



# HOLY TRINITY

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# BRUSSELS

Easter 4  
30 April 2023

## Our readings this week

### Worship this week

#### Sunday 30, April 2023

**9:00 Holy Communion**

Leading & Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

**10:30 Holy Communion**

Leading & Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

[Zoom; YouTube](#)

**14:00 Holy Communion & Graduation  
Service for Peace & Conflict  
Transformation course  
candidates**

Leading: Bishop Robert

Preaching: Liz Griffiths

[YouTube](#)

**18:00 Service of the Word**

Leading: Guido Bowen

Preaching: John Wilkinson

[Zoom; YouTube](#)

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Contact our Children & Youth  
Coordinator [Philip Milton](#) for more details  
about children's and youth activities.

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#### Wednesday, 3 May 2023

**12:30 Holy Communion**

Leading & Preaching:

Annie Bolger

**Acts 2:42-47** The very early church had a wonderful sense of community. Everything seems to point towards relationships, whether with each other or with God. Praise, prayer, study and teaching are all vital for developing our relationship with God. Care of the community is about relating to each other. Breaking bread, the table fellowship that still provides a distinguishing mark of the Christian church, brings together our relationships with one another and our relationship with God. When we get the relationships right, amazing things happen: and amazing happenings make the church.

**Psalms 23** This favourite psalm is built around two pictures: the shepherd who guides, protects and cares for his flock; and the generous host. What is on offer to us is goodness, love and the protection of the Lord as our eternal lot. This poem is about one person. But sheep live in flocks. The individual is cared for within the flock.

**1 Peter 2:19-25** Jesus accepted suffering for an unselfish purpose. By trusting God through the worst that humanity could do to him he brought us, his wandering sheep, back to the fold. His action presents us with a pattern and a model for our lives. When we suffer unjustly, revenge and retaliation should have no place in our concerns.

**John 10:1-10** There are two parables here. First, Jesus is like a shepherd who acts openly towards his flock, leading them to what they need for a healthy life. Second, he warns us that anyone who claims to be a shepherd but does not come through him is, in fact, a robber. Whenever we follow him, or follow one who comes through him, it is to life in all its fullness.

#### Pointers for prayer

- Pray for the community to be devoted both to its master and to its members
- May Jesus watch over all those who find themselves in the valley of the shadow of death; may we be instruments at his service in that work
- Jesus' willingness to suffer for us sets a high standard for us to follow

[Our programme for the month](#)

# Welcome to Holy Trinity!

This afternoon at 14:00 we celebrate **the graduation of 17 candidates of the Peace and Conflicts Transformation course** held over the last six months. The certificates will be presented by Bishop Robert Innes. Please join us for this Service which is followed by a reception down in the Walker Hall. Your presence and support will be a great joy to us.

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## Gift account for **pledges and donations:**

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We would like to take this opportunity to announce that the registration for the next course, starting in October is now open. Please go here to sign up: <https://holytrinitybrussels.churchsuite.com/forms/nyvgqxm> or email [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be) To find out more, please visit our website [www.centreforpeace.be](http://www.centreforpeace.be) Jean-Bosco Turahirwa

*"Blessed are the peacemakers."*

Musicians from Ukraine and Latvia unite for a unique tribute to peace in Ukraine in a concert called **'Angiol di Pace'** on **3 May at 19:30** at Holy Trinity Brussels. Free admission, voluntary donations welcome.

There will be a **Service of Prayer for HM Charles III**, in preparation for his upcoming coronation. The service will take place on Thursday, 4 May 2023 at 19:00.

**Confirmation service** Join us for a joyful service of Confirmation with Bishop Robert **on Sunday 7 May at the 14:00** service! At the Confirmation service, we gather to support the candidates as they publicly profess their faith and confirm their baptismal promises..... and if you want to bring a cake/biscuits/nibbles to enhance the celebrations, please do! Please pray for the confirmands, 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.

**The Annual General Meeting of Holy Trinity** will take place on **Wednesday 10 May** via zoom at **19:30**, with a **Finance Meeting** the previous week on **3 May**. Due to a concert being held in church on the 3<sup>rd</sup> evening, the finance meeting will run twice at 17:00 and at 19:30 so as to enable everyone to attend. To participate and vote in the Annual Meeting you need to be on the 'Electoral Roll'. A copy of the updated Electoral Roll will be posted in the church lobby. Please take a minute to check if your name is there and your details are correct.

**Meditation walk** A rather slow walk in silence in order to 'stop' and fully enjoy the awesomeness of Spring; to draw and absorb beauty and joy from everything we see, hear and smell; to thank and praise God in our hearts, and to get refreshed spiritually, emotionally, mentally and physically!!

Woluwe Park, Thursday 11/5, 11:00. Contact Janine ([janine.vrolijk@gmail.com](mailto:janine.vrolijk@gmail.com)) (or church office) for further details.

**Visit from Christians Aware 15-19 June** Christians Aware is an interdenominational, educational and international charity. See: <http://www.christiansaware.co.uk> .co.uk for more information. A small group of members is looking forward to visiting Holy Trinity Brussels from June 15 - 19. This will be an exciting visit and we know that there will be new friends to meet. We hope that this opportunity will be the beginning of a new link of friendship, and that members of Holy Trinity can join a Christians Aware event in the future. If you are interested to be involved to host a guest, or a couple, please contact <mailto:admin@holytrinity.be> or talk to Paul Vrolijk.

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## The Prayer Chain

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

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

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### Online Morning and Night Prayer

On weekday mornings at 9:00 some of us from the various congregations join together to pray. We use the app found at <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray> Everyday the congregation is different, you may know the people you may not but we join together as children of God. The service lasts about 15 minutes. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82809036058#success> and the password htb.

On weekday evenings at 21:00 some of us from the various congregations join together to pray. We use the app found at <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>. Everyday the congregation is different, you may know the people, you may not but we join together as children of God. The service lasts about 20 minutes. The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89837499334#success> and the password htb.

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**For requests and offers of accommodation or employment, Holy Trinity Brussels is not responsible for asking for appropriate checks and references, nor for any contracts. These are the responsibility of all the parties involved.**

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## CALLING ALL RUNNERS AND WALKERS

The Community Kitchen is organizing a team for the **20km de Bruxelles on Sunday, 28 May**. Anyone excited to tour the city by either running or walking is invited to join the team to support a project close to our church community, the Community Kitchen. By participating as part of the #20KforCK Team, your registration contribution will help provide funding for 100 warm, nutritious, and tasty meals to serve our neighbours in Brussels. Information:

Registration fee: 60 euros

Link for registration: <https://forms.gle/xdjfeUSHGn9y6JY89>

Link to join the #20KforCK WhatsApp group for team coordination, training tips and team encouragement:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Dc5WdyAtp6RGFFdz7Jydfk>

More information about the race: <https://www.20kmdebruxelles.be/nl/>

We are hoping to organize a post-race meal for the team to refuel after crossing the finish line. Stay tuned for more details!

Questions? Contact Haven Hightower at [hightower.haven@gmail.com](mailto:hightower.haven@gmail.com) or +33488571039 (WhatsApp) for more information.

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.

## Accommodation wanted

1. A new member of Holy Trinity is looking for a one-bedroom flat/accommodation in Brussels and can pay between 800-900eur per month (all inclusive). If you can help please email [joshuakingsley08@gmail.com](mailto:joshuakingsley08@gmail.com) or call 0498 024026.
2. We are delighted that Valentina Franzerolli, a well-known violinist at HTB is returning to Brussels by August. She is in search of accommodation. Her specifications are: a bright 1-bedroom apartment of more than 45m<sup>2</sup> for two people. Maximum budget is 950€ without fees; especially looking at Etterbeek; St. Gilles, Ixelles, Woluwe-Saint-Pierre, Woluwe-Saint-Lambert, Brussels centre and Evere are fine too. Furnished is a plus; Washing machine and dishwasher are a plus too. Proximity to public transportation, especially metro/tram, or to the Schuman train station is the main requirement. Contact: [vfranzaroli@gmail.com](mailto:vfranzaroli@gmail.com) +39 3665949446 (WhatsApp/Telegram/SMS)

## The Wider Church

**The chapel for Europe** (Rue Van Maerlantstraat 22-24 B-1040 Brussels) is running a series of 5 workshops on **Spirituality for busy people**. The third one will be held on Thursday, **11 May** from **18:30-21:30** and is entitled **MAKING GOOD DECISIONS (Art of Spiritual Discernment)** led by **Krystian Sowa SJ**. For more details on the Speakers, other practical information and to know how to sign up, please go [here](#) or contact [welcome@chapelforeurope.eu](mailto:welcome@chapelforeurope.eu).

**LifeStream Europe** is organising **LSE23 'Together'** a summer event for International Christians in Europe (English speaking) from **1-5 August** at HopperDeKluis, Belgium. Camp, bunk or stay off-site. Programmes for all ages – Worship, Teaching, Prayer, Fun. For more info and booking, see poster in church lobby or go here <http://www.life-stream.eu>.

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