



PERSHORE BENEFICE
The Abbey Church of the Holy Cross with
St Nicholas' Pinvin, St James' Birlingham & St Mary's Wick
Sunday, 02 June 2024
TRINITY 1

SERVICE SHEET, BULLETIN & DIARY

The 1030 Service from the Abbey will be livestreamed 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](#)

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THE COLLECT

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

Deuteronomy 5.12-15

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

The Lord says this: Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4.5-12

A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 2.23-36

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

One sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, 'Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?' And he said to them, 'Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions.' Then he said to them, 'The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath.'

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Come forward.' Then he said to them, 'Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?' But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord . **Amen.**

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

HYMN SHEET

FIRST HYMN

A&M 652

CWM RHONDDA

1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

[William Williams (1717-1791)
Translated by Peter Williams (1727-1796)]

GRADUAL HYMN

A&M 602

FRANCONIA

1 Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

3 Still to the lowly soul
he doth himself impart,
and for his dwelling and his throne
chooseth the pure in heart.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men,
their pattern and their King;

4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple meet for thee.

[John Keble (1792-1866)]

THIRD HYMN

A&M 428

ABERSTWYTH

1 Body broken for our good,
and that body's precious blood:
we receive them to our shame,
who dishonour Jesus' name.
Every day more blood is shed;
flesh is broken, left for dead.
Where earth's children bleed and die,
it is Christ we crucify.

2 Yet your love, God, draws us near,
though unworthy to be here;
we have nothing good to bring,
yet you give us everything!
Here you give us Christ who died,
resurrected, glorified;
his humanity, divine,
here is ours in bread and wine.

3 In communion with this Lord,
faith, hope, love are all restored;
here is wealth beyond compare,
wealth for all the world to share.
He reclaims our every breath:
all our life and even death
cannot be too great a price,
to complete his sacrifice.

4 Time, with energy and health,
talent, poverty or wealth:
all are yours, Lord, taken up
in the sign of bread and cup.
Though we may be broken too,
and our lives poured out for you,
make of us the living sign
of your love in bread and wine.

[Alan Gaunt (b.1935)]

COMMUNION MOTET

Panis Angelicus - Cesar Franck (Bread of Angels)
Sung by the Pershore Abbey Choir

*Panis angelicus
Fit panis hominum;
Dat panis caelicus
Figuris terminum:
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum
Pauper, servus et humilis*

*Te trina Deitas
Unaque poscimus:
Sic nos tu visita
Sicut te colimus;
Per tuas semitas
Duc nos quo tendimus
Ad lucem quam inhabitas
Amen*

COMMUNION HYMN

A&M 747

1. O God, you search me and you know me.
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.
2. You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
In every moment of life and death, you are.
3. Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
You have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.
4. Although your Spirit is upon me,
Still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.
5. For you created me and shaped me,
Gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

[Bernadette Farrell (b1957)]

FINAL HYMN

A&M 753

LAUDATE DOMINUM (PARRY)

- 1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;
rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;
ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.
- 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth,
in tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth;
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.
- 3 O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echo around;
loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone,
and, sweet harp, the story of what he hath done.

4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured all ages along:
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!
(Amen, amen.)

[Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)]

Voluntary: Toccata in b minor—Eugene Gigout
The congregation are invited to remain seated and listen to the voluntary

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PERSHORE ABBEY & BENEFICE BULLETIN & DIARY

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As a Kingdom People we are churches that seek to:

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

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weekday mornings from **0930 –1300**

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

**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 BENEFICE BULLETIN NOTICES

TREATMENT PLAN UPDATE FROM CLAIRE: I have now had some test results which have confirmed that the first stage of my treatment for breast cancer will be chemotherapy. After this has been completed I will have surgery. I don't have firm dates for when my chemotherapy will start but I imagine it will be in the next few weeks. My treatment will have an impact on my work as I will have to pace myself and make sure that I am looking after myself as much as I can. I will share with you how this will all look once I know. Thank you again for all your care and concern. You are all an incredible source of strength. Please continue to pray for me and all health professionals. *Claire*

THE REVD JAYNE PARKER'S ORDINATION: It would be wonderful if as many people as possible could attend Jayne's Ordination at the Cathedral on 29 June at 1400. A coach has been arranged to take people from the Abbey to the Cathedral and back - there are still some places available. It will leave the Abbey at 12.30 and return from the cathedral at 16.30. The cost is £8 per person to include a tip. If you have signed up please take your money to the Office before the trip. Money will not be collected on the coach. To book your place please use the sign up sheets at the back of all the churches or let the Office know.

THANK YOU FROM PASA: A very big thank you to all who helped make the Carnival Teas such a success despite the rain showers, torrential rain & later a hailstorm! All the visitors appreciated the warm welcome and refreshments in St. Andrew's. Approximately £874 has been made, (final figures not confirmed) with an increase on last year's £730; thank you to the generous cake makers and those who gave monetary donations. *Thank you from Sara, Hilary & the PASA Team.*

CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN: There will be a special service in the Abbey on Thursday 20 June at 1900 to mark 30 years since women were first ordained priest. In 1994, 22 women were ordained in the Diocese of Worcester to serve in parishes across Worcestershire and Dudley. Those pioneers will be guests of honour at the service alongside the many women who have been ordained since and all those who have supported them along the way. Bishop John will preach at the service, Archdeacon Nikki Groarke will lead the prayers and there will be interviews with one of the first women ordained in our diocese as well as one of the most recently ordained. There will be cava and cake after the service! All welcome.



**PLEASE SEE OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN FOR MORE
INFORMATION & OTHER NOTICES**

ABBEY & BENEFICE DIARY

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

Sunday 02 June - Trinity 1

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:15 Choir Practice (*St Andrew's Main*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with Fair Trade Stall and
with *LIVESTREAM (Pershore Abbey)*

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

13:15 Breathworks Class (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

17:00 Evensong (*Pershore Abbey*)

PERSHORE ABBEY DAILY OFFICES

0800 Silent Prayer

0830 Morning Prayer

1700 Evening Prayer

Monday 03 June

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

12:00 Thank You Lunch U3A (*St Andrew's Main*)

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

18:30 Bell Ringing (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

19:30 Bell Ringing (*Pershore Abbey*)

Tuesday 04 June

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

14:00 Abbey Mission Group (*St Andrew's Upper*)

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

19:30 Pinvin PCC (*St Nicholas, Pinvin*)

Wednesday 05 June

10:00 Midweek Holy Communion (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

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

18:00 Wick PCC (*St Mary's, Wick*)

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

Thursday 06 June

09:45 iSing Choir (*St Andrew's Main*)

11:00 Eucharist (*Ganderton Court*)

11:30 Organ Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

14:15 Intercessory Prayer (*Pershore Abbey*)

16:00 Celebrating our Volunteers - Foodbank
Volunteers Event (*St Andrew's Main*)

18:30 Bells - 'Ring our for Peace' marking
80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landing
(*Pershore Abbey*)

Friday 07 June

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

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

18:00 Choir Practice (*Pershore Abbey*)

19:30 Bells - Surprise Major (*St Andrew's*)

Saturday 08 June

10:00 Abbey Eco Church 'Weedy Pick' (*St Andrew's*)

Sunday 09 June Trinity 2

08:00 Eucharist (*Pershore Abbey*)

09:30 Café Church (*St Andrew's Main*)

09:15 Choir Practice (*St Andrew's Upper*)

10:30 Sung Eucharist with *LIVESTREAM* -

As part of this service we will be
remembering the 80th Anniversary
of D-Day (*Pershore Abbey*)

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

12:30 Swindon Male Voice Choir—Informal
Singing until 14:00 (*Pershore Abbey*)

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



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