

## This Sunday at St Peter's Church

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10.30am: St Nicholas' Patronal Service

(this replaces the 9.15, 9.30 and 11.15 services)

Hymns: Hymns Old & New 550, 179, 510, 72, 175, 701

*Readings at our morning services are:*

**First Reading:** 1 Peter 2: 1-9

Readers: 8.00am: Joy Hurding 10.30am: Pearl Walker

**Gospel:** John 20:19-29

Reader: 8.00am: Sue Giles

**The Kanamai Development Trust** have recently had good news, which they would like to share with everyone:

"All our Year 8 students who took their final exams, have passed, and Little Angels has come out as the leading school in that area of Kenya. We are so delighted, and have congratulated not only the students and staff, but also we want to thank all who have supported the Trust, and helped us to achieve such good results. We really could not have achieved this on our own. We continue to face challenges as we look at ways to aid the children who have no support as they are either orphaned or they have just one parent but we will do our best." If you would like to find out more about the Kanamai Trust, please speak to Pearl Walker or visit their website <http://kanamaitrust.org.uk>.

**Welcome to Portishead Church of England  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – St Nicholas Tide**

### Parish Calendar

#### **St Nicholas' Tide**

**Sun 25<sup>th</sup>**

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church

10.30am **St Nicholas' Patronal Service** at St Nicholas' Church  
(this replaces the usual 9.15, 9.30 and 11.15 services)

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> – Sat 1<sup>st</sup> December Star Trail in St Peter's Church –  
school groups attending Monday – Friday**

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Parish Walk, starting at Parish Wharf Leisure Centre

**Tues 27<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Lighthouse Carers Group at St Nicholas' Church

**Weds 28<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Lighthouse Prayers at St Nicholas' Church

12.15pm Funeral of Raymond Neave at Westerleigh Crematorium

**Thurs 29<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Holy Communion at **St Nicholas' Church**

2.00pm Lighthouse Café at The Lighthouse, St Nicholas' Church

6.00pm–7.30pm Public opening of Star Trail at St Peter's Church

7.30pm Choir Practice at St Nicholas' Church

**Fri 30<sup>th</sup>**

7.30pm Friday Football at Gordano School Sports Centre

**Sat 1<sup>st</sup>**

10.00am–11.30am Public opening of Star Trail at St Peter's Church  
Concert by Posset Singers at St Nicholas' Church

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>**

#### **Advent Sunday**

6.30pm Morning services at usual times in both churches

6.30pm Ecumenical Advent Carol Service at St Nicholas' Church

## Our Prayers

**The Church worldwide:** Please pray for The Lusitanian Church in Portugal, Bishop Jorge Pina Cabral

**In our Diocese:** We pray for Quantock Area Dean the Rev Ben Flenley and Lay Dean Sally Bult as they seek guidance in leading the churches of the deanery to embrace 'Telling the Story of Jesus' by telling their own stories.

**In our Parish:** For our spiritual, missional and numerical growth.

For Star Trail, all our volunteers; the children and adults who accompany them

The Lighthouse Café, its volunteers, and community partners. The Mothers' Union and all its members.

**Those living and working in:** *Springfield House, Springfield Road, St Augustine's Close, St Mary's Park, St Mary's Road, St Peter's Lodge, St Peter's Road, Stafford Road, Station Road, Stoke Road, Stonechat Green.*

**Those in need:** Joan Bye, John Lowe, Wendy Burrell, Audrey Glass

**The departed:**

Jean Brown	Mary Parsons
Raymond Neave	Edward Camburn
Lesley Brass	

**Star Trail** will be taking place in St Peter's Church next week from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November until Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December (with setting up on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> & Sun 25<sup>th</sup>). During Star Trail access to the church will be greatly restricted and entry will not be possible while school groups are attending. Please phone Gill (845970) with any queries. Thank you. The Thursday morning Communion on 29<sup>th</sup> November will be at St Nicholas' Church and there will be no Mission Prayer on Monday morning.

## Noticeboard

**Please contact: 01275 846230 or [office@portisheadparish.co.uk](mailto:office@portisheadparish.co.uk)**

This Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November is **St Nicholas' Patronal**. There will be a service for everybody at 10.30am with Pebbles at St Nicholas' which replaces our usual 9.15, 9.30 and 11.15 services. Please come and join us. **Pebbles** will be spending some of their meeting time outside so please can the children wear warm outdoor clothing. On Sunday we will also be introducing Partnership for Missional Church which will be a major initiative for us for the next 3 years. Please bring mince pies. Punch will be provided.

We have an exciting opportunity for some festive ministry at **Court House Farm** on **Sunday 16th December**. As part of the Victorian Evening two films are being screened at the farm during the afternoon (Mary Poppins at 1.30pm and The Greatest Showman at 4pm) with The Pill Owls performing at around 7pm. We've been asked to set up a nativity scene as part of this event and include some activities for people to engage with. We may do something similar to the 'Get in the Picture' activity we did last year, which invited people to dress up as nativity characters. We need volunteers to help with this so speak to Mark if this is something you'd like to be involved with.

**St Nicholas' Welcomers.** We are in **urgent need** of women and men who would be able to become a Welcomer. If it is something you would like to do could you have a word with either Pearl, Peter Duncan or Pete Turner please? The more volunteers we have then the least often it would be!

We have heard that the parish has been named in someone's Will and has been left £20,000. What wonderful news.

Do join us for our **Parish Walk** on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November. We meet outside Parish Wharf leisure centre at 10am for a stroll around the marina and a drink in Hall & Woodhouse. Pauline for the Social Committee, 460015.

If you missed the last **Ethics Forum** on Organ Donation with Miss Anusha Edwards, a recording of the talk is available online via the following link: <https://1drv.ms/f/s!AjqT3oDjrx7XhTVdfkHmLo5Zwkf>

Congratulations to Trinity School on their recent Ofsted inspection. Everyone has worked so hard to achieve this successful result.

From the start of December there will be a special large **Christmas card** out in each church for everyone to add their own greetings to for their friends in the congregation. Donations will be invited in aid of the charity Crisis at Christmas.

Would you be interested in becoming a **Conversation Partner** for families living in Portishead who do not have English as a first language? It involves spending an hour on a one-to-one basis with someone to help them practise their English. As anyone who has taken part in this scheme before will know, it can be a mutually beneficial and rewarding experience. If you are interested in finding out more please contact the Church Office on 846230 or [office@portisheadparish.co.uk](mailto:office@portisheadparish.co.uk)

The Bristol Amos Trust **Bethlehem Carol Service** will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm at St Mary Redcliffe Church. This year they will be joined by leadpeace activists Zoughbi Zoughbi and Lucy Talgieh from Wi'am Reconciliation Centre in Bethlehem and 6 members of the Choir of Bethlehem. To reserve tickets please go to <https://amostrust.yapsody.com/event/index/317331/bristol-bethlehem-carol-service-2018>

Would you be interested in becoming a **Befriender** for **CAP** (Christians Against Poverty)? Befrienders are invaluable in supporting and encouraging CAP clients along their journey to becoming debt-free. Joanna, the CAP Centre Manager is urgently looking for more people for this role, especially people to befriend older people. If you would like to know more please contact her on [joanna.pritchett@cap.org.uk](mailto:joanna.pritchett@cap.org.uk)

Booking is open for our **2019 Parish Weekend** at Lee Abbey, 21-23 June. Booking forms can be found in both churches or downloaded from the website [www.portisheadparish.co.uk](http://www.portisheadparish.co.uk). Completed forms should be sent to the Parish Office with a £25 deposit per person (payable by cheque or BACS). Instructions for paying by BACS are on the back of the Form. If you have queries, please contact Christine Tipping, Hilary Finch or Diane Bridgwater.