



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

Trinity 20 - Edith Cavell
17 October 2021

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday 17 October, 2021

9:00 Holy Communion

Leading: Teus Vermeer
Preaching: John Wilkinson

10:30 Holy Communion

Leading: Ozzy Baron
Preaching: John Wilkinson

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

14:00 Service of the Word

Leading: Charles Kabera
Preaching: Eric Sibomana

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Service of the Word

Leading: Mags Bird
Preaching: Paul Vrolijk

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

Wednesday 20 October, 2021

12:30 Holy Communion

John Wilkinson

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

Job 38:1-7, 34-end This book is an extended reflection on how human suffering can relate to a loving God – one of the most profound issues that confronts any thoughtful human. So far, the debate has been between humans. Now God speaks. The essence of what he has to say, which is poetically and memorably expressed, is a sharp reminder to us humans to be humble. However much we come to know, whatever we can do, it is but little in the order of things. We are not God. Has the reminder ever been more apt?

Psalms 104:1-10, 26, 35c These verses from one of the greatest of the psalms of praise form a powerful counterpoint to Job. For once again we have a memorable poetic expression of the might and power of the created order, with the emphasis falling on how the Creator God has driven back the waters of chaos, to bring forth the place of creation, the dry land, in which we live. The expression may be mythic, but its power can grasp us.

Hebrews 5:1-10 This is an exploration of Jesus' role as high priest. Jesus is able both to identify with his people and their needs, and to intercede effectively before God on their behalf. Melchizedek comes from the Abraham story. Both priest and king, he is without apparent lineage. He also appears in Psalm 110, which the Jews understood as speaking of the Messiah.

Mark 10:35-45 Mark reminds the young church of the nature of Christian leadership. In the unseeing way that characterized the disciples before Easter, and despite the earlier teaching of Jesus, James and John are manoeuvring to be in leading positions in the coming kingdom. Their wish will be granted, but not in the way they expect. Christian leadership, says Jesus, is about service, not self-aggrandizement.

Pointers for prayer

- As we learn more and more and acquire more and greater competences, let us remember to give more thanks for the magnificence of God's creation.
- How might we give to those who serve the honour that is their due?

Thank God that, by his will, the suffering due to us was born by Jesus.

The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and thanking Him for His many blessings.

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.

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)

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.

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.

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

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

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.

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

Thank you!

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)
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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 gsunilj@gmail.com if you would like to help, which services you are available for, and which dates. Thank you!

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@holyltrinity.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.

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.

Jan-Piet and Heddy De Visser of **Vineyard Brussels** are holding an **online Marriage Course** starting 1 November. This will run every Monday evening starting at 19:45 for 7 weeks. If you are interested, please register here: <https://brusselsvineyard.churchsuite.co.uk/groups/vmw8kyqs>

A Men's Retreat will take place at Maredsous Abbey **from Friday 12-Sunday 14 November**; led by Chris Martin (Edinburgh) and Armin Kummer (Leuven). For registration details and other info please [download this document](#).

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

1. **SCRIPTURE PRAYER:** Lectio Divina. All Welcome! (Zoom)

Every Wednesday 10.30-12.00 and 19.30-21.00

2. **AUTUMN- REFLECTIVE WALK IN THE WOOD**

Saturday 23 October 9.30 – 12.30

Details available on website. For further information, visit www.fcjcentre.be or, email fcj@fcjcentre.be, or tel: 02 348 9561.

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