



PERSHORE BENEFICE
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick
Sunday, 04 June 2023
TRINITY 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.

Congratulations to John and Jean Andrews who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 1st June! What an inspiration they are. They have kindly provided cake for us all to share after the 1030 Sung Eucharist service at the Abbey.



THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-31

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord

shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13.11-13

A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters, put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you . **Amen**

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 28.16-20

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever . **Amen.**

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

To find the recording visit www.youtube.com and search for **Pershore Abbey Community**

[Pershore Abbey Community on YouTube](#)

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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.



HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 276

NICAEA

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee
perfect in power, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

[Reginald Heber (1783-1826)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 272

STUTTGART

1. Father, Lord of earth and heaven,
King to whom all gifts belong,
Give your greatest gift, your Spirit,
God the Holy, God the strong.
2. Son of God, enthroned in glory,
Send your promised gift of grace;
Make your Church your holy temple,
God the Spirit's dwelling-place.
3. Spirit come in peace descending
As at Jordan, heavenly dove;
Seal your Church as God's anointed,
Set our hearts on fire with love.
4. Stay among us, God the Father,
Stay among us, God the Son
Stay among us, Holy Spirit:
Dwell within us, make us one.

[James Quinn, SJ (1919-2010)]

THIRD HYMN**A&M 268****KINGSFOLD**

1. Affirm anew the three-fold name
of Father, Spirit, Son,
our God whose saving acts proclaim
a world's salvation won.
In him alone we live and move
and breath and being find,
the wayward children of his love
who cares for humankind.

3. Confirm our faith in this our day
amid earth's shifting sand,
with Christ as Life and Truth and Way,
a Rock on which to stand;
the one eternal Son and Lord
by God the Father given,
the true and life-imparting Word,
the Way that leads to heaven.

2. Declare in all the earth his grace,
to every heart his call,
the living Lord of time and place
whose love embraces all.
So shall his endless praise be sung,
his teaching truly heard,
and every culture, every tongue,
receive his timeless word.

4. Renew once more the ancient fire,
let love our hearts inflame;
renew, restore, unite, inspire
the Church that bears your name;
one name exalted over all,
one Father, Spirit, Son,
O grant us grace to heed your call
and in that name be one.

[Timothy Dudley Smith (b.1926)]

COMMUNION MOTET

If ye love me -Tallis

*Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir***COMMUNION HYMN****A&M 437****PASTOR PASTORUM**

1. 'Come to me', says Jesus,
'all who are distressed;
take my yoke upon you,
I will give you rest.

2. I am meek and humble,
find, with me, release
from false airs and graces;
come, and be at peace.'

4. Here, where bread is broken,
here, where wine is poured,
thankfully receive him,
find your faith restored.

3. Hear the call of Jesus,
come, be deeply blessed;
his the invitation,
you the honoured guest.

5. Pardon, feed and heal us,
humble, courteous Lord,
gracious host, for ever
honoured and adored.

1. Father, Lord of all creation,
 ground of being, life and love;
 height and depth beyond description
 only life in you can prove:
 you are mortal life's dependence:
 thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
 yours is every hour's existence,
 sovereign Lord of time and space.

2. Jesus Christ, the Man for others,
 we, your people, make our prayer:
 help us love – as sisters, brothers –
 all whose burdens we can share.
 where your name binds us together
 you, Lord Christ, will surely be;
 where no selfishness can sever
 there your love the world may see.

3. Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
 wind and flame of Pentecost,
 Fire our hearts afresh with yearning
 To regain what we have lost.
 May your love unite our action,
 Nevermore to speak alone:
 God, in us abolish faction,
 God, through us your love make known.

[Stewart Cross (1928-1989)]

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- Worship God
- Welcome All
- Reach out to the world

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 01386 552071 and they will get back to you as soon as they can.***

PERSHORE ABBEY & BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

04 JUNE 2023

PLEASE PRAY FOR

WE PRAY FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY WAR AND WHO CONTINUE TO BE AFFECTED BY CONFLICT OR DISASTER, ESPECIALLY IN SUDAN.

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.

MINISTRY NEWS

PLEASE SEE JUNE MONTHLY EDITION FOR MORE NEWS AND INFORMATION

EVENSONG PERSHORE ABBEY 1700 4 JUNE: Do join us for this evening service which takes place on the first Sunday of the month.

CAFÉ CHURCH ST ANDREW'S 11 JUNE 0945: Come and join in with our family friendly and informal café-style worship in St Andrew's with songs, a talk, prayers, tea and toast!

WHOLENESS & HEALING SERVICE PERSHORE ABBEY 11 JUNE 1700: Join us for our regular Wholeness & Healing service and don't forget, you can also 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.

BUS SIGN UP SHEET TO JAYNE PARKER'S ORDINATION ON 2 JULY NOW AVAILABE: We hope that as many of you as possible will join with the congregation at Worcester Cathedral on **2 July** to support and celebrate with Jayne as she is ordained deacon. Sign up sheets are now available at the back of the Abbey and village churches or alternatively, sign up at office@pershoreabbey.org.uk.

ORDINATION LUNCH: Jayne is inviting everyone to share in a buffet lunch after her ordination on **2 July**. The lunch will be held at Pershore Abbey. More details will follow but it would be helpful if you could let the office know, no later than **22 June**, if you would like to join the lunch. *Claire*

THANK YOU FROM JOHN WILDERSPIN: John would like to say a big thank you for his very generous gift and cake. He has enjoyed his time at Pershore Abbey enormously and would like to wish all the best to everyone. We were thrilled to be able to present him with £450 raised through your generous and heartfelt contributions.

PERSHORE CARNIVAL: A marvellous time was had by all at Pershore Carnival with Pershore Abbey's Walking Float once again taking the title. The Carnival Teas were well supported and huge thanks go to all of those who baked and helped to supply visitors with refreshment and a warm welcome.

PERSHORE ABBEY CARNIVAL TEAS: A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone for helping to make the Carnival Teas at St Andrew's such a great success. Our bakers made a wonderful selection of cakes, a great team helped to set up, clear away and serve refreshments throughout the event, and we received generous donations in lieu of cakes. A total of **£850** was raised for St Andrew's Centre. *Sara Speed (for Pershore Abbey and St Andrew's Social Committee)*

CANON NEWS: You may remember that last March I was collated as a Canon of Worcester Cathedral. This was when the Bishop read out a legal document making me a Canon. However, I was unable to be placed in my stall (the Installation bit) because the Cathedral was in the middle of repairing the part of the Cathedral where the stalls are located. The repairs are now finished and I, along with two other Canons, will be formally installed as a Canon on 14th June at 1730 Evensong. Everyone is very welcome to attend. *Claire*

MEMORIAL GATHERING FOR THE LATE JENNIFER MORGAN 18 JUNE ST ANDREW'S CENTRE: The family of the late Jennifer Morgan, a former member of the Abbey congregation and community who passed away in March 2023, have organised a tea party in St Andrew's on **Sunday 18 June** at **1500** to celebrate Jennifer's life and share memories with her friends in Pershore. If you would like to join in this celebration with Jennifer's family and friends, please RSVP to Helen Matthews via the office. The family are very much looking forward to all those who knew Jennifer coming along.

ABBAY LINK VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED: The new issue of the Abbey magazine is now out but due to retirements and ill health etc., we are still in need of new deliverers on a permanent basis. The roads we need them for are as follows:-

- Hurst Road 1-28 (32 copies) • Station Road 25-51 (odds) & 50-88 (evens) (34 copies)
- Searle Close (all) (5 copies) • Desjardins Way 49-83 (odds) & 46-60 (evens) (26 copies)

Delivery takes place only four times a year, and if anyone feels they could lend a hand please contact the Abbey Office on 01386 552071 or Roger Piper.



GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK FATHER'S DAY WICK WALK SUNDAY 18 JUNE

AT 1430: Bill Newman will lead a walk around the paths through farmland around Wick in our Great Big Green Week Father's Day Walk. Bill is an experienced farmer with insights to share. Please meet outside Wick Parish church (St. Mary's WR10 3NZ). On the road parking is invariably available on the St. Mary's side of the main street.

The walk is flat, road and tracks, no stiles and under an hour's walking. For more details see Bill or David Oldham or email ecochurch@pershoreabbey.org.uk

LETTERS TO TOMORROW **BE PART OF THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK AND WRITE A LETTER TO TOMORROW:** Letters to Tomorrow is a project to explain your hopes for future generations if our leaders step up to protect the environment – and your fears about what life could be like if we don't slow down climate change. Your letter could be to your friend, child or even your future self. Please consider sending it to your MP as well. Visit www.letterstotomorrow.com to find out more and submit your letter now!

MORE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK NEWS NEXT WEEK!

ABBAY & BENEFICE DIARY

Canon Claire's usual day off is Friday. Claire will not be available for commitments on this day.

Sunday 4 June - Trinity Sunday

08:00 BCP Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with *Traidcraft* and
with *LIVESTREAM* (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Holy Communion (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)

16:00 Evensong Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

17:00 Evensong (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES TO TAKE PLACE IN CHOIR VESTRY

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 05 June

14:30 U3A History Group (*St Andrew's Main*)

18:30 Bell Ringing private practice
(*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Pershore Community Choir
(*St Andrew's Main*)

19:30 Bell Ringing practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

Tuesday 06 June

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

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

Wednesday 07 June

11:00 Funeral Service for the late
Horace Hewitt (*St James', Birlingham*)

11:30 Lunch Club (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

15:45 V&W (*Vicar's Vestry*)

18:15 Cub Group Visit (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

19:30 Friends of St Mary's Wick AGM (*Wick*)

Thursday 08 June

11:00 Pershore U3A Event (*St Andrew's Main*)

19:00 Craft Happy Sea Glass Workshop
(*St Andrew's Main*)

Friday 09 June

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

10:30 Vale Pianos Piano Tuning
(*Pershore Abbey*)

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

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

*Pershore Abbey lit in support of Batten
Disease Awareness Day*

Saturday 10 June

12:15 Concert Use (*St Andrew's Main*)

14:30 Worcester Philharmonic Orchestra
Concert (*Pershore Abbey*)

Sunday 11 June - Barnabas

08:00 BCP Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:45 Café Church (*St Andrew's*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with *MU Presentations*
Traidcraft Stall with LIVESTREAM
(*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Morning Praise (*St Mary's, Wick*)

17:00 Wholeness & Healing (*Pershore Abbey*)



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