

News for you from HTC Friday 12th April 2024

Dear friends

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The next worship services

	09.30am	Morning Worship	Preacher: Richard Hibbert	
Sunday	03.30aiii			
-			Theme: Knowing God:	
14 th April			Distinctive Evidence	
Easter 3			1 John 3: 1-7	
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Preacher: Richard Hibbert	
			Theme: Knowing God:	
			Distinctive Evidence	
			1 John 3: 1-7 and Luke 24: 36b-	
			48	
	5pm	Choral Evensong	Psalm 142, Deuteronomy 7: 7-13	
			and Revelation 2: 1-11	
	7pm	Sundays at Seven	Leader: Jim Kendall	
Wednesday	Midday	Holy Communion	Preacher: Richard Hibbert	
17 th April				
	09.30am	Morning Worship	Preacher: Wilfrid Kendall	
Sunday			Theme: Knowing God: Practical	
21 st April			Evidence	
Easter 4			1 John 3: 16-24	
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Preacher: Wilfrid Kendall	
		,	Theme: Knowing God: Practical	
			Evidence	
			1 John 3: 16-24 and John 10: 11-	
			18	
	5pm	Choral Evensong	Psalm 81: 8-16, Exodus 16: 4-15	
			and Revelation 2: 12-17	
	7pm	Sundays at Seven	Leader: Catherine Kendall	

To watch our live /recorded services, please subscribe to our YouTube channel: Holy Trinity Coventry. The inserts for this Sunday's <u>11.15am service</u> and <u>5pm</u> service can be found here.

A Word from Richard

It's All A Conspiracy..... https://youtu.be/89oDMo-QIMM

Thank you to Paul Doggett and Anita Draper, as they take up the role jointly of Growth Group Coordinators

Thank you to Thilini Perera, Trinity House Bookings Coordinator, as she moves to a new full-time job.

RECRUITING at Holy Trinity

We will be recruiting shortly:

- a) Trinity House Bookings Coordinator (10hrs/wk)
- b) Parish Administrator (20hrs/wk)

Roles can be combined to make 30 hrs/wk. Adverts will be placed shortly on our website, email notices and social media.

The Table - Sunday Lunch for students and young adults



The Table will meet as usual on Sunday 14th April in Trinity House – 1pm – 3pm.

The Way – Tuesday evenings – (6.30pm - 8.30pm) food, friendship and learning about Jesus

The Way will meet up again this Tuesday at Trinity House.

Eastertide Sermon series 2024 – started last Sunday

1 John is the Apostle's first and longer letter, written to encourage Christian confidence and loving lives. His first recipients clearly had some interesting 'new' ideas, even special knowledge on spiritual matters. They seem to have been claiming that they were perfect already, and that Jesus was not a real man. These misunderstandings fall under the 'gnostic heresies' (gnostic is from the Greek 'gnosis' meaning knowledge).

John writes graciously and forcefully. His favourite phrase is 'we know': 17 times he says this, because he, and the 'we' is him speaking in his apostolic capacity, really does know: he had spent 3 years with the Lord Jesus Christ and then a lifetime of reflecting on Jesus' teaching and ministry.

There is an old legend about John, from the 4th-century theologian Jerome: John was old and frail, unable to walk, so his disciples would carry him into the gathering of believers on the Lord's Day. Every week these were his words to the congregation: "Little children, love one another."

Date	Title	Readings			
14/4/24	Knowing God: Distinctive	1 John 3:1-7			
	evidence	Luke 24:36b-48			
21/4/24	Knowing God: Practical	1 John 3:16-24			
	evidence	John 10:11-18			
28/4/24	Knowing God: Embodied	1 John 4:7-2			
	evidence	John 15:1-8			
5/5/24	Knowing God: Obedient	1 John 5:1-6			
	evidence	John 15:9-17			
9/5/24	Ascension Day (at the Cathedral in a joint choirs'				
	service)				
	Preacher: Richard Hibbert				
12/5/24	Knowing God: Divine	1 John 5:9-13			
	evidence	John 17:6-19			
19/5/24	Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21			
	Sunday 10.30am	John 15:26-27 and			
		16:4b-15			
26/5/24	Trinity Sunday 10.30am	Romans 8:12-17			
	(Trinity Patronal Festival "all	John 3:1-17			
	church" Picnic in Bishop's garden)				
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Jerome's story's is but a legend, but true or not, it sounds like the Apostle John we hear in the words of this his First letter of John: Love one another.

Stay Curious: Exploring Jesus, life and faith

Starts on Tuesday evenings 7th May 2024 from 6.30pm (with supper provided) through to 8.30pm in Trinity House.

- Is there more to life than this?
- > Why and how do I pray?

Does God heal today?

The "Alpha Course" looks at these and other questions, providing a practical introduction to the Christian faith.

For more info: please speak to Richard, Carolyne or Andrew

Children and Families Update

Communion Preparation Course



The Flock – at Trinity House

We will meet on Saturday 20th April at our usual time in Trinity House. Please contact Jack on <u>JackBishop@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk</u> if you need any information.

If you require more information, please email: YouthandFamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk



Other news and activities

Electoral Roll

Please consider if you would like to be on the Electoral Roll at Holy Trinity, as part of your act of worship. Being on the Electoral Roll means that you are seen as a member of Holy Trinity, and also enables you to vote in any church elections as well as apply to stand on the PCC.

To be on the Electoral Roll you must be 16 or over and either live in the parish or have been attending for six months or more. You also need to have been baptised in a Christian church. If you haven't been baptised please don't let that put you off, we'd love to talk to you about exploring baptism.

If you would like more information, you can catch Julie after the 9.30am service or before 11.15am, or speak to the vicar, your congregational pastor or a warden. If you're not sure who's who, our photos are on the large, colourful noticeboard on the wall near the back of church.

Thank you everyone.

God bless, Julie

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: A date for your diaries. This year our APCM (our annual general meeting) will be held on Sunday 12th May at 10.45am in Church. At this meeting we will (re)elect all 4 wardens, some PCC members, and receive the church accounts.

Elections to PCC (Parochial Church Council) and churchwarden

There are 4 PCC places available for 3 years Please consider standing to serve our church in this key leadership capacity. Nomination forms available from the back of church or the website.

PCC representatives (outline role):

Enable the church to play its part in God's mission to his world

- co-operate with the Vicar in sharing leadership
- ensure legal compliance with charity law
- care for the buildings and church gardens
- are a channel of consultation within the wider Church

We usually have 6 PCC meetings a year. PCC members, as trustees, must be DBS checked, complete safeguarding training, pray for Holy Trinity, prepare for the meetings and contribute to the discussions. There are also descriptions of the roles for your information (see below):

- PCC Responsibilities
- PCC Nomination Form

- Churchwarden Responsibilities
- Churchwarden Nomination Form

If you would like more information, please speak to the Vicar or Wardens, or e-mail the PCC Secretary, <u>kerihusband@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk</u>

Recital – Saturday 13th April



Andrew Price (including music by Mozart, Wesley, Buxtehude, Sweelinck and Howells) Saturday April 13th at 1.00pm

Free admission

Sit for 40 minutes and allow us to take you back through time as Andrew Price, a long-standing loyal member of Holy Trinity's team of organists, presents a fascinating kaleidoscope of music from across the past 500 years of Holy Trinity's 800year history.

This Saturday !!

Music from the Movies! – Saturday 13th April (4pm – 6pm)



Don't miss this once in a lifetime opportunity to see and hear iconic

Songs from your favourite movies recreated before your very eyes.

See Laurence and Miriam in a 'whole new' light and be stirred by rousing group numbers.

You may never look at the staff team in the same way again! Come early to see how many Movie themes you can recognise in Alex's amazing medley, starting at 3.45.

Doors open just after 3.30pm and we will be having an interval for a soft drink and snack.

Entry is free but if you would like to make a donation to help cover costs that would be great.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!!

Mission Focus for April – Coventry Foodbank

Coventry has 14 foodbanks distributed around the city, mostly run by churches. They are part of a network of >400 foodbanks in the UK linked to the Trussell Trust, which provides more than 2 million 3-day emergency food parcels per year to hungry families. We can help by: volunteering, giving food or giving money (see: https://coventry.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/). HTC gave £1250 in 2023, and we regularly donate food (tins, packets) via the collection box at the back of church, which is taken to a local foodbank by Jan Clarke.

Hunger in the UK is usually caused by people not having enough money to pay for essentials, so foodbanks also provide advice and practical support to help people tackle the underlying financial issues they face.

*Opportunity for HTC members to tour Coventry Foodbank, Saturday 27th April *

Coventry Foodbank have offered to show us round their main warehouse and distribution centre (@The Halo Centre, CV3) as a thank-you for our regular support. Coffee and cakes will also be served to us in their own café!

Date:	Sat April 27 th
Depart from:	Holy Trinity Church, 10.20am (return around 1.00pm)
Sign up:	Please inform <u>NickJackson@HolyTrinityCoventry.org.uk</u> by April 22 nd
Transport:	will be arranged, but if you can help with this, please let Nick know.

Coventry Foodbank - URGENT needs

Vegetarian options	Tinned Potatoes	Instant coffee
Tea bags	Jam	Dry Noodles

Please bring to church and leave in Foodbank Collection Basket by the Welcome Desk. Please note donated items must be long-dated and in good condition or will be thrown away.

Security Reminder!

Your valuables - please take your valuables (eg. handbag) with you when you go

Your children - please accompany your children if they need the toilet. forward to take Communion.

For your prayers this week:

Give thanks for:

- Our new Growth Group Coordinators, Paul Doggett and Anita Draper, who will be promoting these key midweek groups.
- Our new monthly Prayer Diary Compiler, Caroline Simiyu.
- The ministry of Table and Way cooks and helpers (and pray for more helpers
- Thilini Perera's service as Trinity House Bookings Coordinator, as she moves to a full-time role.

Pray for:

- Standing Committee, meeting Monday, to discuss preparations for our annual meetings, staff employment, and PCC Away Day.
- Finance Team, meeting Wednesday, to review our 2024 accounts income/expenditure and plan the way forward on our banking and governance.
- Holy Trinity's values (Welcome, Warmth, Worship, Witness and Wealth) to be more evident among us.
- Summer Outreach Course, Alpha's 11 weeks of exploring key questions about Jesus, life and faith, beginning on 7th May.
- Local elections on 2nd May to raise up candidates with hearts keen to serve their community.
- World Leaders to seek peace and reconciliation, especially Ukraine/Russia and Israel/Gaza.
- The King's and the Princess of Wales's healing from cancer.
- Others you know in need of God's healing.
- Nehemiah and his family on the death of his daughter, that they might know God's grace and peace.

Collect for this week

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Every blessing Richard

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