



PERSHORE BENEFICE

**The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick**

Sunday, 05 November 2023

All Saints' Day

SERVICE SHEET, BULLETIN & DIARY

The 1030 Service from the Abbey will be live-streamed and available to view on our YouTube channel. To find the recording visit www.youtube.com and search for

Pershore Abbey Community [Pershore Abbey Community on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)

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

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

Please take this sheet home with you and recycle when you have finished with it.

In Celebration of Judy Dale's 80th Birthday which was on Monday 30 October, there will be cake provided after the 1030 service. Please join us in wishing Judy a very Happy Birthday.



THE COLLECT

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,.
Amen.

FIRST READING

Revelation 7.9-17

A reading from the book of Revelations.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is

seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

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

SECOND READING **1 John 3.1-3**

A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 5.1-12**

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**If you would like to receive a gluten-free host during communion
please let a sidesperson know**

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HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 603

LAUS DEO (REDHEAD NO.46)

1 Bright the vision that delighted
once the sight of Judah's seer;
sweet the countless tongues united
to entrance the prophet's ear.

4 Heaven is still with glory ringing,
earth takes up the angels' cry,
'Holy, holy, holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

2 Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled his temple, and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:

5 With his seraph train before him,
with his holy church below,
thus unite we to adore him,
bid we thus our anthem flow:

3 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

6 'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy, Lord.'

[Richard Mant (1776-1848)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 308

HANNOVER

- 1 Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.
- 2 Some march with events to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
our world is their parish: their purpose is God.
- 3 Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:
they shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares:
what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!
- 4 Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
In loving, in living, they prove it is true:
the way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

[Fred Pratt Gren (1903-2000)]

THIRD HYMN**A&M 312****LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
raise the glad strain, *Alleluia*.
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 2 O higher than the Cherubim,
more glorious than the Seraphim,
lead their praises, *Alleluia*.
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluia, alleluia.
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
all Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, alleluia.
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[John Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)]

COMMUNION MOTET

Ave verum corpus – Elgar

Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir

Jesus, Word of God Incarnate,
of the Virgin Mary born,
on the cross thy sacred body
for us men with nails was torn. *(repeated)*

Cleanse us, by the blood and water
streaming from thy pierced side;
feed us with thy body broken,
now, and in death's agony! *(repeated)*

O Jesu, O Jesu, hear us, Son of Mary.

COMMUNION HYMN**A&M 300****LOVE UNKNOWN**

- 1 Glory to you, O God,
for all thy saints in light,
who nobly waged and won
the fierce and well-fought fight.
Their praises sing,
who life outpoured
by fire and sword
for Christ their King.

Cont.

2 Thanks be to you, O Lord,
for saints your Spirit stirred
in humble paths to live
your life and speak your word.
Unnumbered they
whose shining light
informs our sight
from day to day.

3 Lord God of truth and love,
'Your kingdom come', we pray;
give us your grace to know
your truth and walk your way;
Your will be done
here on this earth,
till saints in earth
and heaven are one.

[Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983)]

FINAL HYMN

A&M 296

SINE NOMINE

- 1 For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluia.*
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, still their one true light. *Alleluia.*
- 3 O blest communion, fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. *Alleluia.*
- 4 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest:
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. *Alleluia.*
- 5 But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way. *Alleluia.*
- 6 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost *Alleluia.*

[William Walsham How (1823-1867)]

Voluntary—Prelude and fugue in d minor - Mendelssohn

PERSHORE ABBEY & BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

05 NOVEMBER 2023

As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

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

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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 office@pershoreabbey.org.uk 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 THOSE WHO LIVE IN THE MIDST OF CONFLICT TODAY, PRAYING
ESPECIALLY FOR ALL PEOPLES OF THE HOLY LAND. WE PRAY FOR LASTING PEACE.**

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.

PERSHORE ABBEY BULLETIN NOTICES

MINISTRY NEWS

ABBEY BOILER: Please bear with us whilst repairs are carried out to the Abbey boiler. Those attending services are encouraged to wear warm clothes!

SHOEBOX SUNDAY AT THE ABBEY: On **Sunday 05 November**, we will be holding our annual Shoebox Sunday. All children and families are very welcome to come along at **1030** to **St Andrew's** to help pack the boxes. We will be supporting Teams4U again this year. It costs £3 to send each box - if you would like to contribute to this, please give any monetary gifts in an envelope to Suzanne Clarke. *Thank you, Suzanne.*

ABBEY LINK MAGAZINE: Volunteers are urgently needed to deliver the Abbey Link Magazine in the following areas:

- ~ High Street. Church Street to Head Street (Town Hall side) ~ Skylark Drive
- ~ High Street. Cherry Orchard to Bridge Street (Tesco side) ~ Goldfinch Rise
- ~ Old Music Hall & Lower Priest Lane flats (school side) ~ Kingfisher Fields
- ~ St Agatha's Court, Close and Mews ~ Mayfield Road (both sides)

Deliveries take place only 4 times a year. If anyone feels they could help, please contact the Abbey Office on 01386 552071 or Roger Piper on 01386 553110.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE 03 DECEMBER 1500 PERSHORE ABBEY—READERS REQUIRED!

Our Advent Carol service takes place on Sunday 03 December and will feature the Pershore Abbey Choir under the direction of Paul Trepte. I am looking for readers to take part in this service, so if you are interested please contact me as soon as possible via email on vicar@pershoreabbey.org.uk or speak to me after the service on Sunday. *Claire*

Pershore Benefice
ALL SOULS' SERVICE

SUNDAY 05 NOVEMBER
17:00
Pershore Abbey

A time to remember those we love
but no longer see

This service will be live streamed on the
Pershore Abbey YouTube Channel

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Pershore Abbey
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
Lest we forget

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER
10:40 Remembrance Service

This service will also be live-streamed on YouTube at
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NOVEMBER
MONTHLY BULLETIN
FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION AND
NOTICES**

CHRISTIAN AID'S APPEAL FOR HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE:

Donations for humanitarian relief in Palestine/Israel can be made here:

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/middle-east-crisis-appeal>



ABBEY & BENEFICE DIARY

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

Sunday 05 November - All Saints' Day

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Eucharist with Traidcraft Stall & *LIVESTREAM* (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

14:00 Pianoscapes (*St Andrew's Main*)

16:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

17:00 All Souls' Service (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 06 November

All Day Floodlighting Engineers

(*Pershore Abbey*)

09:30 Yoga Class (*St Andrew's Upper*)

10:30 Pinvin First School Visit to Church

(*St Nicholas, Pinvin*)

14:30 Pershore U3A History Group

(*St Andrew's Main*)

18:30 Bell Ringing Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Pershore Community Choir

(*St Andrew's Main*)

Tuesday 07 November

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

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

Wednesday 08 November

13:00 Bring your Own Craft & Chat

(*St Andrew's Main*)

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

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

Thursday 09 November

09:15 Flower Guild—Remembrance flowers

(*Pershore Abbey*)

09:45 I-sing Choir Rehearsals (*St Andrew's Main*)

11:00 Eucharist (*Roland Rutter Court*)

13:00 Funeral Service for the Late

Maggie Payne (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:00 Remembrance Service Rehearsal

(*Pershore Abbey*)

18:15 Sea Glass Christmas Craft Evening

(*St Andrew's Main*)

Friday 10 November

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

10:30 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

15:00 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 PODYS Fundraiser (*St Andrew's Main*)

Saturday 11 November

10:45 Armistice Service (*St James', Birlingham*)

12:45 Concert Use (*St Andrew's Main*)

14:30 Worcester Philharmonic Orchestra

Concert (*Pershore Abbey*)

Sunday 12 November - Remembrance Sunday

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Remembrance Service

(*St Nicholas, Pinvin*)

10:40 Remembrance Service

with *LIVESTREAM* (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

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



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