

All Saints
5 November 2023

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday, 5 November 2023

9:00 Holy Communion
Leading & Preaching:
Annie Bolger

10:30 All Age worship Holy Communion Leading & Preaching: AAW Team

Zoom; YouTube

14:00 Service of the Word FR/EN Leading: Charles Kabera Preaching: Eric Sibomana

YouTube

18:00 Holy Communion Leading: John Wilkinson Preaching: Arttu Makipaa

Zoom; YouTube

Contact our Children & Youth Coordinator Philip Milton for more details about children's and youth activities.

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their hopes on things that fail. Pray for last.

Wednesday, 8 November 2023

12:30 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching: John Wilkinson On All Saints Day, we remember those who, by putting their trust in God, have given lasting value to their lives.

Revelation 7:9-17 What vision could be more glorious than this? Those who have kept the faith through times of trouble now stand, purified by Jesus, before the God in whom they have trusted. With all conflict at an end, they are drawn into the intimate circle of his family, where every pain is healed for eternity.

Psalm 34:1-10 There is much in this lovely poem that reminds us how those who seek the Lord find answers. So we are told that those who look to God are radiant. If we read on, we find that the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous. The saints look to God and their glance meets with his, in recognition and in love. What an appropriate psalm for the day when we remember those who are called saints.

1 John 4:1-3 What distinguishes Christians from everyone else, is that we confess Jesus as the Christ, the anointed one from God. Coming to us in human flesh, uniquely, Jesus opens for us the way to God. So God works in us through his Spirit to lead us to Jesus and to confess him. Through our confession of Jesus, we come into a full relationship with God.

Matthew 5:1-12 God's kingdom is a state where so much that we take for granted as the way of the world will be reversed. Those who are focused on God, and who are prepared to endure all the ills that this life thrusts upon them in consequence, are assured of the joy of God's blessing in eternity. For the Christian, hope never dies.

Pointers for prayer

- Many people find the world to be a hopeless place. Others pin their hopes on things that fail. Pray for them to find hope that will last
- Where do I look for inspiration in my life?
- Pray that all those who face trouble for their Christian faith may feel God's protecting presence with them.
- Taste and see that the Lord is good; then glorify the Lord with me.

Click here for our programme for the month

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Our Church Council
meeting will take place on
Monday, 6 November at
19:30 via Zoom. If you are
on the Electoral Roll and
would like to receive
papers for this meeting,
please contact the office
at admin@holytrinity.be.
If you have any questions,
please contact your
Council representatives or
the wardens.

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Brussels is not responsible for asking for appropriate checks and references, or for any contracts. These are the responsibility of all the parties involved.

Coffee and tea are served downstairs after the 10:30 service, the bar is also open. Do come and join us downstairs. If you are new or visiting Brussels, we would love to meet you!

Christian Solidarity Worldwide, a mission supported by Holy Trinity Brussels will hold an International Day of Prayer for the persecuted church with Evangelical Alliance, Open Doors and Release International on Sunday 5 November, you can register online on the CSW website https://www.csw.org.uk/idop

Accommodation wanted*

(1) From time to time, Holy Trinity is made aware of people in precarious situations who need a place to live. Rachael is a regular of the 10:30 service who is in such a position. Rachael is able to offer a small compensation for housing (€300-400 monthly) from her chomage. If you know of any place where she might be able to live, please contact Annie Bolger (annie.bolger@holytrinity.be).

(2) Levi is 21 years old and will be starting an internship with a design studio in Brussels. He is looking for a room to rent, either shared with other young professionals or a family home. He is a happy, helpful and sociable person. If you can help, please contact him on levipovoas95@gmail.com +447546788474.

If you are new or visiting us for the first time, and would like to stay in touch, please sign up to receive our weekly newsletter.

Holy Trinity is once again about to launch our 'Have a Heart' campaign where all proceeds will go to the children and young adolescents at Les Cailloux in time for St Nicolas on 6 December. At present, we are waiting for the list of gifts that the children would like to receive and once received, we will send a message out asking you to buy a gift for a particular child. In the meantime, if you already know you would like to participate, please contact Geraldine Barry (Geraldine.barry@ec.europa.eu).

Godly Play training! In January 2024 there will be a new opportunity to follow the training for Godly Play at Holy Trinity. Godly Play is the spiritual formation we use in our children's ministry for the under-10s. A creative, open, tactile approach for children (and adults!) to explore the stories of the Bible and the Church and our place in those stories! Dates - 13th, 20th & 27th January 2024 More info: philip.milton@holytrinity.be

Online Morning and Night Prayer

Did you know that members of Holy Trinity meet together for prayer online throughout the week? You can drop in on any day and join the prayers. The password is 'htb'.

Morning prayer:

Monday to Friday, 9:00

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82
809036058#success

Compline/Night prayer:
Monday to Friday, 21:00

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89
837499334#success

The Prayer Chain

welcomes requests for prayer for any situation with complete confidentiality. Please contact Carole Ludlow on celudlow@gmail.com.

Please avoid taking photos or videos during services unless you have sought prior permission to do so.

Thank you!

The majority of services and concerts taking place at Holy Trinity are being live streamed to Youtube via Zoom. We do our best not to record private individuals. Individuals taking part in the service and/or concert as choir members, musicians, serving team, etc., will be recorded. On some occasions photos are also taken by a member of the Holy Trinity ministry team for use on social media and the church website. If you wish to opt out, send an email to

Christians Aware In June we welcomed members of 'Christians Aware' to Holy Trinity. We have received a copy of their magazine which includes a number of articles about Biodiversity and Ecology alongside two articles about their visit which you may like to read. They have also asked us to publicise their annual conference in January - Strangers and Pilgrims: People, Displacement and Migration in God's World. If you would like to receive a copy of the magazine or the conference brochure, please email admin@holytrinity.be

Want to support climate action? Enjoy crafts?

On Saturday 18th November we will have a craftivism afternoon making banners and decorating hats, in preparation for the Climate March on December 3rd. *How can you get involved?*

- Come and join in banner-making and hat decorating:
- Donate materials for the craft session (old hats, pillowcases, wool, felt, fabric (especially flowery), artificial flowers, craft materials, fabric paint)
- Make flowers in advance of the workshop (any medium crochet, fabric, wire, beads.....). We will use them to decorate hats.

Our trademark banners and hats attract attention at demonstrations and marches, giving us the opportunity to share why Christians are active campaigners for climate justice.

If you enjoy craft but feel uncomfortable joining a demonstration this is an opportunity to support climate action.

Donations of craft supplies and flowers can be given to Zélie Peppiette, Mags Bird, Annie Bolger, or left in Church House.

When and where: Saturday 18th November 14-17h, Charles LeJeune Centre, Holy Trinity

The wider church

Godspace is offering a day-retreat in English – time away for inner reflection on Saturday 25 November at Les Fraternites du Bon Pasteur, Rue au Bois 365 B, 1150 Brussels. Everyone aged 18+ welcome. Maximum 12 participants. Cost: 15eur per head. Sign up here: https://stpaulstervuren.churchsuite.com/events/zdlwo93j

Serve the City is holding a **2nd hand English Book sale** on 25 November at Vineyard Brussels, Boulevard du Souverain, 220, Auderghem.

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Creation Corner

A new section of the newsletter highlighting ways that we can be better stewards of the earth!

Pope Francis' recent apostolic exhortation, Laudate Deum (Praise God) continues his message from Laudato Si' (Praise be): "Eight years have passed since I published Laudato Si', when I wanted to share with all of you, my brothers and sisters of our suffering planet, my heartfelt concerns about the care of our common home. Yet, with the passage of time, I have realized that our responses have not been adequate, while the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point."

"The world sings of an infinite Love: how can we fail to care for it?" (LD #65)

Read the full letter Laudate Deum here.

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