



# The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick Sunday, 13 November, 2022 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

#### **SERVICE SHEET, BULLETIN & DIARY**

The 1030 Service will be live-streamed and available to view on our YouTube channel.

You can join in live at 1030 or catch up later in the day or week.

Please use this sheet in conjunction with the service booklet provided.

Please leave the service booklet, but do remember to take this sheet and bulletin home with you when you leave and recycle when you have finished with it.

#### THE COLLECT

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **FIRST READING**

Malachi 4.1-2a

A reading from the Book of Malachi

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

For the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **SECOND READING**

2 Thessalonians 3.6-13

A reading from the Second Letter to the Thessalonians

We command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work

should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

#### THE GOSPEL

Luke 21.5-19

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.'

They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And Jesus said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them.

When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

If you need any help in accessing any of the online features mentioned in the service sheet or bulletin, please do not hesitate to contact the office or Canon Claire Lording for support.



## PERSHORE BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY 13 NOVEMBER 2022

#### As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

Worship God

Welcome All

Reach out to the world

#### **Vicar: Canon Claire Lording**

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#### BENEFICE OFFICE OPENING HOURS

TUESDAY - THURSDAY 1100 - 1200 ONLY (excluding Bank Holidays)

The office staff will also be available to answer enquiries by phone or email on weekday mornings from **0930 –1300** 

Please email your enquiry to <u>office@pershoreabbey.org.uk</u> or leave a message on 01386 552071 and they will get back to you as soon as they can.

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

### WE PRAY FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY WAR AND WHO CONTINUE TO BE AFFECTED BY CONFLICT

We pray for those whose weddings, blessings and baptisms are taking place and for all those who are making new plans to celebrate these special life events.

We pray for all those welcoming new life into their families.

We pray for those in need.

We pray for those who have died and for their families and friends.

We pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs in the coming week

#### This service is being live streamed to the Abbey's YouTube Channel

To find the recording please visit

www.youtube.com and search for Pershore Abbey Community
Pershore Abbey Community on YouTube

If you have any queries or concerns please do speak to a sidesperson or churchwarden

#### **COMMUNION REMINDER:**

It is still perfectly proper to take communion in one kind only but we do also offer the chalice. However, intinction (the dipping of the bread into the wine) will not be permitted. Also, it would help those administering the chalice if you could hold the base of the chalice when taking the wine. Thank you.

#### **BULLETIN NOTICES**

(please see the November Bulletin for more details and further news)

<u>2022 REMEMBRANCE SERVICES IN THE PERSHORE BENEFICE</u>: We look forward to inviting you to share in our Remembrance Services across the Pershore Benefice this November. Our remaining services will take place on the following days:

- PERSHORE ABBEY 1040 13 NOVEMBER
- ST NICHOLAS', PINVIN 1030 13 NOVEMBER
- ST MARY'S, WICK 1500 13 NOVEMBER

WHOLENESS AND HEALING SERVICE 13 NOVEMBER 1700 PERSHORE ABBEY: Our Wholeness and Healing Service takes place on Sunday evening in Pershore Abbey. Don't forget, we also offer the opportunity to receive the ministry of healing prayers with two of the Wholeness & Healing team in the St John Chapel after communion has been received at every 3rd Sunday 1030 Eucharist.



<u>CAFÉ CHURCH:</u> A quick reminder that our Café Church service is on the third Sunday this month due to our Remembrance Day service.

**NEXT SERVICE: SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER** 

**0945 ST ANDREW'S CENTRE** 

Come and join in with our family friendly and informal café-style worship as we meet in St Andrew's for worship, music and refreshments. **All Welcome** 

<u>ABBEY SHOEBOX SUNDAY</u>: We would like to say a very big 'Thank you' to everyone who donated lots of essential items, including knitting, and kindly gave monetary contributions towards our Shoeboxes for this year. We had a wonderful team of volunteers who helped pack all the shoeboxes and with your generosity, we are able to send them to those who need them most. *Suzanne* 

ABBEY OFFICE CLOSURE: Due to essential lighting maintenance work, the Pershore Abbey & Benefice Office will be closed on Monday 14 November for 1 day. Whilst the office is closed, we will be working from home, and will be available to answer all emails during our normal office hours. *Elizabeth and Gail* 

<u>ADVENT COMPLINE BY ZOOM MONDAYS IN ADVENT AT 1900</u>: Please join us for this quiet and reflective service as we prepare for our Christmas celebrations. Once again we will be meeting on Zoom from the comfort of our own homes for this 20 minute service which will enable us all to pause and reflect on our Advent journeys. Join us live at 1900 on 28 November, 5 December, 12 December and 19 December.

If you would like to be part of this service, please email me at <a href="mailto:vicar@pershoreabbey.org.uk">vicar@pershoreabbey.org.uk</a> for the Zoom link and a copy of the order of service. Claire



PERSHORE ABBEY LIT UP TO MARK WORLD PANCREATIC CANCER DAY: 'Purple lights for pancreatic cancer' is an annual campaign in the U.K. during November's Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month and this year Pershore Abbey will be illuminated in purple for World Pancreatic Cancer Day on 17 November 2022. Find out more here: www.pancreaticcancer.org.uk/get-involved

#### **VACANCIES**

#### A NEW CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORKER FOR THE ABBEY:

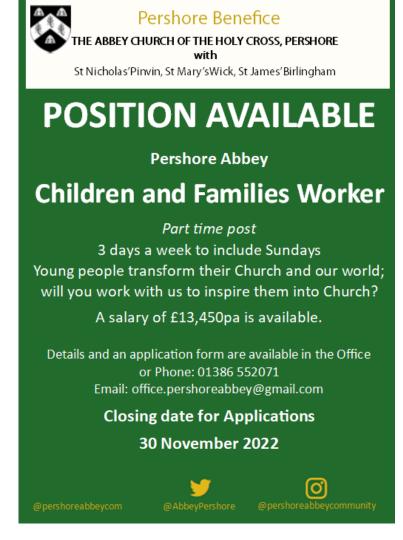
Following the news that we have secured funding for a new children and families worker for the Abbey to help us in developing our mission to children, young people, and families, we are pleased to announce that the role is now open for applications.

Our role is now live on the Worcester Diocese website. You can read more about the job and download a full description and person specification at:

## https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/children-and-families-worker.php

You can also complete an online application form following this link. The closing date for applications is **30 November 2022**.

Please do share news of this role and help us to further our commitment to young people and their families.



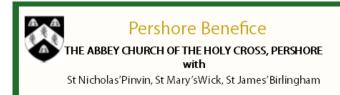
#### **VACANCIES CONT.**

We are still urgently looking to recruit an Events Co-ordinator to our team to help with the smooth running of our busy concert and event programme.

We have been very fortunate over the last number of years to have had the services of Roger Batty MBE as our Events Coordinator.

Roger has been a huge asset to the Pershore Abbey Team developing the role of Events Coordinator and working hard to improve and maintain our relationship with hirers in both Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's.

Roger is off to pastures new to be closer to his family and we are now urgently looking for someone to take on the role to ensure a smooth handover and to assist in the planning and delivery of our Organ Festival in April 2023.



#### POSITION AVAILABLE

Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's Centre

#### **Events Coordinator**

We need an active and energetic person to help us with all our events held at both
Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's Centre.
Many of our events are on Saturdays with some on other weekday evenings.

An allowance of £3,000pa is available.

Details and an application form are available in the Office or Phone: 01386 552071

Email: office.pershoreabbey@gmail.com

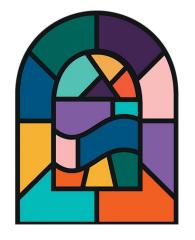
Closing date for Applications
14 November 2022

We wish Roger and his wife Sue all the best in their new home and look forward to welcoming a new member to the team. *Claire* 

#### **LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH**

Some of you will be aware, or will have read in the news, that Bishops John and Martin have written to all clergy setting out their views on same sex marriage in church following the Living in Love and Faith Process.

You will remember that as a Benefice we ran our own Living in Love and Faith course earlier this year, which explored questions about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage within the bigger picture of the good news of Jesus Christ.



Bishops John and Martin have written to the clergy in the interest of transparency to make their own beliefs and hopes plain regarding the celebration and recognition of same sex relations by the Church of England.

The full text of their letter can be found on the Diocesan website at:

https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/living-in-love-and-faith--a-letter-from-our-bishops.php

#### PIPE DREAMS UPDATE - A NEW ORGAN FOR PERSHORE ABBEY

The main works remaining are the installation process and associated scaffolding. Based on the timings required by Ruffatti, and to ensure completion by Easter 2023, an intensive programme of work is planned. One of the main considerations for the installation process has been to provide a balance between the Abbey continuing to be functional and the scaffolding installation. It is a high priority to limit the disturbance to the Abbey so that normal life, so far as is possible, can continue once the scaffolding has been installed.

There are six stages to the installation process:

- 1. The erection of the complex scaffolding structure to provide access to the triforium due to commence on 9 January 2023. The scaffolding erection will take some 10 days.
- 2. The arrival of the organ by lorry and the transporting of the organ parts from container to the South Transept of the Abbey for temporary storage. This will take a day and will be supervised by Ruffatti.
- **3.** The installation of the organ and console which will take about 5 weeks.
- **4.** The removal of the scaffolding in preparation of the voicing which will take about 5 days.
- 5. The voicing of the organ. Voicing is an extremely specialist task that involves the fine tuning of the organ pipes to provide optimal tonal quality and will require complete silence in the Abbey. It will be necessary to completely close the Abbey during this final and most sensitive part of the organ installation which takes 4-5 weeks. The voicing process will be overseen by Matthew Martin our organ adviser.
- **6.** Final checks and testing for approval.
  - The whole installation process has been overseen by Robert Kilgour, Abbey Architect, Clive Haywood, Abbey Structural Engineer, and Matthew Martin, Abbey Organ Advisor. When they and the PCC are content with all aspects of the installation, the organ will be formally handed over to the Abbey. Plans are in hand to arrange an Organ Festival between 20 and 23 April 2023 to celebrate the wonderful benefits that this new, powerful, and versatile instrument will bring to the Abbey congregation and the wider community for generations to come.

We plan to keep the East end of the Abbey open for prayer and quiet reflection when possible, during the actual installation process, but this will not be possible during the scaffold erection/removal or voicing activities. We ask regular users and visitors to the Abbey to bear with us during these periods of restricted access and inconvenience.

The PCC is most grateful for the financial support provided especially by the Friends of Pershore Abbey and those members of the congregation and wider community who have made donations towards the organ pipes. This project would not have been possible without this most generous support.

A more detailed copy of this report, together with some images, is available on the Pershore Abbey Organ Noticeboard

#### **ABBEY & BENEFICE DIARY**

Canon Claire's usual day off is Friday. Claire will not be available for commitments on this day. If you have an enquiry, she will get back to you as soon as she can.

#### **Sunday 13 November - Remembrance Sunday**

Abbey lit up red for Remembrance Weekend

08:00 Eucharist (Pershore Abbey)

10:30 Remembrance Sunday Service (St Nicholas', Pinvin)

10:40 Remembrance Sunday with LIVESTREAM (Pershore Abbey)

15:00 Remembrance Sunday Service (St Mary's, Wick)

17:00 Wholeness & Healing Service (Pershore Abbey)

#### **PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES:**

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be pointing maintenance and repair work taking place in the North East of the Abbey throughout the week

#### **Monday 14 November**

ALL DAY—Abbey Office Closure

09:30 DAWN Support (St Andrew's Upper)

10:00 Funeral for the Late Rosemary Morris

(St Nicholas', Pinvin)

13:00 Craft & Chat (St Andrew's Main)

13:30 Me, You and a Brew (St Andrew's Upper)

18:30 Bell Ringing Practice (Pershore Abbey)

18:45 Evening Craft Session (St Andrew's Upper)

19:00 Pershore Community Choir

(St Andrew's Main)

#### **Tuesday 15 November**

11:00 CTIP Foodbank (St Andrew's Main)

19:15 Private Meeting (St Andrew's Upper)

#### Wednesday 16 November

AM only—Lighting Engineers (Pershore Abbey)

11:00 Lunch Club (St Andrew's Main)

15:00 U3A Singers (St Andrew's Main)

15:45 V&W (Choir Vestry)

19:00 Pershore Town Choir (Pershore Abbey)

19:00 Vale Harmony (St Andrew's Main)

#### Thursday 17 November

Abbey lit up Purple in Aid of Pancreatic Cancer

18:00 Choir Practice (Pershore Abbey)

#### Friday 18 November

09:00 DAWN Sessions (St Andrew's Upper)

09:30 Babies & Toddlers (St Andrew's Main)

11:30 Burial of Ashes of the late

Frederica Nicholls (St Mary's, Wick)

13:00 CTIP Foodbank (St Andrew's Main)

19:00 Tree Study Course (Private Residence)

20:00 Let's Dance (St Andrew's Main)

#### **Saturday 19 November**

10:00 Craft Fair (St Andrew's Main)

16:00 Concert Use (St Andrew's Main)

19:30 Pershore Choral Concert (Pershore Abbey)

#### Sunday 20 November - Christ the King

08:00 Eucharist (Pershore Abbey)

09:45 Café Church (St Andrew's Main)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with Traidcraft Stall

LIVESTREAM (Pershore Abbey)

10:30 Holy Communion (St James', Birlingham)

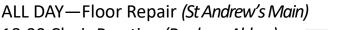
10:30 Sunday Praise (St Nicholas', Pinvin)

12:30 Service of Holy Baptism (Pershore Abbey)

14:00 Pianoscapes (St Andrew's Main)

14:30 Service of Holy Baptism (Pershore Abbey)

16:30 Private Party (St Andrew's Main)







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