

Sunday 10th August – Trinity 8

This week's readings are:

Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16; Luke 12.32-40

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church10.30am Summer Sunday Worship at St Peter's Church

To join the 10.30am Live Stream,

please visit: https://www.youtube.com/live/jCcFDA1Mi5U?feature=shared

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

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Mon 11 th August	7.15am	Mission Prayer - https://teams.live.com/meet/9399632380155?p=xl0G\$1guFQs7vCocPK
	10.00am	Summer Refresh in St Peter's Church & Millennium Gardens
	14.00pm	The funeral for the late Joyce Kerigan at St Peter's Church
Tues 12th August	2.30pm	Bereavement Support Group at St Nicholas' Church
Weds 13th August	9.00am	Morning Prayer via Zoom https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer
Thurs 14th August	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church

Please note that there will be no midweek Communion at 10.30am on Thursday 14th August. We do apologise for any inconvenience.

Sunday 17th August - Trinity 9

Hebrews 11.29-12.2; Luke 12.49-56

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
9.15am for 9.30am Café Church at St Nicholas' Church
10.30am Summer Sunday Worship at St Peter's Church
11.15am Café Church with The URC at St Nicholas' Church

Our Prayers



<u>Those in need</u> Paul Walker, Mary Powell, Celia, Judith, Art, Amy and Family, Irene Flockhart, Charmaine Cornish, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Margaret Carey, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham

<u>The departed</u> Joyce Kerigan, John Oakley, Hazel Burgess

The funeral service for John Oakley will take place on Monday 18th August, 12.45pm at St Peter's Church, all are welcome.

August Services: Please note that during August there will be a change to the pattern of services. Instead of the 9.45am and the 11.30am at St Peter's there will be a single service at 10.30am at St Peter's followed by a picnic. The services at St Nicholas' will remain unchanged.

A Prayer Vigil will be held at St Peter's Church on Friday 8th August, 5pm – 7pm. Do join us to pray for our fragile world in this time of crisis. There will be prayers to use if you wish and candles to light.

Monday Prayers: A small group meets regularly online on Monday morning. We would love it if you would join us. It's 15 minutes of 'free' prayer, no liturgy etc.. Typically, we pray for the parish, our country and our world. You only need to pray out loud if you feel inspired to do so. We have just moved to teams but you don't need that software on your computer, just the link https://teams.live.com/meet/9399632380155?p=xl0GS1guFQs7vCocPK. Any questions to Simon Stevens. Hope to see you soon.

St Nicholas' will be hosting the joint service on 31st August at 10.30am. Weather permitting we will follow with a picnic in the Glace. Should it rain we can use the Lighthouse. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

Church Treasurer: We are delighted that we have appointed Claire Aston as PCC Treasurer and Susan Whittaker as deputy. We are so grateful to them both for stepping up to this important role. Between them they bring a massive amount of experience, expertise and wisdom. Adrian Cocker will continue to support them through the summer as they pick up the reigns and we are very thankful to him for being willing to do this. Please pray for Claire and Susan, particularly in this initial period. It is a busy and complex role.

Lindsay: Lindsay's role of Assistant Curate will come to an end in January 2026. This is when her training post with us paid for by the Diocese is completed. We are working hard to secure grant funding to enable her to continue in the important and impactful ministry that she has been exercising, to vulnerable adults through Willow Gardens; to Families in need through Martha's Kitchen; and to us in the church. Please pray for this process and for Lindsay and Dave.

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.

Date & Time for August: Wednesday 6th 10.15am-11.45am

Wednesday 13th 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

VJ Day 2025, the 80th Anniversary – Friday 15th August 2025 – A time of quiet reflection in remembrance. In gratitude. In peace. A space to be, to reflect and to remember.

Where: The High Altar, St Peter's Church When: 10am-3pm

Organ Coffee Concert, Saturday 23rd August from 10.30am: Do come along to St Nicholas' Church to enjoy coffee or tea, cake and music, refreshments will be served in the café area from 10.30 until 11.00. This will be followed by an organ recital in church, given by Rosemary Reid. Many of you will know Rosemary, who has played for services in both our churches and given several concerts with her husband. The organ recital will last about 40 minutes and will include some firm favourites. For a donation of £5 (towards St Nicholas' new piano fund) you can enjoy coffee, cake, company and fine music. We hope to see many friends from both our churches. Please support this new venture. Many Thanks.

Summer Holidays – SEND Stay and Play – During the Summer holidays, Martha's Kitchen provide a free SEND Play and Stay breakfast. It's a safe and inclusive space for SEND children and their families, as well as a free breakfast for children and siblings. Martha's Kitchen aims to bring people together and provide a safe and empowering environment. You can join us EVERY

THURSDAY during the school holidays, 9.30am – 11.30am. For more information or to book your space, please call 01275 842461

Community Picnic at Willow Community Gardens – Sunday 24th August, 12pm.

Join us for a community picnic at Willow Community Gardens! There will be plenty of space to spread your picnic blanket and activities for children to enjoy. This is a free event with free cake, fruit, drinks and snacks provided for all. Please bring your own sandwiches or picnic food and a chair or blanket to sit on. If the weather is wet, we'll move to St Peter's Church. Willow Community Gardens is located behind Portishead Medical Centre, Portishead, BS20 6AQ, See you there!



Millennium Garden: Do you enjoy gardening? Would you like to help look after the Millennium Garden – one of the church's best loved assets? After 25 years looking after the Millennium Garden Jane Pagano has decided that she needs to step down from that role. We are looking for people who would like to help keeping the Garden looking beautiful. If this is something that interests you please chat to one of the Clergy or Churchwardens or contact Rachel in the office (office@portisheadparish.co.uk – 01275846230)

St Nicholas' Church noticeboard – DIY help needed. The weather and time have taken their toll! The noticeboard has recently had a new set of legs which should last another 20 years, but now the noticeboard itself needs some (minor) TLD including a repaint with Sadolin. The plywood back is beginning to delaminate/rot and needs over-covering with a sheet of marine ply or equivalent and there is some rot in a door which needs filling. We can deliver/collect the notice board so the work can be carried out at your pace and place. If you want to help contact John Neate on either 01275 849686 or mail@jdneate.plus.com

Vergers Needed: We are looking for individuals who could help as vergers for Funerals and Weddings within Portishead Parish. This is a paid role and you would receive training on how to do so. If this is something you are interested in, please contact Rachel in the Church office on 01275 846230 for more information.

Marthas' Kitchen – Children's Book Appeal! This summer, Martha's Kitchen is focusing on supporting families by encouraging a love of reading during the school holidays. We're asking for donations of new or gently used children's books to gift to local families. We're looking for books suitable for ages 0-14 years. If you can help, please drop your book donations at Lindsay's Porch – 8 Clevedon Road, BS20 6TA

Linsday Needs a Hand! The summer holidays are coming up fast, and we've got some fun things planned – Martha's Kitchen and Muddy Play Days! But to make it all happen, we could use a little extra help. No long-term commitment – just an extra pair of hands to move and set things up. **When & What we need help with:**

Wednesday 13th August, 20th and 27th – Muddy Play Days at Willow Community Gardens 1.00pm – Setup and 3.30/4.00pm – Pack-up – Help needed on these days to set up and take down.

Tuesday 26th August – At the Methodist Hall, 11,45am – Need help taking tables downstairs. If you can lend a hand, even just for one of these, that would be amazing! Thank you so much! Call/text 07483932608, email <u>pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk</u>

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SUMMER MUDDY PLAY



WEDNESDAY 6TH 13TH 20TH 27TH
AUGUST
2-4PM



WILLOW COMMUNITY GARDENS

BEHIND PORTISHEAD MEDICAL CENTRE,
PORTISHEAD BS20 6AQ (PLEASE DO NOT PARK
IN THE DOCTOR'S CAR PARK).



