



THE ABBEY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, PERSHORE

Sunday, 11 November, 2018

REMEMBRANCE DAY

WEEKLY SERVICE SHEET & BULLETIN

A very warm welcome to our service today

Please use this service sheet in conjunction with the green service booklet

THE COLLECT

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.

READING

Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life. Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to you, O Lord.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.' As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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.



As a Kingdom People we are a church that seeks to:

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

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

All those who are celebrating their wedding within the Pershore Benefice, those who are being baptised, those who are in need and those who have recently died.

We also pray for those whose anniversary of death occurs today or in the coming week.

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NOTICES & EVENTS

THE LATE EDDIE WILLIAMS: We were all saddened to hear of Eddie's death. Eddie was a faithful attendee at 8am service and a member of the Abbey congregation for many years and he will be greatly missed. His funeral will be held in the Abbey at 14:30 on Monday 12 November. Everyone is very welcome.

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WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM

ABBEY FLOWERS: The Remembrance flowers this week have been donated In Loving Memory of Capt Eileen Carter MBE TD and Capt Geoff Beaumont TD.

REMEMBRANCE ART: Please do look around the Abbey, inside and outside, at various pieces of art which are being displayed until 19th November which all have a remembrance theme. They are thought provoking and help us to reflect on the cost of war, in every age. We are grateful to all those who produced the pieces for sharing them with us.
Claire



RINGING REMEMBERS: On the 11th November 1918, bells rang out to announce the end of WW1. To mark the 100th Anniversary of that ringing, the Abbey bells will be rung half-muffled before the Remembrance Service, and then again at 12:30 for 'Ringing Remembers – a Celebration of Peace', now with the bells open. Later in the day, we will ring open again at 19:05 for 'Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute'. Many ringers joined the war effort, and over 1400

lost their lives including two ringers from Pershore: Lance Corporal Ernest Walter Haynes of Spring Road and Serjeant John Need of Priest Lane probably signed-up together as their service numbers are just two apart. Enrolled in the 11th Battalion, Worcestershire Regiment, these young men died on the same day, 24th April 1917, aged just 26 and 23. A national campaign, 'Ringing Remembers', to recruit 1400 new bell ringers to commemorate those ringers who died in the First World War has been very successful with over 2000 people starting to learn. In Pershore, we have four new ringers: Jenny Allcock, Claire Payne, Sally Stewart and Gordon Robinson; they will be joining in with our ringing on Sunday. *Stuart Piper, Tower Captain.*

THERE BUT NOT THERE: There are three seated Tommy silhouettes installed in Pershore Abbey as a symbol of remembrance. This installation forms part of a nationwide project which aims to Commemorate the Fallen, Educate all generations and Heal those suffering from the hidden wounds of combat.

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TEARFUND QUIZ NIGHT: Saturday 17 November. £5.00 per person, teams of 4-6 persons at Pershore Baptist Church. 19:00 for refreshments, quiz starts at 19:45, contact Tracy Wheeler, email tracy.wheeler@talk21.com See poster in the Abbey.

PRAYERS AT WORCESTER CATHEDRAL: At Evensong on 19 and 20 November Pershore Benefice is being remembered in the prayers. It is always appreciated when there are members from the Benefice at these services. The service starts at 17:30. Angela Gerrard is attending the service on the 19th November, where she will reading one of the lessons. She would be delighted to have some company! *Claire*

TRAIDCRAFT NEWS posted on social media on Monday 5 November. 'We're delighted to be able to share a positive Traidcraft update today. After outstanding support and input from many friends and well-wishers, we are able to move forwards with plans for a slimmed-down business, with fair trade, community buying, transparency & 'market disruption' at its heart. Our long-term supporters will be absolutely key for our ongoing strategy, but there will be changes to.' The long term supporters are US! Thank you for your support and please continue choosing TRAIDCRAFT. The next Traidcraft stalls at the Abbey will be on 18 November, 2 & 16 December. *Dora Paynter, Traidcraft Abbey Representative.*

LIGHT THE TOWER FOR PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH: This takes place in November and we are joining Pancreatic Cancer UK by lighting the Abbey Tower on the following nights in November for this important campaign - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30. Please remember all those who have died from pancreatic cancer; all those who living with this condition, their families and friends, and all those trying to understand this devastating disease more. Thank you. *Claire*

OUR 'TEAMS4U' SHOE BOX APPEAL 2018: On Sunday, 18 November, the Junior Church and Upper Room Group are packing shoe boxes. Thank you for everything received so far. 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 to Suzanne Clarke. Thank you.

HEARING AID LOOP: Our apologies for the on going problems we have with our loop - we are aware how essential it is for many people to be able to take a full part in our services. We have an engineer coming next Friday when we hope to resolve the problem.

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CHRISTMAS 2018

PERSHORE FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL: Last year we gave out Christmas Hampers to our clients during December. This was extremely successful and greatly appreciated by recipients. We would particularly like Christmas Cake, Christmassy Biscuits, Sweets and Chocolates (for both children and adults) Tinned Ham, Salmon or Chicken, Mince Pies and Chocolate Money and any other Christmas treats you would care to donate would be much appreciated. You may notice that Christmas puddings are missing that is because we have a quantity already so just a few please. Thank you. *Lynne Raymer*

FESTIVE ENTERTAINMENT including mini panto - Snow White & the Seven Small Sub-Deacons (starring Abbey folk). U3A Ukelele Band, Hand Bells and much more. Saturday 8th December at 18:45 at St Andrew's Centre. £6 per ticket (light refreshments included).

BLESSING THE CHRISTMAS TREE: Last year the Abbey Christmas Tree was greatly admired, and was a wonderful welcome to everyone visiting the Abbey over the Christmas period, especially the schools. On Monday 3 December we will be decorating this year's Christmas tree, and your help would be most welcome. We will start at 10:00 when there will be a short service to bless the tree. We will then decorate it, and enjoy refreshments and fellowship throughout the morning. We hope you can join us.

FOLLOW THE STAR: For CofE followers this Christmas running through the 12 days of Christmas, discover words to hold close throughout 2019. Follow The Star is a pocket-sized booklet inviting you to travel in the footsteps of the Wise Men this Christmas to meet Jesus. It contains 14 daily reflections, one for each day from Christmas Eve throughout the 12 days of Christmas, ending with the Epiphany on 6th January. Author: Isabelle Hamley, Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop John Sentamu. Retailing at £1.50 each please sign the list at the back of the Abbey if you would like to buy a copy to give us an indication of how many to purchase. Thank you.

ABBEY & BENEFICE DIARY

(A) Abbey, (B) Birlingham, (P) Pinvin, (W) Wick,
(St A) St Andrew's, (V) New Vicarage, (CTIP) Churches Together in Pershore

THE FOLLOWING SERVICES TAKE PLACE EVERY MONDAY TO SATURDAY IN THE ABBEY

08:00 Silent Prayer 08:30 Matins and Eucharist 17:00 Evening Prayer

Everyone is very welcome to attend these services

ABBEY EVENTS - SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER

REMEMBRANCE DAY

06:00 Lone piper to pipe from the top of the Abbey

08:00 Eucharist

10:40 Remembrance Service

12:30 Commemorative Ringing at Abbey to mark the Centenary of the end of WW1

17:00 Service of Wholeness and Healing

19:05 Abbey Bells - "Battle's Over - Ringing out for peace!"

Monday 12 November

09:15 Musical Explorers (St A)

10:30 Bells (St A)

13:00 Risk Management Survey (A/Vestry)

14:30 Funeral for the Late Eddie Williams (A)

18:00 Weight Watchers (St A)

19:30 Bells (St A)

Tuesday 13 November

09:30 Photo Session (A)

11:00 CTIP Food Bank (St A)

13:00 Funeral of the late Angie Dowson
at St Mary's Church, Wick

19:30 Civic Centre Society meeting (St A)

19:00 Abbey PCC Meeting (St A upper room)

Wednesday 14 November

14:00 Burial of Ashes of the Late Sheila Cole (A)

17:20 Pershore Rainbows visit (A)

20:00 Vale Harmony (St A)

Thursday 15 November

09:15 Weight Watchers (St A)

09:30 Vicar & Wardens' Meeting (St A upper room)

11:00 Meeting with Alison Maddox (St A upper room)

13:15 Art Club with Becca (St A, upper room)

19:00 Guitar Class (St A)

Friday 16 November

09:30 Babies and Toddlers (St A)

11:00 Eucharist (A)

13:00 CTIP Food Bank (St A)

14:30 Organ Practice (A)

18:00 Choir Practice (A)

19:30 Bells (St A)

Saturday 17 November

09:30 Concert setting up (A)

10:00 Parish Coffee Morning (St A)

12:15 Concert Organisers (St A)

14:30 Worcester Philharmonic Orchestra Concert (A)

Sunday 18 November

17:30 Youth Group led by Suzanne Clarke (St A)

ABBEY SERVICES - SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

08:00 Eucharist (A)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with Laying on of Hands/ Shoebox Sunday

14:30 Service of Holy Baptism