



HOLY TRINITY

BRUSSELS

Easter 2
7 April 2024

Our readings this week

Worship this week

Sunday, 7 April 2024

9:00 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching:
Evelyn Sweets

10:30 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching:
Evelyn Sweets

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

14:00 Service of the Word FR/EN

Leading: Grace West
Preaching: Jean-Bosco Turahirwa

[YouTube](#)

18:00 Holy Communion

Leading: Annie Bolger
Preaching: Rachael Burke

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

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

Wednesday, 10 April 2024

12:30 Holy Communion

Leading & Preaching:
Annie Bolger

Acts 4:32-35 What a change! These are no longer the frightened disciples who fled Jesus' arrest. Confidence, love and grace are now the marks of the young church. The disciples have a message for the world, that explains their extraordinary confidence. It is that Jesus is alive.

Psalms 133 The psalm uses two pictures to help us sense of the beauty of unity. The first is that of precious oil, so prized in the life of Mediterranean communities as it soothes parched skin. The second is the dew, the seemingly miraculous wetness that covers dry ground during the night and, without any rainfall, refreshes the ground. The early church could celebrate its unity in the experience of the resurrection. What could bring greater blessing!

1 John 1:1-2:2 The Christian message is not about a theory. It is about things that the followers of Jesus have seen, touched and heard. It is about our experience of living in a joyful relationship with God. This is what Christians are to proclaim in both their words and their lives: that following Jesus brings an experience of joy, light, fellowship, truth and purification from sin. It is the Word of life.

John 20:19-end From the earliest times, Christians have met together on the first day of the week. As on that first occasion they have found Jesus among them, reminding them of his death and resurrection, speaking peace to their troubled minds, bringing them joy, and empowering them to live the Christian life. As then, so now: belief in Jesus brings blessing, whether or not it comes from a dramatic encounter with the risen Lord.

Pointers for prayer

- Pray for peace for all those who are facing death, pain, and trouble of any sort: especially for those without the comfort of belief in Jesus;
- We do not need to have dramatic experiences to place our trust in Jesus. To do so is an act of the will. Jesus promises that blessing will follow from such a commitment;
- Do our lives, including our words, proclaim the experience of being with Jesus?
- Give thanks to God for bringing us to eternal life through Jesus.

[Our programme for the month is here.](#)

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Gift account for **pledges and donations:**

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 Carole Ludlow on celudlow@gmail.com or Sister Julian on birteday@gmail.com.

Online Morning and Night Prayer

Did you know that members of Holy Trinity meet together for prayer online throughout the week? You can drop in on any day and join the prayers. The password is 'htb'.

Morning prayer:

Monday to Friday, 9:00

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82809036058#success>

Compline/Night prayer:
Monday to Friday, 21:00

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89837499334#success>

Coffee and tea are served after the 10:30, 14:00 and 18:00 services, the bar is also open after 10:30. Following the **9:00 service: On the first Sunday of each month, immediately after the service, we will be offering coffee and tea in Church House.** Come and say hello.

Please note: There are no children's or youth groups held this Sunday. The 2pm service will offer a family-friendly All Age Worship style service.

As we continue in Eastertide, we want to say 'thank you' to everyone who has made Holy Week and Easter so special this year: musicians and singers, technical teams, welcomers and providers of refreshments, cleaners, flower arrangers, preachers and service leaders, and you for joining us in the journey to the cross and to the empty tomb.

Our **Church Council** meeting will take place on **Monday, 8 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.

Preparation for First Communion will be taking place this month during the 10:30 service. Please get in touch with Philip Milton if your child/teen is interested. philip.milton@holytrinity.be

The Community Kitchen is organising a fund-raising event called **Improv for Dummies** on **20 April** at **19:00** in the Walker Hall. If you would like to attend, please [register at this link](#). [Poster](#) in church lobby.

Peace & Conflict Transformation Course we are delighted to invite you to the graduation and presentation of certificates on **Sunday 28 April 2024** at Holy Trinity. The ceremony will begin at 14:00, followed by a reception. Please let us know before **22 April** if you'd like to attend, by [signing up here](#). Your presence and your support will be a great joy to us. A financial contribution would also be welcome to: Centre Pour la Paix et Transformation Conflits IBAN: BE35 5230 8145 6837. The first series of training sessions were reserved for members of Holy Trinity Brussels. The training is now also open to members of other churches and organisations. The next round of courses will start in October 2024. [Register here](#) or contact admin@holytrinity.be.

Update on Senior Chaplain Recruitment

Key recruitment documents have been completed by the Church Council: Chaplaincy Profile, Role Description and Person Specification. We expect to be ready to advertise in April. Saturday 8th June is the date to interview final shortlisted candidates. We cannot yet predict the actual start date as this depends on factors outside of our control. We cannot yet predict the actual start date as this depends on factors outside of our control and the licensing date may be as late as 2025. We ask that you continue to hold this complex process in your prayers. Meanwhile if you have any questions or comments do contact the wardens, clergy or members of the Church Council.

Church weekend away 24-26 May: Payment details have been sent, please pay in full to reserve your place before we open to those on the waiting list. For more details, talk to Annie, Philippa, Sister Julian, Ruth, Virginia, Philip & Richard.

This year's **Bishop's Lent appeal** is to support the **Anglican Centre in Rome**. Read all about it in [Bishop Robert's letter](#). 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.

Simone Yallop, a Licensed Lay Reader in an Anglican church in The Netherlands is asking for help on a research project for a Master of Arts degree in Theology. For further details and if you'd like to participate, [read her request here](#).

One of our Mission Partners **Songani Centre, Malawi** will be organising a Garden Party on 8 June from 14:00 to 17:00. For more info, see [poster](#) in lobby or contact Sue Bird sue@mbedza.org.

The Wider Church

Reclaiming your TIME, ENERGY and SOUL: in other words, Getting Your Life Back and sharing it with others. 2 sessions on self organisation and self-care. Offered by Paul Vrolijk, with Bernd Guenther SJ and [Sarah-Jane King](#) at the Chapel for Europe. There is a fee for this course. All details can be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/371287675822539/>. **First session starts Tuesday 23 April 2024.** There are 5 evenings. People can come to all or pick and choose.

Hidden Gems is running a community singing event in Brussels from **9-12 May 2024**. For full details on how to register and what it is about, see their [poster](#), also pinned in the church lobby.

*Joe Shaw a 21-year-old Modern Languages student from Bristol, is looking for a three-week placement this summer in a French speaking country. If anyone can help, he can be contacted on josephshaw414@gmail.com.

***For requests and offers of accommodation or employment, Holy Trinity Brussels is not responsible for asking for appropriate checks and references, or for any contracts. These are the responsibility of all the parties involved.**

Scan QR to join our official Whatsapp group



Please avoid taking photos or videos during services unless you have sought prior permission to do so.
Thank you!

The majority of services and concerts taking place at Holy Trinity are being live streamed to YouTube via Zoom. **We do our best not to record private individuals.** Individuals taking part in the service and/or concert as choir members, musicians, serving team, etc., will be recorded. On some occasions photos are also taken by a member of the Holy Trinity ministry team for use on social media and the church website. **If you wish to opt out, send an email to admin@holytrinity.be.**

Creation Corner

Encouraging & empowering this community to become better stewards of the earth

Sights on Silver Campaign

We're all inspired by our Pathfinders group helping to lead Holy Trinity over the next several months in theological lifestyle reflections. The first month's challenge is "What we wear: Explore sustainable fashion choices and the impact of our clothing habits." Maybe begin this month by learning more about [fast fashion](#) and the irreparable harm done by the fashion industry to people and planet. What steps could each of us take in the next month to disrupt our participation in fast fashion?

The Pathfinders suggest a challenge like [Project 333](#), choosing to wear what we already have, 33 items over 3 months. These kinds of challenges can shift our perspectives on consumerism, materialism, and the connection between our clothing choices and the well-being of those around us!

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Mrs Grace West, The Revd Charles Kabera, Mr Eric Sibomana

MES Intern:

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