



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

All Saints
31 October 2021

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday 31 October, 2021

9:00 Holy Communion

Leading: John Wilkinson
Preaching: John Wilkinson

10:30 Holy Communion

Leading: Paul Vrolijk
Preaching: John Wilkinson

[Zoom](#); [YouTube](#)

14:00 Confirmation Service

Leading: Bishop Robert
Preaching: Bishop Robert

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Service of the Word

Leading: Teus Vermeer
Preaching: Annie Bolger

[Zoom](#); [YouTube](#)

Tuesday 2 November, 2021

19:30 Service of the Word

Wednesday 3 November, 2021

12:30 Holy Communion

Leading: Bishop Robert
Preaching: Alan Strange

*Contact our Children's
and Youth worker [Anna
Zödi](#) for more details
about children's and
youth activities.*

Isaiah 25:6-9 Isaiah has much to say about the failures of God's people, which are leading them to judgment. But he has no doubt of the ultimate victory of God's overwhelming love, that will establish for his people a world made new, where death, grief and disgrace will be no more. This is his promise to those who trust him.

Revelation 21:1-6a The climactic vision of Revelation is of the new city of God, compared with which the cities of men are as nothing. What marks this city is the presence of God in the midst of his people, showing his infinite care for them in a world made new. Creation began with God and culminates in the fullest possible relationship with him.

John 11:32-44 The visions of Isaiah and Revelation look to the future. The raising of Lazarus, however, gives a taste here and now of how much God longs to save his people. Although Lazarus must have died again later, his raising points us to God's ultimate victory over death – a victory fixed in our faith by Jesus' triumph, won in the worst of circumstances.

Psalms 24 As we approach the mountain of the Lord, we should pause to reflect on our relation to God. First, creation is his. He is its maker. Second, our desire to draw near to him calls for the devotion that shows itself in purity. Third, those who approach him in this way will find themselves blessed, their greatest desire fulfilled. As the psalm breaks into its great hymn of praise, we are reminded of what that blessing is. It is to find ourselves welcome at the triumph of the King of Glory.

Pointers for prayer

- This is above all the time to remember and give thanks for those who, by word and example, have shown us how to live the life of faith;
- It is also a time to pray for all those who do not know the Christian hope, and have no trust in the love of God;
- Meditate on the rich blessings promised to us in Scripture. How can we best respond to these promises?

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Please continue to reserve a place to attend any Sunday services (not counting children aged 12 and under). This can be done through your My ChurchSuite account or the [church website calendar](#). You can also message/Whatsapp +32 460 950449 or email admin@holyltrinity.be and we will make a reservation for you.

The following measures are in place to keep us COVID-safe in church:

- * Keep 1,5m distance at all times.
- * Use the alcohol gel when you enter church.
- * Masks are obligatory for everyone.
- * Soft singing is allowed beneath masks.

'Hybrid worship' (following and participating in the service in church and online) will continue for Sunday services at 10:30, 14:00 and 18:00.

Please pray for those being **confirmed today** at the 14:00 service: **Catherine Potter, Assana Nebie, Megan & Isaac Wardell, Nicole Anaïs Mugwaneza Uwamahoro, Dylan Kimasa Ruzigandekwe and Jared Mathew** - that they may continue God's for ever, and daily increase in the Holy Spirit more and more until they come to his everlasting kingdom.

Monday 1 November at 20:00 the monthly climate prayer meeting organised by Christian Climate Action Belgium will be held in the church as well as online. All welcome for a short prayer service. Please sign up [here](#) to attend in person, or receive the zoom link by registering [here](#).

Tuesday 2 November is the day of 'The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed' in the Church calendar. There will be **a service at 19:30 'To Remember Those Who Have Died'**; both in the church building and online. After more than 18 months of the pandemic, many of us, and many in the wider Brussels community will have lost loved ones and may not have been able to attend their funerals. This is an opportunity to come together, in **a quiet and reflective service**, to remember them. The names of those who have died will be read out in the course of the service, and printed in the order of service. **Please let Annie Bolger (annie.bolger@holyltrinity.be) know if you would like a person or people to be remembered by name.**

Wednesday 3 November The licensing of the new bishop's chaplain, Alan Strange, will take place at our usual service of Holy Communion, where Bishop Robert will preside. All warmly welcome. Please register [here](#).

Seniors Autumn tea party

We will hold an in-person tea party at the home of Pam Clements (**Saturday, 27 November**) from **15:00 to 16:30**. You are welcome to come along! Please let admin@holyltrinity.be or Pam Clements (pamclements@outlook.com / 0474 970 876) know if you would like to attend.

For your diaries We will be organising a **cleaning day of the church** some time in November. Watch this space! If you would like to participate, please email admin@holyltrinity.be

Flowers If you would like to sponsor the flowers that decorate the church each week, whether in memory of a loved one, celebration of a special event or thanksgiving for answered prayer, do sign up on the calendar in the lobby or contact Carol de Lusignan directly via email (carol.delusignan@skynet.be)
The Flower Team would greatly appreciate this support of their ministry.

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

Thank you!

To hold services in church, we need more hosts!

As we now have increased numbers at services of worship, we must keep everyone COVID-safe! Three volunteers are needed for each service to welcome and direct people, dispense hand sanitizer, maintain social distancing, etc. Training is available and a handy manual is prepared with clear instructions. Please let the office know or email Sunil (for 10:30 service only) at gsunilj@gmail.com if you would like to help, which services you are available for, and which dates. Thank you!

The Prayer Chain

welcomes requests for prayer for any situation with complete confidentiality. Please contact Janine Vrolijk on janine.vrolijk@gmail.com or Carole Ludlow on celudlow@gmail.com.

Gift account for pledges and donations:

The Friends of Holy Trinity
Brussels asbl

IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187
(new bank account!)

Morning and Night Prayer

Would you like to join others at HTB for prayer? Heather Roy is overseeing this ministry and if you have any questions, please email her at heather.roy@gmail.com. Join us at the following links, from Monday to Friday:

- Morning Prayer – 9:00
([Zoom link](#); Meeting ID 828 0903 6058)
 - Night Prayer/Compline – 21:00 ([Zoom link](#); Meeting ID 898 3749 9334)
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Spotlight: Home Groups

At Holy Trinity, a variety of groups meet on a regular basis to share the life of faith together. Home groups offer a space where you can make friends, learn more about the Christian tradition and scriptures, pray together and grow in faith. If you are interested in joining a group or starting/hosting one, please contact Annie Bolger (annie.bolger@holytrinity.be)

Living in Love and Faith How do questions about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage fit within the bigger picture of the good news of Jesus Christ? What does it mean to live in love and faith together as a Church? When there are strongly held differences among us, we are tempted to form like-minded groups or factions. We can all play a part in seeking unity in our Church as well as in the wider community. This course in five video-based sessions, encourages us to find creative ways to grow and learn together in the love of Christ. If you would like to be involved in such a group course please contact Jane Brown (jbrown19203@gmail.com or 0471 06 07 11) or the church office (admin@holytrinity.be).

Advent Meditations It is time to compile our 'book' of meditations for Advent. This is a 'book' of meditations based on the daily lectionary. We assign you a day, you choose a reading and write a few lines on that Bible passage. It is thoughts for the day that our congregation think on during Advent, the time of preparation for the festival of Christmas. If you would like to write a meditation please contact us, David and Jane Brown (jmdjbrown@gmail.com or 0471 06 07 11).

Paul will be taking a sabbatical leave of 3 months starting from 17 January. He hopes to use this time away for deep rest, prayer, retreat, study and some writing, especially on the topic of resilience.

Important notice about church key cards. The keycards that we use to gain access to church buildings are expensive and time consuming for the church to acquire as they have to be programmed by Chubb, the supplier of the door security system. Our stocks are running low and yet there are many keycards held by members of the church community which are not used. The Administrator is therefore asking that if you have a keycard in your possession but no longer need it, please return it to the office. The keycard could be dropped in the letter box or sent through the post to Holy Trinity, Rue Capitaine Crespel 29, 1050 Bruxelles. Thank you for helping us to restore our stock of keycards.

The office is overstocked with paper. If you would like to buy a pack for your home printer the price is €2.50 per pack of 500 sheets A4 white. Contact the Administrator cathedraladmin@holytrinity.be

Accommodation wanted

for one quiet retiree. A studio flat or room with washing facilities and shared kitchen would suffice. Ready to pay fair rent. Call Rita on 0470 11 77 63.

The Wider Church

Christian Climate Action As COP26 begins, CCAB will join the **Rise for Climate March** in Brussels on **31 October**. Meet at 12.30 at Holy Trinity to come along. Find more info on christianclimateaction.be

Save the date! [Godspace](#) is organising a quiet afternoon - 'An invitation to wait' on **27 November from 13:30 to 16:30** at St Anthony's Church Kraainem. Registrations start from 1 November. Contact: ann.r.milton@gmail.com

Online Marriage Course Jan-Piet and Heddy De Visser of **Vineyard Brussels** are holding an **online Marriage Course** starting 1 November. This will run every Monday evening starting at 19:45 for 7 weeks. If you are interested, please register [here](#).

A Men's Retreat will take place at Maredsous Abbey **from Friday 12-Sunday 14 November**; led by Chris Martin (Edinburgh) and Armin Kummer (Leuven). For registration details and other info please [download this document](#).

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