



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

Welcome to Pershore Abbey Sunday 13 September - Holy Cross

This is your Service Sheet, Bulletin and Diary. Please use this sheet in conjunction with the service booklet provided. Large print copies are available from the welcomers.

The 1030 Service from the Abbey will be livestreamed and available to view on our YouTube channel: [Pershore Abbey Community](#)

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

— Service Sheet —



The Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



First Reading

Philippians 2.6-11

A reading from the Letter to the Philippians

Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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



The Gospel

John 3.13-17

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have

eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

Praise to you, O Christ.



Prayers

We pray for Penny Gordon as she prepares for ordination as a deacon on 27 September 2026 at St Mary's, Wick.

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.



Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

— Bulletin —

Abbey All Age Harvest Eucharist: Our Harvest services enable us to give thanks for what we receive from God and give thanks for all who work in the farming community. Please bring non-perishable food donations for Pershore Foodbank along to the Abbey All Age Harvest service at 1030 on Sunday 4 October.

The Harvest Lunch on Sunday 4th October at 12.30pm—The tickets will be on sale from this weekend please see Sara Speed at the back of the Abbey. Tickets will be £12 with a drink on arrival, a splendid shepherd's pie containing minced lamb, carrots, peas, sweetcorn and thick gravy topped with mash from Fantastically Fresh followed by home made apple crumble by Abbey members.

The Abbey Eco Church Group with the Pershore Town Council have arranged for a showing of the film 'National Emergency Briefing' (50 mins) on Climate and Nature in the Town Hall Friday 16 October 1900 for 1930. Join us to see the film, which includes leading UK scientists explaining the latest on the climate and nature crisis and what it means for food, health, weather and the cost of living. It will be followed by a short

discussion sharing viewer responses. Tickets are required and are *Free of Charge*, please see <https://buytickets.at/pershoretownhallabbey/2338171> . Or you can email ecochurch@persshoreabbey.org.uk for more information. *David Oldham*

Please see our Monthly Bulletin for further notices and information.

— Diary —

Sunday 13 September - Holy Cross / Trinity 15

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)
09:15 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
09:30 Café Church (*St Andrew's Main*)
10:30 Patronal Sung Eucharist with LIVESTREAM (*Pershore Abbey*)
10:30 Harvest Festival (*St James', Birlingham*)
10:30 Morning Praise (*St Mary's, Wick*)
12:30 Friends of Pershore Abbey CIO AGM (*Pershore Abbey*)
13:45 Friends of Pershore Abbey CIO AGM Lunch (*St Andrew's Main*)
17:00 Wholeness and Healing Service (*Pershore Abbey*)

Monday 14 September

10:00 U3A Ukelele Group (*St Andrew's Main*)
10:30 Autumn House Group (*Laburnums 21 Three Springs Road*)
13:00 Craft & Chat (*St Andrew's Main*)
14:00 Autumn House Group (*28 Conningsby Drive*)
18:30 Bell Ringing (*St Andrew's*)
19:00 Pershore Community Choir (*St Andrew's Main*)
19:00 Art & Craft for Wellbeing (*St Andrew's Upper*)
19:30 Bell Ringing (*St Andrew's*)

Tuesday 15 September

10:15 Foodbank Staff Arrive (*St Andrew's Main*)
11:00 CTiP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main*)
19:00 U3A Wine Appreciation Society (*St Andrew's Main*)
19:00 Abbey PCC Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)
19:30 PCC Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)

Wednesday 16 September

10:00 Midweek Holy Communion (*Pershore Abbey*)
11:00 Lunch Club (*St Andrew's Main*)
12:00 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
14:00 CTiP Meeting (*St Andrew's Main*)
15:45 V&W (*Vicar's Vestry*)

Thursday 17 September

09:30 Private Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)
09:45 iSing Choir (*St Andrew's Main*)
14:00 Foodbank Training Session (*St Andrew's Main*)
17:00 Setting up for Babies and Toddlers (*St Andrew's Main*)

19:00 Abbey Fabric Meeting (*St Andrew's Upper*)
19:00 Confirmation Preparation (*58 Three Springs Road*)

Friday 18 September

09:30 Babies and Toddler (*St Andrew's Main*)
11:00 Micky Faragher Art Exhibition Set Up (*Pershore Abbey*)
13:00 CTiP Foodbank (*St Andrew's Main*)
14:30 National Emergency Briefing Meeting (*st Andrew's Upper*)
18:30 Choir Practice - Sectional Rehearsals (*Pershore Abbey*)
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19:30 Bell Ringing - Pershore Development Quarter Peal (*St Andrew's*)

Saturday 19 September—Heritage Open Day

09:00 PASA Coffee Morning (*St Andrew's Main*)
11:00 Heritage Open Day Event (*Pershore Abbey*)
11:00 Heritage Open Day Event (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)

Sunday 20 September - Trinity 16

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)
09:15 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)
10:30 Sung Eucharist with Fairtrade Stall and with LIVESTREAM (*Pershore Abbey*)
10:30 Sunday Praise (*St Nicholas', Pinvin*)
12:00 Visiting Bell Ringers (*St Andrews*)
14:00 Pianoscapes (*St Andrew's Main*)
14:30 Service of Holy Baptism (*Pershore Abbey*)

Pershore Abbey Daily Services

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Morning Prayer

1700 Evening Prayer

All are welcome to share in these services.

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

— Keeping In Touch —

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