

### Sunday 26th October - Bible Sunday

This week's readings are:

Isaiah 45.22-end; Romans 15.1-6; Luke 4.16-24

# 9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church9.45am The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

To join the 9.45am Live Stream,

please visit: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/live/6VlynUp0K5A?si=ZzF2dt0bPWjE45ju">https://www.youtube.com/live/6VlynUp0K5A?si=ZzF2dt0bPWjE45ju</a>

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 27 <sup>th</sup> October   | 7.15am  | Mission Prayer -  |
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|                                |         | https://teams.live.com/meet/9399632380155?p=xl0GS1guFQ  |
|                                |         | <u>s7vCocPK</u>   |
| Tues 28th October              | 10.30am | Lighthouse Carers Group at St Nicholas' Church  |
| Weds 29 <sup>th</sup> October  | 9.00am  | Morning Prayer via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer">https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer</a> |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> October | 10.30am | Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church  |
|                                | 10.40am | Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ">https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ</a>                        |
|                                | 2.00pm  | Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church  |
| Sat 1st November               | 10.00am | St Peter's Church Tidy Up Day   |

Please be aware that the Church Office will be closed the week commencing Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

Whilst we are in transition, there will be nobody covering the church office, but the clergy will be checking on emails and post during this time. You can still contact us via the <a href="mailto:office@portisheadparish.co.uk">office@portisheadparish.co.uk</a>, or by going directly to any of the clergy, details of which can be found at the bottom of the notice sheet.

Next week's services:

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – All Souls

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1.11-end; Luke 6.20-31

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church

9.30am Morning Worship at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45 at St Peter's Church

11.15am Morning Worship with The URC at St Nicholas' Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

4.30pm All Souls Service at St Peter's Church

#### Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> November   | 7.15am  | Mission Prayer -  |
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|                                |         | https://teams.live.com/meet/9399632380155?p=xl0GS1guFQ  |
|                                |         | <u>s7vCocPK</u>   |
|                                | 11.30am | Thanksgiving Service for the late Alan Longdon at St Peter's  |
|                                |         | Church  |
| Tues 4th November              | 9.00am  | Refresh Parent, Baby and Toddler Group at St Peter's  |
|                                |         | Church  |
| Weds 5 <sup>th</sup> November  | 9.00am  | Morning Prayer via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer">https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer</a> |
| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> November | 10.30am | Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church  |
|                                | 10.40am | Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom <a href="https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ">https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ</a>                        |
|                                | 2.00pm  | Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church  |
| Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> November   | 12.30pm | The Wedding of Jason Phillips and Jessie Watters at St  |
|                                |         | Peter's Church  |
| Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> November   | 10.30pm | LLaDs at St Barnabas Centre   |

Next week's services:

# Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday

Job 19.23-27a; 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5; Luke 20.27-38

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church
9.45am The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church
11.30am Remembrance Sunday Service at St Peter's Church
2.00pm The Gathering at St Peter's School

#### **Our Prayers**



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

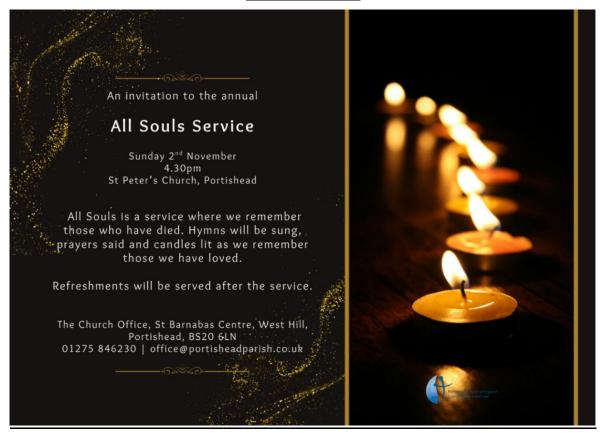
<u>The departed</u> Alan Longdon, Gillian Jones

We are really looking forward to welcoming Rob back from his Sabbatical on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Do pray for him as he settles back into life in the parish and do give him a little bit of time to find his feet as he readjusts.

#### Miss Alexandra Hilda Betty Ferriman

Betty celebrates her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October. We are all delighted that she will reach this milestone. She is in good health despite problems with her sight. – Andrew Curtis

#### **All Souls Service**



#### **November Church Tidy-Up**

Whether you're a dab hand with a duster, a whizz with a weeding fork, or simply enjoy good company and coffee, you would be very welcome to come along to the next church tidy-up.

Tidy-up at St Peter's: Saturday 1st November, 10am-12pm (and again on Saturday 13th December). Bring your garden tools, your enthusiasm – and the kids too! Every bit of help makes a difference.

#### Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November is Remembrance Sunday. We will be marking this in different ways in all our services. There will be a short Act of Remembrance by the memorial to the Nautical School boys who were killed in active service at St Nicholas' at 9.30am. At 10.45am Rob will be involved with the Royal British Legion in the Town Council Act of Remembrance in the High Street. At 11.30 we will have our own Remembrance Sunday Service in St Peter's Church when we will be joined by a number of guests, including our MP, Sadik Al-Hassan. Do join us. In recent years the church has not been full to capacity and there is room for all who would like to be there.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November is Armistice Day. Rob will be leading the Act of Remembrance with the Royal British Legion in Waitrose Piazza beginning just after 10.45am. Do join them for what is always a moving and powerful opportunity to pause and remember those who gave their lives for our freedom.

#### <u>Pastoral Care</u>

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 November:**

Weds 5<sup>th</sup>, Weds 19<sup>th</sup>, Weds 26<sup>th</sup>
All 10.15am – 11.45am

#### Venue:

The Port, 3 The Precinct, BS20 6AH

Or you could contact her on 01275 840016 / 07341328682

pastorportishead@outlook.com

#### **Fundraising Update**

Charity Abseil: The final total raised at the charity abseil was £9870, after expenses. Of this, 60% was donated to Christian Aid and 40% to the Clevedon District Foodbank. Thank you again to those brave enough to take part and to those who sponsored them and supported on the day. Auction of Promises: At the time of going to press the auction, held on 18 October, has raised approximately £2000 for the mission and ministry of our church here in Portishead. This is a fantastic result and will see various people stepping out of their comfort zones to paddleboard, sew, sail, sauna, birdwatch or more, but also to enjoy afternoon teas, meals out and even a caravan holiday! Many thanks for all the generous donations of time and experiences and for the support on the night.

#### **Gregory Steward Returns!**

Gregory Steward is returning to perform again at St Nicholas' Church on the 15<sup>th</sup> November, 3.00pm – 5.30pm.

Tickets cost just £12.00 and can be purchased from the Church Office or by contacting Kathryn Phillips on 07834097595.

Under 18's go free and refreshments will be provided.

#### 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: <a href="https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/heatree-weekend-2026">https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/heatree-weekend-2026</a> - contact Mark for more information.

#### **Fran Smettem**

Some of you will remember Fran, who was Children and Families worker here until she went to train for ordination in 2021. Fran has been serving her curacy in the Chew Valley and is delighted to announce that she has been appointed as Priest-in-Charge of Eyam with Foolow, Baslow, Curbar and Stoney Middleton in the Diocese of Derby from March 2026, subject to the usual legal and safeguarding checks.

| Church Office opening times Mon – Fri 9.00am – 12.00pm              | To make a donation to the church |
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