



**PERSHORE ABBEY**  
**The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with**  
**St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick**  
**Sunday, 17 October, 2021**  
**TRINITY 20**  
***with Traidcraft Stall***

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

**The 1030 service from Pershore Abbey will be live streamed every week.**

Please use this service sheet as an aid to worship at home

Our live streamed service will be available to view on the [Pershore Abbey Community YouTube Channel](#) where you can join in live at 1030 or watch on catch up!

A hymn sheet to accompany this service is available on [Page 4](#) . Following a review of Covid arrangements, you can join in singing the hymns in church but we ask that you wear a mask and sing quietly.

### **THE COLLECT**

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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 53.4-12**

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish

he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING**

### **Hebrews 5.1-10**

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **THE GOSPEL**

### **Mark 10.35-45**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with

James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 Revd Claire Lording for support.*



## HYMN SHEET

### HYMN 1

**A&M 628**

***(Rievaulx)***

1. Father of heaven, whose love profound  
a ransom for our souls hath found,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy pardoning love extend.
2. Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy quickening power extend.
3. Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
the soul is raised from sin and death,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy quickening power extend.
4. Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son;  
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
grace, pardon, life to us extend.

[Edward Cooper (1770-1833)]

### HYMN 2

**A&M 823**

***(Monk's Gate)***

Who would true valour see,  
let him come hither;  
one here will constant be,  
come wind, come weather;  
there's no discouragement  
shall make him once relent  
his first avowed intent  
to be a pilgrim.

Whoso beset him round  
with dismal stories,  
do but themselves confound,  
his strength the more is.  
No lion can him fright:  
he'll with a giant fight,  
but he will have the right  
to be a pilgrim.

Hobgoblin nor foul fiend  
can daunt his spirit;  
he knows he at the end  
shall life inherit.  
Then, fancies, fly away;  
he'll not fear what men say;  
he'll labour night and day  
to be a pilgrim.

[John Bunyan (1628-1688)]

Meekness and majesty,  
manhood and deity,  
in perfect harmony

The man who is God:  
Lord of eternity  
dwells in humanity,  
kneels in humanity  
and washes our feet.

*Oh, what a mystery,  
Meekness and majesty.  
Bow down and worship,  
this is your God,  
this is your God.*

Father's pure radiance,  
perfect in innocence,  
yet learns obedience  
to death on a cross.  
suffering to give us life,  
conquering through sacrifice,  
and as they crucify  
prays: 'Father, forgive.'

Wisdom unsearchable,  
God the invisible,  
Love indestructible  
in frailty appears.  
Lord of infinity,  
stooping so tenderly,  
lifts our humanity  
to heights of his throne.

[Graham Kendrick (b.1950)]

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, the eternal name.*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,  
victim crucified!  
death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:

Priestly king, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:

*[Michael Saward (b. 1932)]*

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or

**[www.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search for Pershore Abbey Community**

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# PERSHORE BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

## 17 OCTOBER 2021

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

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

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*The Benefice Office will be open to the general public on the following days:*

***Tuesday - Thursday: 11:00 - 12:00 only***

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

#### **WE PRAY TOGETHER FOR ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT CRISIS:**

We pray for those whose weddings, blessings and baptisms have been affected by the crisis, 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.

### THE LATE CHRIS HORDERN

We were all deeply saddened to learn of the death of Chris. He was a faithful worshipper, an enthusiastic Friend of Pershore Abbey and supporter of all that we do. The family would like to invite everyone who knew Chris to his memorial service which will be held at **Pershore Abbey** at **1230** on **26 October**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Chris' life, in all its rich variety. Please continue to remember Chris' family in your thoughts and prayers. *Claire*

## WEEKLY BULLETIN 17 OCTOBER 2021

We welcome our **Traidcraft Stall** back to Pershore Abbey on Sunday 17 October, so please do take a look! Volunteers are still needed to help run the stall going forward, so if you think you can help, either speak to one of the helpers this Sunday or contact Dora Paynter, our Traidcraft representative, via the office at [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk) or on **01386 552071**. Our Traidcraft Stall is an important part of our commitment to being a Fairtrade Church, so your support is very much appreciated.



### MINISTRY AND CHURCH NEWS

**CANCELLED - BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE COURSE:** Sadly, this course has been cancelled for the time being. We will update you with news of when it may run as soon as we have the information.

**BISHOP MARTIN'S PILGRIMAGE:** Bishop Martin is making a Pilgrimage of Prayer & Hope to the deaneries in the diocese, with the hope of visiting as many parish groups as possible. As part of this pilgrimage Bishop Martin will be presiding at a Eucharist for the whole deanery which will be on **Wednesday 17 November, 1900** at **All Saints, Evesham**. Everybody is very welcome to join this special service. If you are able to offer a space in your car, or would like a lift to the service, please contact [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk) and we will try to organise car-sharing. *Claire*

**IONA SERVICE SUNDAY 24 OCTOBER PERSHORE ABBEY 1700 - A TIME FOR REMEMBERING:** On Sunday 24 October at 1700 in the Abbey, the Iona service will provide a space to remember and give thanks for special people, near or far or no longer alive, who have touched our lives. If you wish, you can bring along a memento or photo, or share a story and light a candle. The service will also be on Zoom. If you would like a link, please contact Helen on [iona@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:iona@pershoreabbey.org.uk)

**ALL SOULS' SERVICE 07 NOVEMBER PERSHORE ABBEY 1700:** If you would like your loved one's name to be remembered at this service, please let the office know, preferably by email by 2 November to [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk) or alternatively please use the sheet available at the back of your church.

**CHURCHWARDEN - PERSHORE ABBEY:** Bill Newman completes his term as Churchwarden in Spring 2022. We will therefore be looking for his successor soon. It would be really good if we could find someone with a real interest in the fabric of the church. If you want to know more please contact Suzanne Clarke or me. *Claire*

### OTHER NEWS

**POTENTIAL BENEFICE OFFICE CLOSURE:** We are still awaiting a start date for repairs to the Benefice Office, so again, it may be necessary to close the office to the public at short notice over the coming two weeks.



We will continue to be available to via email at [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk) or through our answerphone service on **01386 552071**. If you need to visit the office, please drop us a line via email before travelling, just to check whether or not we are open. Thank you for your understanding

**BIBLE READING REQUESTS:** If anyone would like to receive regular Bible reading notes from the Bible Reading Fellowship, please contact Sue Gooderham via the office on **01386 552071** or email [office@pershoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@pershoreabbey.org.uk)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**PERSHORE COUNTRY MARKET:** There will be a stall on the walkway beside the Town Hall from 1000 till 1200 on Saturday 16 October with savoury and sweet home baked goods, eggs, jam and honey.

**'GETTING TO KNOW YOU' COFFEE MORNING:** The Pershore Abbey Pastoral Group cordially invite all those newcomers to the Abbey who have joined us during the difficult times of the last 18 months, anyone who hasn't been back to the Abbey yet and those who have only just returned, to a Coffee Morning in St Andrews on **Saturday 23 October** from **1030-1200**. We hope this will be a lovely opportunity for us all to make new friendships, renew old ones and for everyone to get to know each other better.



**SHOEBOX SUNDAY & RELAUNCHING JUNIOR CHURCH:** On **Sunday 21 November**, we are relaunching our Junior Church by holding our annual Shoebox Sunday, all children and young people are very welcome to come along at **1030** in **St Andrew's** to help pack the boxes.

We would be very grateful for donations of empty **shoe boxes** and the following items to help fill them - we particularly need **soaps, flannels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, rubbers, pencil sharpeners, tennis balls, small soft teddies, yoyos, and boy's toys. Sweets and chocolates** with a long sell by date may also be included. Please place items in the box at the back of the church during service times.

Again, this year we will be supporting Teams4U, it costs a minimum of £2.50 to send each shoe box; if you prefer to contribute to this it would be greatly appreciated. Please give any monetary gifts in an envelope to Suzanne Clarke. *Thank you, Suzanne.*

### **AND FINALLY . . .**

**NO REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOLLOWING NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE:**

Unfortunately it will not be possible to serve after-service refreshments on Sunday 24 October. Although 4 new helpers have kindly joined our team, some gaps on the rota remain meaning that there will be some weeks when we cannot serve coffees. Should you think that you'd like to help in any way, please do contact **Sara Speed** on **01386 710776**.



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## VACANCY ABBEY TREASURER

We are looking for a volunteer to be Treasurer for the Abbey and the St Andrew's Centre.

Ideally you will be a qualified accountant or someone with wide accounting experience and an understanding of the charity sector.

We have an excellent Team of paid staff and volunteers to help with this role.

We are a church that takes Safeguarding very seriously and will adhere to the Safer Recruitment Policy for this appointment.

Closing date for applications: 7 November 2021

An application pack is available from:

☎ 01386 552071 (please leave your name & contact details)

✉ [office@persnoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@persnoreabbey.org.uk)

An application pack may also be collected from the Benefice Office

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## WE ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW TREASURER FOR PERSNORE ABBEY:

We have been very fortunate in recent years to benefit from the talents and time that Helen Archer-Smith has given to Persnore Abbey in the role of Treasurer

Helen is now stepping down from this role to meet new challenges. We are looking for a volunteer who can take on the mantle and continue to move the Abbey's finances forward in this rewarding and challenging role.

We thank Helen for the amazing job that she has done in the last few years and wish her all future success.

More information on the role is available from [office@persnoreabbey.org.uk](mailto:office@persnoreabbey.org.uk) or call **01386 552071**.

*Persnore Abbey PCC*

**PERSNORE ABBEY STEWARDSHIP:** Thank you to all of those who attended our Stewardship Tea on Sunday 3 October. It was a lovely event and a great opportunity to explore more about Stewardship at Persnore Abbey.

There is an additional leaflet available in church this week, which we hope you will be able to look at and complete to help us further with this important aspect of our church life.

You can set up your regular giving by phoning **0333 002 1271**

or scan the QR code to set up a regular gift online at [www.parishgiving.org.uk/persnore-abbey-worcester](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk/persnore-abbey-worcester)

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We invite all our regular worshippers to contribute regularly to help the Abbey not only to survive but to flourish and plan confidently for the future.

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*Thank You, Claire and the Churchwardens*

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## ABBAY & BENEFICE DIARY

Revd Claire's usual day off is Friday and Revd Steve's is Saturday. They will not be available for commitments on those days but will get back to you as soon as they can.

### **SUNDAY 17 OCTOBER 2021 - Trinity 20**

10:30 Eucharist with choir (*Pershore Abbey*)  
*with Traidcraft stall*

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

10:30 Morning Praise (*St James', Birlingham*)

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

14:30 Service of Holy Baptism for Jacob Cosnett (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Matins

1700 Evening Prayer

### **\*\* ONGOING MAINTENANCE WORK TO ST ANDREW'S THROUGHOUT THIS WEEK \*\***

#### **Mon 18 October 2021**

10:00 Dramatherapy - event starts **1030**  
(*St A Upper Room*)

11:00 Funeral Service of the late  
Christine Champken (*Pershore Abbey*)

14:00 Me, You and a Brew Drop-in session  
(*St A Upper Room*)

19:00 Gong Bath Session event starts at **1930**  
(*St A Main Hall*)

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

#### **Tue 19 October 2021**

11:00 CTIP Food Bank (*St A Main Hall*)

19:30 PODYS Rehearsal (*St A Upper Room*)

#### **Wed 20 October 2021**

10:30 Volunteer Centre Lunch Club (*St A Main Hall*)  
*Enquiries 554299, doors open at 1130*

14:45 U3A Singers event starts at **1500**  
(*St A Main Hall*)

15:30 V&W Meeting (*St A Upper Room*)

19:00 Pershore Town Choir (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:00 Vale Harmony (*St A Main Hall*)

19:00 Meeting (*St A Upper Room*)

#### **Thu 21 October 2021**

**ALL PM Lighting Repairs (*St Andrew's*)**

12:00 Funeral Service of the late Sheila Amphlett  
(*Vale Crematorium*)

18:00 Choir Practise (*Pershore Abbey*)

#### **Fri 22 October 2021**

09:30 Babies and Toddlers (*St A Main Hall*)

13:00 CTIP Food Bank (*St A Main Hall*)

14:00 Memorial Service for the late Barry Young  
(*Pershore Abbey*)

#### **Sat 23 October 2021**

09:45 Pastoral Group Coffee Morning

*Event starts at 1030 (St A Main Hall)*

#### **Sun 24 October 2021 - Bible Sunday**

10:30 Sunday Praise with choir (*Pershore Abbey*)

10:30 Parish Communion (*St Mary's, Wick*)

12:30 Service of Holy Baptism for Lucy John  
(*Pershore Abbey*)

14:30 Service of Holy Baptism  
for Francesca Negrescu (*Pershore Abbey*)

17:00 Iona Service (*Pershore Abbey*)

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