business, including the election of new PCC and Deanery Synod members and have opportunity for questions. The meeting will end by 12.30. Everybody is encouraged to attend.

There will be no other parish services on Sunday 26th April.

St. Nicholas' church, Portishead
Saturday 25th April at 7.00pm

GRAND
CONCERT

showcasing our new digital piano
with
Paul and Rosemary Reid and friends
concert pianist **Helen Reid**
and soprano soloist Willow Baines

Enjoy instrumental and vocal solos, choral items from
our two vocal ensembles, and join in our popular
sing-a-long to round off a great evening

£10 at the door, including interval refreshments,
for church funds

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Saturday 25th April Grand Concert @7.00pm St Nicholas' Church

Saturday evening concert to welcome our new electronic piano to St Nicholas.

Guest Appearance by Helen Reid. All proceeds will go towards church funds. Further details will be announced shortly or contact Pearl Walker and Pauline Cooper.

Ticket price £10.00 which includes refreshments

Contemporary Ethics Forum: Monday, 27th April 7:30 - 9:30 pm St. Peter's Church

Topic: Human Genetic Manipulation - The Good, The Bad and The Ugly.

We are delighted to welcome Professor Keith Fox as our speaker for the next Ethics Forum. Keith is Emeritus Professor of Biochemistry, Southampton University and former Associate Director and then Director of The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge (2015-2021).

All are welcome. No tickets needed. Admission is free, but donations are welcome (*Suggested donation* £5). We also plan to livestream the forum to the church's YouTube channel:

<https://youtube.com/live/RkjuSPBH85Y>

Contact: David on 01275 840 245 or david.tyers@gmail.com for further information

Due to Annual Leave The Parish Office will be Closed from Tuesday 7th – Monday 13th April

Parish Calendar for Week Commencing 13th April

Monday 13th April	10.00am	Prayers – Looking to the Future – St Peter's Church
Tuesday 14th April	2.00pm	Legacies at St Peter's Church
	2.30pm	Bereavement Support Group at St Nicholas Church
Weds 15th April	9.00am	Morning Prayer – https://short-url.org/WedMorningPray
Thursday 16th April		'Thought for the Day' available from 8.30am via our website, YouTube and Facebook
	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/midweekchurchcoffee
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
Friday 17th April	6.00pm	Youth Group St Nicholas Church
Saturday 18th April	10.00am	St Peter's Church – Tidy Up

Sunday 19th April – 3rd of Easter

Acts 2.14a , 36–41 † 1 Peter 1.17–23 Luke 24.13–35

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

11.15 Cafe Church with the URC at St Nicholas' Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

6.00pm Evensong at St Peter's Church

Psalms 23 Isaiah 40.1–11 1 Peter 5.1–11

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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Pioneering Parishes is a fantastic resource to help our parishes become more outward-looking and to develop a culture of mission. Tina Hodgett and Greg Bakker are running a free taster day for Portishead Deanery. Come along and share this with others you know who might be interested in this. **Saturday 25th April 9.30am – 3.30pm in St Peter's Church Portishead.** Talk to Rob or Mark for more details

Please book via the QR Code on the flyer or here <https://short-url.org/pioneer>



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Discover how to create the right environment and energy, with the resources you already have, to engage a wider range of people.

Pioneering Parishes provides tools to help shift the energy of parish churches outward. Pioneering Parishes enables whole congregations to extend spiritual care into all the parish and engage a wider range of people. Come along to the taster day to find out more.

'Every parish wants to be more outward looking and this gives simple ways to be so.'

Revd Adam Beaumont



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Pioneering Parishes Taster Day for Portishead Deanery

Saturday 25 April 2026

9.30am – 3.30pm

St Peter's Church,
Church Road South,
Portishead, BS20 6PX

Book your place now
via the QR code



"[PP] did a lot of the heavy lifting for me... of just starting to get a culture shift to think missionally. And that had been a very slow, difficult process."



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