

Remembrance
13 November 2022

# Our readings this week

## Worship this week

### Sunday 13 November, 2022

9:00 Holy Communion Leading & Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

10:30 Holy Communion Leading: Annie Bolger Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

#### Zoom; YouTube

14:00 Holy Communion

Leading: Jean-Bosco Turahirwa/

**Grace West** 

Preaching: Jean-Bosco Turahirwa

## <u>YouTube</u>

18:00 Service of the Word

Leading: Mags Bird Preaching: John Wilkinson

Zoom; YouTube

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

#### Wednesday 16, November 2022

#### 12:30 Holy Communion

Preacher & Leader Annie Bolger Malachi 4:1-2a The Old Testament concludes with a warning that the Day of the Lord will come. It will be far from agreeable for the arrogant, whose achievements will vanish in an instant: but it will be a time of joy for the believer. There is a lovely picture of the sun rising, as if on wings, revealing the righteous in its glorious light.

**Psalm 98** When God wins the victory for his people before the eyes of the world, it calls for a new song in which the whole created order can join in. God's people always have the awareness that God is coming to set matters to rights. When he does so, wrongs will be corrected, injustice will be overturned, the oppressed will be set free. Evenhanded, righteous justice will be the order of the day. Judah had cause to sing this new song. Christians have even more.

**2 Thessalonians 3:6-13** Paul rebukes believers who had downed tools. Many a struggle has been lost because people gave up too soon, sometimes in despair, sometimes because they thought it was all over. Paul warns us not to make this mistake, but to keep working at the Christian life without allowing ourselves to become weary.

**Luke 21:5-19** Jesus gives his disciples three strong messages. First, worship does not depend on the magnificence of buildings. Second, beware of listening to cranks and frauds who claim to know God's purposes before they happen. Third, Christians should keep their heads down and stick to the Christian life in all the troubles that must come. Don't worry, he says. Stand firm! The victory belongs to God, who will see you through.

#### Pointers for prayer

- Pray for God's strength to lead Christian lives, even when times are hard.
- We must never be complacent, either about the evil around us, or about the account that we will have to give to God.
- Yet we can rejoice and praise him for the salvation that his love has won for us.
- We can express our thanks to God in beautiful gifts. But we must not let the gifts get in the way of thanking God!

Our Service programme for the month

# **Welcome to Holy Trinity!**

A note from the Treasurer about energy costs. Our energy supplier has raised

our monthly contribution from €736 to €2,011 starting in November. Gas accounts for 75% of the charge and should help us to understand the Council decision to reduce the heating in church from 19°C to 15.5°C. We trust that this move will soften the blow and keep the actual charge below the estimate of and donations: the energy supplier.

> Please pray for John Wilkinson who, in his capacity as Chaplain of the Royal British Legion in Brussels is officiating at a Service of Remembrance this morning at the Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery in Heverlee near Leuven.

> We remember with much gratitude Simon Robbins-Van Rijn who passed away on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October, in England. Simon served as Secretary to the Anglican Council for Belgium and the Archdeaconry for several years while he lived in Brussels. A memorial service for Simon will take place on 18 November at 14:00 at St. Matthias Church, Babbacombe Rd, Torquay TQ1 1HW, Devon, followed by a small reception. (For logistical purposes only) if you would like to attend, please email scarlett\_sharp@outlook.com or paulinaemma@outlook.com. Instead of flowers, if you wish to make a donation it can be directed to the Motor Neurone Disease Association Sort Code: 30-96-09 Account Number: 0295 2679 IBAN: GB28 LOYD 3096 0902 9526 79 BIC / SWIFT: LOYDGB 217071 Reference number: 1415003.

> **Soapy Sunday is next week!** If you are able, please bring to church women's sanitary items, nappies, shower gel, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, men's razors and shave cream, and new underwear for women, men and children. Thank you!

# 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@holytrinity.be or Pam Clements (pamclements@outlook.com / 0474 970 876) know if you would like to attend.

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 imdibrown@gmail.com or 0471 06 07 11.

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, the 29th.

The latest edition of the magazine **European Anglicans** is available <u>here.</u>

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.

# Gift account for **pledges**

The Friends of Holy Trinity Brussels asbl IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187

Donations to the **Community Kitchen** @HTB ASBL Gift Account IBAN BE92 3631 1846 4423 BIC code: BBRUBEBB

#### **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.

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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/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 <u>837499334#success</u> and the password htb.

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

Thank you!

It has been mentioned by some that it is difficult to have a conversation in the Walker Hall after the morning service because there is too much noise. We would like to assess to what extent this is a problem. If you have any comments on this issue, please send them to Daniel – <a href="mailto:Daniel.Maleki@holytrinity.be">Daniel.Maleki@holytrinity.be</a>. Thank you! – Sue Bird, Facilities Working Group.

**Help with church website** Do you have experience with website support? Holy Trinity is looking for a volunteer to help with the church website. Please email <a href="mailto:annie.bolger@holytrinity.be">annie.bolger@holytrinity.be</a> to learn more.

Want to help make St Nicolas special? If you would like to make St Nicolas special for a child or teenager in need, then please sign up to our 'Have a Heart' campaign which we are doing once again with Les Cailloux. The list of children and presents wished for is found here, together with a helpful list of links where the presents can be bought. All you need to do is to choose the child you wish to support, put your name against this, buy the gift and deliver it wrapped with the child's name on it to Holy Trinity by Thursday, 1 December 2022 at the latest. Alternatively, if this is not possible for you but you would still like to contribute, you can make a bank transfer of 25€ to the following account: BE67 1030 7048 2187 with 'Have a Heart 2022' as a reference. Any questions, please contact Geraldine Barry (Geraldine.barry@ec.europa.eu).

ACCOMMODATION WANTED: A member of our congregation Johnson Oyero who attends our 10:30 services is looking for a furnished studio for rent. His budget is 500-600eur/month. He needs to vacate his current apartment by the 25 November. If you could be of help please email johnsonoyero22@gmail.com or WhatsApp +39 3533727428 or call him directly on +32 498 135715.

# The Wider Church

# FCJ Centre of Spirituality 211 Ave. Winston Churchill, 1180,

Brussels offers the following:

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 <a href="www.fcjcentre.be">www.fcjcentre.be</a> or, email <a href="fcj@fcjcentre.be">fcj@fcjcentre.be</a>, or tel.02 348 9561

**Vineyard Brussels** will be hosting two events – one is an **All-age event on 13 November** and the other is **a youth concert on 18 November** with a troupe of Native American musicians and dancers. There is a detailed poster up in the church lobby. For more info visit their websites "Broken Walls" (music, culture, and respect) - http://brokenwalls.com/ and "Carry The Cure" (suicide prevention) - https://www.carrythecure.org/

The Brussels Evensong Choir invites you to the Chapel for Europe on Advent Sunday 27th of

November 2022 at 17:00 -

Introit - the Advent Responsory arr. Palestrina Preces and Responses - Thomas Tomkins

Canticles - Stanford in G

Psalm 26 - J. Turle

Anthem - 1st movement of Cantata 140, Wachet Auf - Bach.

You are kindly invited to a small reception afterwards.

**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 <u>info@besafe.eu</u>. More info available on <u>www.be safe.eu</u> and the poster in the church lobby.

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