



# HOLY TRINITY BRUSSELS

Epiphany 3  
23 January 2022

## Worship this week

### Sunday 23 January, 2022

#### **9:00 Holy Communion**

Leading: Annie Bolger  
Preaching:  
Jonathan Halliwell

#### **10:30 Holy Communion**

Leading: Annie Bolger  
Preaching:  
Jonathan Halliwell

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

#### **14:00 Holy Communion**

Leading: Jean-Bosco  
Turahirwa  
Preaching: John Wilkinson

[YouTube](#)

#### **18:00 Service of the Word**

Leading: Mags Bird  
Preaching: Eric Sibomana

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

### Wednesday 26 January, 2022

#### **12:30 Holy Communion**

Annie Bolger

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

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## Our readings this week

**Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10** Israel returned from exile and rebuilt the temple and the city walls, but this only became a secure base when God's self-revelation to his people could again be heard and understood. It is read to the people, at their request, in an atmosphere of worship. The scribes help the people understand. As they come face-to-face with what God has done for them, it becomes a day of emotion and rejoicing.

**Psalms 19** The whole creation testifies to God's glory. His light shines on us all, his voice speaks and his word is addressed to the very ends of the earth, full of truth and insight. If we recognize it, we know that we can rely on it and that there is nothing more precious in the world. Before God's purity we sense our own inadequacy and we can only pray that we will be acceptable. We know the answer to that prayer. After all, we have a redeemer.

**1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a** The Christian community crosses the boundaries that separate people. The Spirit creates this community, makes us part of it and endows us with gifts. Each of us is nothing outside the community, but uniquely precious within it. Everyone is special, but none is more special than the others: we each bring the gifts God has given us to the service of the whole church.

**Luke 4: 14-21** Jesus begins his public ministry by announcing that God's long-foreseen redemption is happening at last. This is uncomfortable, for it is one thing to read about this happening to others, but "today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." For some, this is a moment of great emotion and joy: a liberation. For others, it is more than they bargained for. There is no avoiding taking a position. How do we react to Jesus' news for us?

### Pointers for prayer

- Pray that God's redeeming word will be heard and understood across the world;
- Each of us is uniquely gifted to serve in the Christian community. How well am I using my gift?
- Meditate on how God has made himself known to us, and rejoice.

## Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Following the announcement by the Belgian government recently on the Covid situation in Brussels, we can report that for now nothing will change for us at Holy Trinity. **However, we would like to ask you to remain diligent in booking for services** through ChurchSuite or through the church calendar on our website: [holytrinity.be/churchsuite-calendar](https://holytrinity.be/churchsuite-calendar). If you need any help, please email [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be) or call us.

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 over 6 years of age.
- \* 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.

**Serving in church** - Are you looking for ways to volunteer your time or talents? Perhaps you might be a service host, an intercessor, a broadcaster... we will gladly train you for these roles or other ministries. Just let us know which service(s) you attend and what ministries you are interested in! Please be in touch: [admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@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. **We plan to start a group mid-February.** If you would like to be part of a group please contact Jane Brown ([jbrown19203@gmail.com](mailto:jbrown19203@gmail.com) or 0471 06 07 11) or the church office ([admin@holytrinity.be](mailto:admin@holytrinity.be)).

The **Thursday evening online homegroup** is starting a series of meetings looking at the last weeks of Jesus's life, firstly as told in the Gospel of John and then comparing the accounts of the Synoptic Gospels. 19:45-20:00 social, 20:00-20:55 discussion. We then join the daily Compline service. Contact David Brown ([jmdjbrown@gmail.com](mailto:jmdjbrown@gmail.com)) for Zoom details.

The annual evening of **Taizé prayer for Unity** is taking place in the **Eglise Sainte Croix**, on the Place Flagey on **Tuesday 1 February at 20:00**. We have been especially invited to join in. If you would like to rehearse the songs ahead of the service, just come along at 19:30. More information from [john.wilkinson@holytrinity.be](mailto:john.wilkinson@holytrinity.be).

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**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](mailto:carol.delusignan@skynet.be))

The Flower Team would greatly appreciate this support of their ministry.

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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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*Gift account for pledges  
and donations:*

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**The Environment Group of HTB** would like to encourage you to participate in the "**Big Garden Bird Census**" with Natagora – **January 29 & 30**. In your own garden or in a nearby park or square : watch for at least an hour and take note of your observations. If you wish to do so in the church garden itself, let us know! Then record the birds spotted via the [Natagora site](#) - which also has a handy guide to help you recognize different species. A great way to enjoy nature in all its beauty and diversity and contribute to useful research! For more info or to get a paper version of the bird identification guide, contact [manodoye@gmail.com](mailto:manodoye@gmail.com).

### **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 or email [Riteke42@gmail.com](mailto:Riteke42@gmail.com)

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#### **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](mailto: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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#### **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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**Central Committee of the Anglican Church in Belgium (based at HTB)**

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