



Sunday 30th November - Advent Sunday

Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13: 11-end; Matthew 24: 36-44

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45am at St Peter's Church

with Pebbles and Youth Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

3pm Christingle at St Peter's Church

4pm Christingle at St Nicholas' Church

5pm Christingle at St Peter's Church

To join the 9.45am Live Stream,
please visit: <https://youtube.com/live/NVOXCdGv9F0>

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.

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Mon 1st December	7.15am	Mission Prayer - https://teams.live.com/meet/9399632380155?p=xI0GS1guFQs7vCocPK
	9.00pm	Contemplative Evening Prayer - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84609538552?pwd=kwc9diOCanmmaGpBWrVrb304TkIflm.1
Tues 2nd December	9.00am	Refresh Toddler Group at St Peter's Church
	2.30pm	Craft and Prayer at St Peter's Church
Weds 3rd December	9.00am	Morning Prayer via Zoom https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer
	1.00pm	Thanksgiving Service for Audrey Savory at St Peter's Church
Thurs 4th December	6.45am	Contemplative Morning prayer - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84759214937?pwd=4iTyAVJmcOtAd5zam1TLyjozq3YTUe.1
	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
Fri 5th December	10.30am	Table Talk at Portishead Library

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 Rachel in the office on 846230 / office@portisheadparish.co.uk

Next week's services:

Sunday 7th December

Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15: 4-13; Matthew 3: 1-12

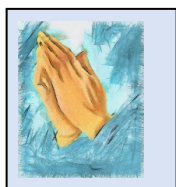
8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45am at St Peter's Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

Our Prayers



Those in need Eva Pickard, John Massey, Peter Finch, Mary Powell, Judith, Irene Flockhart, Charmaine Cornish, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham

The departed Margaret Carey, Audrey Savory

Christingle Services

Our Christingle Services will take place on Sunday 30th November. This is a wonderful way to step into Advent and look forward for Christmas for all ages. It is also a fantastic opportunity to raise money for the work of The Children's Society. Services are in St Peter's at 3.00pm and 5.00pm and St Nicholas' at 4.00pm. All are welcome.

Please join the Christingle Team as we make the Christingles ready for the Christingle Services. We'll be in the Lighthouse at St Nicholas' Church at 10.00am on Saturday 29th. Please join us. The more the merrier and the easier and more fun the job.

Church Office

The Church Office will reopen on Monday 1st December as Jess Cornes begins her role as Church Administrator.

The office opening hours will now be: **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00-12.30.**

Phone messages and emails will be picked up and responded to on Wednesdays but, initially at least, the office will not be open.

Christmas flyers!

Christmas is such a great opportunity to invite people to what we've got going on. We've got plenty of these flyers in both church buildings advertising our Christmas service. Grab a handful, spread some cheer, and invite your friends and neighbours to join us for a joyful celebration this Christmas!

You are warmly invited to come and celebrate Christmas
Services marked with a **smiley face** are particularly suitable for children

<i>St Peter's</i> <i>Church Road South, BS20 6PS</i>	<i>St Nicholas'</i> <i>Nore Road, BS20 8EN</i>
Sunday 30th November 😊 Christingle 3pm & 5pm	Sunday 30 November 😊 Christingle 4pm
Sunday 21st December 😊 The 9.45am Special Nativity Traditional Carol Service 6pm	Sunday 21st December 😊 Community Carol Service 5pm
Christmas Eve 😊 Crib Service* 2pm & 4pm Midnight Mass 11.15pm	Christmas Eve 😊 Crib Service* 3pm & 5pm
Christmas Day Holy Communion 8am 😊 Christmas Communion 10.30am	Christmas Day 😊 Christmas Communion 9.30am

Contact the church office on **01275 846230** or visit www.portisheadparish.co.uk for more info

*If you would like to bring a gift please consider an unwrapped present or a voucher for a major store

Heatree Weekend 8th – 10th May 2026

We're excited to be planning another fun and relaxed weekend away in 2026 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 (cooking and washing up!), gentle spiritual rhythms, and Messy Church-style worship. No pressure, just community and fun! The cost is £64 per adult, £44 per child with under 4s free. For further details you download the letter from our website: <https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/heatree-weekend-2026> - contact Mark for more information.

STAR TRAIL - HELP NEEDED

We would be grateful for HELP on Saturday 29th November to help sweep, move chairs etc to return the church to normal after Star Trail. Please come at 4.30pm if you are to help.

STAR TRAIL PUBLIC SESSION

All are welcome to visit the public session of Star Trail which will be held this year on Saturday 29th November from 10am-11.30am. We look forward to seeing you.



star Trail

Wednesday 26th Nov.
from 6.00pm Last entry 7.30pm.

Saturday 29th Nov
from 10.00am last entry 11.30am

at St. Peter's Church, Portishead

Start your Christmas season by following the Magi to the Stable in this multi-sensory experience.

Free entry. Suitable for all ages. No pre-booking, limited availability. Please allow at least 45 minutes to complete the Star Trail. Contact: 01275 846230 for information.

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



DECKING THE HALLS

SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER

FESTIVE FLORALS & GREENERY
10:00-12:00

FAMILY ALL-AGE CRAFT
11:00-12:00

COME ALONG TO DECORATE, TO CREATE, AND TO RETELL THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS—THROUGH FLOWERS, CRAFTS, AND COMMUNITY

Deck the Halls!

Decorate St. Peter's Church for Christmas with creativity, greenery, and some creative festive fun
Saturday 20th December

Festive florals & greenery: 10:00–12:00

Family all-age craft session: 11:00–12:00

Please bring greenery and flowers

Come along to decorate, to create, and to retell the story of Christmas—through flowers, crafts, and community

Everyone welcome—especially the curious, the creative, and the messy-hearted.

Mothers' Union is holding its annual Carols & Readings Service, on Thursday, 18 December 2025, at 2.30pm, at St Peter's Church. The service is open to everyone and there will be Mince Pies and tea to follow. Please join us, we would love to see you.

Advent Carol Service

All are welcome for an Advent Carol Service, Sunday 30th November, 6.30pm at Portishead Methodist Church.

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 December:

Weds 10th and 17th December

All 10.15am – 11.45am

Venue:

The Port, 3 The Precinct, BS20 6AH

Or you could contact her on 01275

840016 / 07341328682

Church Work Morning

St Peter's for a festive tidy-up and craft prep.

Saturday 13th December 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Bring your garden tools, your enthusiasm—and the kids too! We'll be cleaning, tidying, and also **prepping crafts for the Christmas services.**

Everyone welcome—every bit of help makes a difference!

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, 29th December.**

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.

Date & Time (Setup): Monday, 29th December 3pm

Location: Methodist Hall

Task: Moving tables upstairs and setting up Martha's Kitchen

Additionally, we will also need help on **Tuesday, 30th December at 12:00 pm** 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



Posset Singers are delighted to be returning to St Nicholas church for our Christmas concert, on Saturday Dec 13th, when we shall be raising funds for our nominated charity Portishead Christmas Lights.

This year, we shall premiere the Wishbone Carol composed by our musical director.

Church Office opening times Mon – Fri 9.00am – 12.00pm Tel: 01275 846230 Email: office@portisheadparish.co.uk	To make a donation to the church please use: 
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