



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

Last Sunday after Trinity
23 October 2022

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday 23 October, 2022

9:00 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching:
Paul Vrolijk

10:30 Holy Communion & Baptism

Leading: Annie Bolger
Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

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

14:00 Holy Communion

Leading: Jean-Bosco Turahirwa
Preaching: Grace West

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Service of the Word

Leading: John Wilkinson
Preaching: Jacob Quick

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

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

Wednesday 26, October 2022

**12:30 Holy Communion and
Commissioning of Bishop Richard
Frith as Assistant Bishop in the
Diocese in Europe**

Preacher & President:
Bishop Robert

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-end However great Israel's sense of sin, Jeremiah recalls that God has put himself in the midst of his people. Israel is his. It is because Jeremiah recognises and admits the sin of Israel that he can appeal to God on their behalf. Because the Lord is Israel's God, he is also their hope.

Psalms 84 Where do we find true and lasting joy? For the pilgrim psalmist there is no doubt: happiness is to be found in the presence of the Lord and in his service. The humblest role in God's service is better than all else: a day with God is better than a thousand elsewhere. Those who trust in God lack no good thing. This is easy to say. What is my experience?

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 At his court hearing Paul was alone, save for God. Yet he is at peace, for the gospel has been proclaimed and he trusts in God. How he does so comes in the first part of the reading. There Paul uses two pictures. First, he sees his life as a sacrifice that gives glory to God. Second, he sees himself as an athlete who, having completed the course, can look forward with confidence to the prize awarded by the righteous judge.

Luke 18:9-14 Jesus contrasts two modes of prayer: the one that believes he deserves a sympathetic hearing; the other who in his humility dares not even look towards God. Jesus does not suggest that the Pharisee was being dishonest about himself, or that the tax collector was a good man. His point was rather their different attitudes before God. It is not in exalting ourselves that we will find ourselves accepted by God.

Pointers for prayer

- If we lay our faults and fears before God, we can trust ourselves to his love;
- When we pray for the needs of the church with humble honesty, we can pray with hope; God has placed himself in the midst of his people;
- It is when our lives give glory to God that they acquire true value. He will not overlook our efforts in his service, whatever the outcome.

[Our Service programme for the month](#)

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

It remains important that all of us feel able to come to church in person if we wish and feel safe and secure in doing so. Services continue to be online as before. There is no need to register to attend services. Anyone may wear a mask if they wish. There is designated seating for those who wish to wear masks and sit socially distanced.

- **Holy Communion:** We may share the Peace physically, but please be sensitive to those who may prefer not to. Simply ask your neighbour what they are comfortable with! We are now able to receive wine if we are comfortable doing so. More details will be given at services.

Please feel free to ask questions about any of these arrangements. We pray that God will bless and protect us as we move into this new stage of our community's life.

At this morning's 10:30 service we will be **baptizing Josephine and Isabel Thursby, daughters of Cerys Turner and Jordan Thursby**. We welcome them and their families into our Church family.

Important message from Council. It has been decided that in view of the rising energy costs and our commitment to the environment we will heat the church buildings to 15.5°C this winter. Previously we have heated the church to 19°C but this seems inappropriate in the current situation. It will therefore be important to dress appropriately when the cold weather arrives.

Today - **23 October Walk for your future** - Join us to march for the climate in Brussels! A group will leave for the march from Holy Trinity after the morning service. Bring your friends and family - we need as many people as possible out on the streets to walk for climate justice! There is even [a song sheet](#) available from Christian Climate Action if you'd like to warm up your voices in advance ...

Seniors' Autumn tea party

We will hold an in-person tea party at the home of Pam Clements at 31 Avenue Leopold III, 1970 Wezembeek-Oppem on **Wednesday, 23 November** from **15:00 to 17:30**. 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.

Can you join a Team? ... We need **Service hosts, Coffee team and Crèche helpers** for the 10:30 service. If you would like to volunteer for these, and other church activities, feel welcome to [register here](#).

Our annual **Men's Retreat** with the German-speaking Protestant Church in Belgium (DEGB) will be held at **Maredsous Abbey** in the Ardennes from the evening of **Friday 11 to the afternoon of Sunday 13 November**, and will be led by former HTB Associate Chaplain, Chris Martin, and KU Leuven theologian, Armin Kummer. For more information and registration details, please see the [flyer](#) on the notice board in the church lobby.

Gift account for **pledges and donations:**

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prayer for any situation
with complete

confidentiality. Please
contact Janine Vrolijk on
janine.vrolijk@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!

**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.

Ministries Fayre 13 November is proving to be a busier day than we anticipated. Consequently, we are having to postpone the Ministries Fayre again. The new date will be in January.

Advent Meditations We are starting to organise Holy Trinity meditations. These are meditations written by members of our congregations. Each meditation is based on a reading from the daily lectionary. We assign the days; you choose which of the four readings on which to write a few lines. If you would like to write a meditation, please let us know. Jane and David Brown jmdjbrown@gmail.com or 0471 06 07 11.

The latest edition of the magazine **European Anglicans** is available [here](#).

The Wider Church

FCJ Centre of Spirituality 211 Ave. Winston Churchill, 1180, Brussels offers the following:

Sunday 30th Oct. 15.00 - 17.30

'Labyrinth Retreat': 'Autumn Surrender'(Potluck supper included in timetable).

Sunday 13th Nov. 15.00 -17.00 (Zoom event)

'Companionship with Jesus and its intrinsic relationship with caring for our World'

Saturday 19th Nov.10.30 - 13.00

'Come as you are, that's how I want you' (Paul Gurr) (Potluck lunch included in timetable)

Sunday 27th Nov. 15.00 - 17.30

'Advent Retreat' (in person). (Potluck supper included in timetable)

For further information, visit www.fcjcentre.be or, email fcj@fcjcentre.be, or tel.02 348 9561

Be part of Research If you are over 65 years of age and would like to contribute and be part of a patients & carers council, send an email to info@besafe.eu. More info available on www.be_safe.eu and the poster in the church lobby.

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