



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

Trinity 19
10 October 2021

Worship this week

Sunday 10 October, 2021

9:00 Holy Communion
Paul Vrolijk

10:30 Holy Communion
Paul Vrolijk

[Zoom: YouTube](#)

14:00 Service of the Word
John Wilkinson

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Service of the Word
Annie Bolger

[Zoom: YouTube](#)

Contact our Children's and Youth worker [Anna Zödi](#) for more details about children's and youth activities.

Wednesday 13 October, 2021

12:30 Holy Communion

*Recordings of services
will be available
from Monday morning
onwards on our
YouTube channel.*

Our readings this week

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Job feels that his suffering is unjust. Like so many in times of trouble, he longs to reason his situation with God, to understand. Yet he also senses his own insignificance before God. In this moment of Job's crisis, God seems absent and no sense of meaning is forthcoming. This leads Job to another familiar human reaction to trouble: the longing for escape.

Hebrews 4:12-16 God's word cuts us to the quick, showing us up for what we really are. Nothing about us is hidden from God. How important, then, to hold firmly to Jesus, who understands our weakness and is ready to act in our support. With him, we can seek God's gracious forgiveness – and be sure to obtain it.

Mark 10:17-31 Who can get into the kingdom? Linking with the previous passage in the gospel, it is easier for someone with childlike simplicity than for the wealthy and powerful. It is not by conformity with the law, but by total self-giving to Christ that we can enter the kingdom. Wealth can form such a barrier, for we may be more attached to it than to God. Yet it is worth giving up anything for Christ. Those who commit to him will get back many times over what they have surrendered.

Pointers for prayer

- Where does my heart lie: with Jesus, or with my worldly goods? Dare I put my all at the disposal of Christ? Could I even take a step on that path?
- Pray for all who are in positions of authority, not to be led astray by the temptations of wealth and control;
- We long to leave something of value to our children and to our grandchildren. What could it be?

The flowers today are offered to the Glory of God and in celebration of the birth of Isabel Thursby, by her parents Jordan and Cerys.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Please continue to reserve a place to attend any Sunday services (not counting children aged 12 and under). This can be done through your My ChurchSuite account or the [church website calendar](#). You can also message/Whatsapp +32 460 950449 or email admin@holytrinity.be and we will make a reservation for you.

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.
- * 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.

We are grateful for the useful donations received at our Harvest services last week. These will be used by the Community Kitchen and the Protestant Social Center. Having Harvest on our minds, we hope you continue your discussions at home and keep wondering around the dinner table: *I wonder... What was small in our lives that became so much bigger? I wonder... What could we do to help God's creation? God has given us the responsibility to take care and protect everything that He owns.* - Anna Zödi

Spotlight: Home Groups

At Holy Trinity, a variety of groups meet on a regular basis to share the life of faith together. Home groups offer a space where you can make friends, learn more about the Christian tradition and scriptures, pray together and grow in faith. If you are interested in joining a group or starting/hosting one, please contact Annie Bolger (annie.bolger@holytrinity.be)

Alpha Online

St Michael's, Paris and Holy Trinity Brussels are running an online Alpha course starting from 13 October. You can sign up to attend the course [here](#). Each session is from 20:00 to 21:30. If anyone is interested in helping to lead a group, they are very welcome too! If so, please email admin@holytrinity.be. Please keep this project in your prayers.

Seniors Autumn tea party

We plan to hold two tea parties this season: one on zoom (**Monday, 25 October**) and the other in person at the home of Pam Clements (**Saturday, 27 November**). These will be held from **15:00 to 16:30**. You are welcome to come along to both! Please let admin@holytrinity.be or Pam Clements (pamclements@outlook.com / 0474 970 876) know if you would like to attend either or both of these parties. Personal invitations will be sent out shortly and the zoom link will be communicated in due course.

Paul will be taking a sabbatical leave of 3 months starting from 17 January. He hopes to use this time away for deep rest, prayer, retreat, study and some writing, especially on the topic of resilience.

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)*

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

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.

Gift account for pledges and donations:

The Friends of Holy Trinity
Brussels asbl

IBAN: BE67 1030 7048 2187
([new bank account!](#))

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. 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)

For your diaries Following the successful upgrade of the toilets and office area in the CLJ and the planned re-entry of our children and youth groups to church, we are planning **two cleaning days**: The CLJ area: **Saturday morning 23 October**; and for the church: **Saturday morning 20 November**. If you would like to participate, please email admin@holytrinity.be

To hold services in church, we need more hosts!

As we now have increased numbers at services of worship, we must keep everyone COVID-safe! Three volunteers are needed for each service to welcome and direct people, dispense hand sanitizer, maintain social distancing, etc. Training is available and a handy manual is prepared with clear instructions. Please let the office know or email Sunil (for 10:30 service only) at gsunil@gmail.com if you would like to help, which services you are available for, and which dates. Thank you!

The office is overstocked with paper. If you would like to buy a pack for your home printer the price is €2.50 per pack of 500 sheets A4 white. Contact the Administrator cathedraladmin@holytrinity.be

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.

Babysitter needed! We are looking for someone to look after our three children on Tuesday afternoons (and odd days here and there, depending on your availability). It would be from 15:30-19:00 and involve collecting the children from school and bringing them home. We're looking for someone who speaks either French or English and will have fun with the children, as well be caring and responsible! If you are interested please email me directly at catriona.laing@holytrinity.be.

The Wider Church

Re-discover the Gospel-How to read the Bible with new eyes!

by [Lois Tverberg](#), PHD. This is an invitation to Diocesan wide zoom meetings on **Friday 22 and Saturday 23 October from 14:00 to 16:00**. To join the zoom sessions, please register with Revd Elizabeth Bussmann at: bemdeo@gmail.com by Monday 18th October 2021.

Christian Climate Action Belgium holds a short reflective online prayer session on the 1st of each month, to pray for climate justice and this year's all-important COP26. The next is on **1 November** at 20:00. All are welcome - please use [this link](#) to receive the meeting details.

10 October - March for the Climate - thousands of people will walk through the streets of Brussels today to show their support for urgent climate action. Meet at HTB after the morning service (12:30) to go to the march with Christian Climate Action Belgium christianclimateaction.be

Led by **art therapist Esther**, 8 week long art workshops are being run (based on Mindfulness) at the **Green Brush, Watermael-Boitsfort**. The aim of the programme is to acquire palpable ways to handle challenging feelings, thoughts, physical sensations or contexts. The dates are 24/9, 1/10, 8/10, 15/10, 22/10, 29/10, 5/11, 19/11 (Fridays from 19:00 to 20:30). To get further info please email ah_sea@hotmail.com or simply go to www.artsofprocess.com.

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