

Palm Sunday 2 April 2023

### Worship this week

### Sunday 2, April 2023

9:00 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

10:30 AAW Holy Communion

Leading: Paul Vrolijk Preaching: Heather Roy

### Zoom; YouTube

14:00 Holy Communion

Leading: Grace West Preaching: Charles Kabera

### **YouTube**

18:00 Stations of the Passion

Leading: John Wilkinson

### Zoom

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

### Wednesday, 5 April 2023

### 12:30 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching: Annie Bolger

## Our readings this week

**Isaiah 50:4-9a** Christians see Jesus in the "suffering servant" of Isaiah. Four times the servant points us to the Sovereign Lord. It is from him that the saving word comes; to him that the servant listens; to him that he gives obedience; in him that lies his hope; to him that he looks for vindication.

**Philippians 2:5-11** Jesus does not treat his exalted state as something to be snatched at or clung to, but makes himself nothing, taking human form as a servant. As a servant, he is obedient to the limit of human imagining. He knows suffering, accepting a horrifying death. The result is vindication. Jesus is exalted, as part of the very being of God, to receive the worship of the whole created order. We are called to be of one mind, as Jesus was of one mind in his obedience to God.

**Psalm 31** There are 4 great themes in this psalm. First, the psalmist's reliance on God as his place of refuge; last, his praise before the wonderful delivery that God offers. We are invited to focus on the two middle themes. First comes the cry of the one who is abandoned and betrayed by all human love and support. Second, his prayer to the God from whom alone can come deliverance.

**Matthew 21 1-11** Jesus' entry into Jerusalem is immensely symbolic. Matthew emphasizes this in the way in which he introduces Old Testament allusions. On the great day of the Lord, Jesus enters Jerusalem as its king, bringing salvation. He does not come as a mighty conqueror, but humbly, as one who comes in peace. As the crowd greets him, the key question remains: "Who is this?"

### Pointers for prayer

- Pray for all who are in distress, to find God's rescue;
- Pray that every time our actions and words betray Jesus, we may find repentance and forgiveness;
- Before such faithfulness, before the solitary dignity that won our salvation, we can only fall on our knees in worship.

Our service programme for the month

# Our Church Council meeting will take place on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 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.

# Our Services for Holy Week & Easter

**Welcome to Holy Trinity!** 

Chrism Eucharist, Tuesday - 4 April 11:00
Holy Communion, Wednesday - 5 April 12:30
Holy Communion, Maundy Thursday - 6 April 19:30
Family friendly service, Good Friday - 7 April 10:30
Devotional Service, Good Friday - 7 April 12:00-15:00
\* The Crucifixion by John Stainer,
Good Friday - 7 April 19:30

Vigil, Holy Saturday – 8 April 21:00 Easter Day, 9 April – usual Sunday service times

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

The Friends of Holy Trinity
Brussels asbl

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Community Kitchen
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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 or Carole Ludlow on celudlow@gmail.com.

\* The Crucifixion by John Stainer will be sung by Holy Trinity Singers. Tenor, Kerry Turner. Bass, Floris Lammens. Organ, Margaret Todd. Directed by David Mitchell. We hope that you can join us for this reflection on the Passion of Christ on Good Friday at 19:30. Free admission.

Lent booklets The meditations for Lent written by members of our community are still available on the church website https://www.holytrinity.be/lent-and-easter. You can read them daily or download book. They as are posted daily on https://meditationswrittenbymembersofholytrinityprocathedral.wordpress.com/ and the Holy Trinity Brussels Facebook page.

This year's **Bishop's Lent appeal** is to support the Anglican community of St Augustine's in Rabat, Morocco. Read all about it in <u>Bishop David's letter</u>. Contributions can be made via Holy Trinity from our donation station or to **The Friends of Holy Trinity IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187 with reference 'bishop's lent appeal'**. All funds will then be transferred to the Diocesan account in the UK.

Easter Lilies As in previous years, the flower team invites you to give Easter lilies in memory of departed loved ones. Each lily costs €2.50 and envelopes are available at the back of church, or you could pay via our donation station. Please put the name(s) of those you wish to commemorate on the envelope and the corresponding amount of money inside and return to the basket. If you wish to contribute by bank transfer, please send your donation to The Friends of Holy Trinity Brussels asbl IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187 with reference LILIES and email Carol de Lusignan (carol.delusignan@skynet.be) with the names of those you wish to remember.

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

Thank you!

**Easter Sunday** Please bring some (simple) finger foods on Easter Sunday to make our time of refreshments after the 10:30 service extra special (Easter special!)! *Thank you.* (janine.vrolijk@gmail.com)

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. See poster here.

# 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/82 809036058#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.churchofenglan d.org/prayer-andworship/join-us-service-dailyprayer. 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/89 837499334#success and the password htb.

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.

# The Annual General Meeting of Holy Trinity will take place

on **Wednesday 10 May** via zoom, with a **Finance Meeting** the previous week on **3 May**. To participate and vote in the Annual Meeting you need to be on the 'Electoral Roll'. Most people in our congregation are on the Electoral Roll already. To confirm whether you are on the Electoral Roll, please contact Lieve Cordeel, our electoral roll officer on <a href="mailto:finance@holytrinity.be">finance@holytrinity.be</a>. If you want to be on the Electoral Roll and you are 16 years old or older and have been worshipping with us for more than 6 months, you can <a href="mailto:fill in our online Form">fill in our online Form</a>. **Please note forms must be submitted at the latest two weeks before the AGM date, by 26 April.** 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. For any issue with registration or filling in the online Form please contact Lieve.

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

**Accommodation wanted** A young Masters level student Tomas Marhefka is looking for accommodation in Brussels from 14th June to 26th July (6 weeks). During his stay, he will be employed by the office of a member of the European Parliament. If you can help or if you know of any place, please contact him via email <a href="mailto:tmarhefka811@gmail.com">tmarhefka811@gmail.com</a> or phone +421940240340.

# 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 second one will be held on Thursday, 20 April from 18:30-21:30 and is entitled "finding clarity and strength for your journey (Resilience)" led by our Senior Chaplain, Paul Vrolijk. For more details on the Speakers, other practical information and to know how to sign up, please go <a href="here">here</a> or contact <a href="here">welcome@chapelforeurope.eu</a>.

**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 <a href="http://www.life-stream.eu">http://www.life-stream.eu</a>.

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