

Dear friends

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X (Twitter) : @HTCCoventry

## The next worship services

<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April Easter 5</b>	<b>09.30am</b>	All Age Holy Communion	Preacher: James Sampson-Foster Theme: Knowing God – Embodied Evidence 1 John 4: 7-21
	<b>11.15am</b>	Holy Communion	Preacher: James Sampson-Foster Theme: Knowing God – Embodied Evidence 1 John 4: 7-21 and John 15:1-8
	<b>5pm</b>	Choral Evensong	Psalm 96, Isaiah 60:1-14 and Revelation 3:1-13
	<b>7pm</b>	Sundays at Seven	Leader: Jim Kendall
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Midday</b>	Holy Communion	Preacher: Richard H Philip & James, Apostles
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May Easter 6</b>	<b>09.30am</b>	Morning Worship	Preacher: Richard Hibbert Theme: Knowing God: Obedient evidence 1 John 5:1-6
	<b>11.15am</b>	Holy Communion	Preacher: Richard Hibbert Theme: Knowing God: Obedient evidence 1 John 5:1-6 and John 15:9-17
	<b>5pm</b>	Choral Evensong	
	<b>7pm</b>	Sundays at Seven	Leader: Richard Hibbert

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

## **Prayer Hour - join with others to pray for our church and world!**

May's Prayer Hour will take place at the home of Jonathan and Jenny Williams – address Crediton Close, Cheylesmore, Coventry – from 7.30pm. Please ask clergy or welcomers for details of the house number if you are planning to attend.

## **Coventry Half Marathon this Sunday**

Road closures for the half marathon are detailed here: [Road Closure Information | Run For All](#)

**A Word from Richard** - Returns next week

## **The Table - Sunday Lunch for students and young adults**



**The Table** will meet as usual on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 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**

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."

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.

Date	Title	Readings
28/4/24	Knowing God: Embodied evidence	1 John 4:7-2 <i>John 15:1-8</i>
5/5/24	Knowing God: Obedient evidence	1 John 5:1-6 <i>John 15:9-17</i>
9/5/24	<i>Ascension Day (at the Cathedral in a joint choirs' service)</i> Preacher: Richard Hibbert	
12/5/24	Knowing God: Divine evidence	1 John 5:9-13 <i>John 17:6-19</i>
19/5/24	Pentecost Sunday 10.30am	Acts 2:1-21 <i>John 15:26-27 and 16:4b-15</i>
26/5/24	Trinity Sunday 10.30am <i>(Trinity Patronal Festival "all church" Picnic in Bishop's garden)</i>	Romans 8:12-17 <i>John 3:1-17</i>

## 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

## RECRUITING at Holy Trinity

We are recruiting for the following:

### Parish Manager, Vacancy (20hrs/wk), £14 per hour (£14,560 pa)

We are seeking an office leader, good at managing and administering multiple tasks, supporting the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity, promoting our Vision and Values, and enhancing our administration, communications and local partnerships.

You are:

- excited to ensure our life, ministry and witness is promoted effectively across our city.
- eager to develop our IT and digital services that support communications with church members and others.
- ready to give leadership to a busy office with varied daily requests and ensure our administration serves the church.
- able to manage the services provided to the Vicar, staff team, other church leaders and volunteers.
- excited by professionalism, high standards, and key deadlines.
- inspired to make the church office part of our missional impact.
- ready to participate in this all-age diverse congregation.

*This role requires an Enhanced Disclosure from DBS and has an occupational requirement to be filled by a committed Christian, active in church life. Equality Act 2010, Part 1, Schedule 9 applies.*

To see the advertisement, Job Description and Person Specification , head to the website [www.holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](http://www.holytrinitycoventry.org.uk) or contact:

E: [hoffice@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](mailto:hoffice@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk) / T: 024 7622 0418

**Closing date: 10 May 2024 / Interviews: 18 May 2024**

**Trinity House Coordinator, Vacancy, (10 hrs/week – flexible at work/home)**

Trinity House (TH) is the historic Old Bluecoat School in the heart of the city centre. We are looking for a person who will develop Trinity House as a vibrant part of city centre life and maximise revenue in line with the values of HTC and the founding Trust (Old National School Trust).

You are:

- experienced to market and promote TH as a key location for room hire and events;
- administratively able and skilled in IT and social media;
- people-centred and eager to provide excellent customer service;
- excited to be part of a team who serve the overall mission of HTC and TH in the city centre;
- a person of integrity and warm-hearted towards all;
- develop creative approaches to improve sustainability of TH
- excited to be part of a diverse city-centre church of all ages;

**therefore this could be the role for you!**

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## Children and Families Update

### Communion Preparation Course



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HOLY TRINITY COVENTRY

**Communion Preparation Course**

For children and their families aged 7+ who have been baptised and would like to explore taking communion.

**From Tuesday 30th April for four weeks**

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Trinity House

For more information  
or to book a place, please email:  
[JackBishop@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](mailto:JackBishop@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk)

The poster features a photograph of a chalice with wine and bread on a table.

### The Flock – at Trinity House

We will meet on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at our usual time in Trinity House. Please contact Jack on [JackBishop@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](mailto:JackBishop@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk) if you need any information.

If you require more information, please email:

[YouthandFamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](mailto:YouthandFamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk)



**THE FLOCK**  
**Trinity Toddlers**

A group for parents and their preschool-aged children

Play, refreshment, and a space to talk

1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, 10:30AM-12PM  
Trinity House (OBCS)

**HTC**

The poster features a silhouette of a shepherd with a staff and a dog on a green hill under a large yellow sun, with green trees in the background.

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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

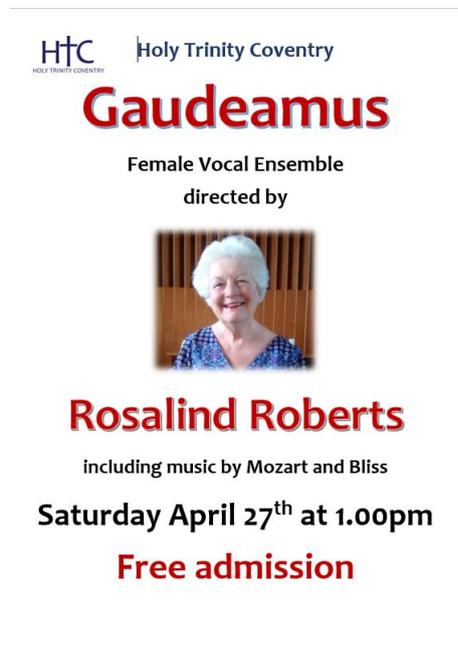
We usually have 6 PCC meetings a year. PCC members, as trustees, must be DBS checked, complete safeguarding training, pray for Holy Trinity, prepare for the meetings and contribute to the discussions. There are also descriptions of the roles for your information (see below):

- 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, [kerihusband@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk](mailto:kerihusband@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk)

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## Recital – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April



HTC Holy Trinity Coventry  
**Gaudeamus**  
Female Vocal Ensemble  
directed by  
  
**Rosalind Roberts**  
including music by Mozart and Bliss  
Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 1.00pm  
**Free admission**

## 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.

### Coventry Foodbank - URGENT needs

Vegetarian options	Snacks	UHT Long Life Milk
Fruit juice or squash	Jam	Dry Noodles
Washing Powder	Home cleaning products	

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 forward to take Communion.

**Your children** - please accompany your children if they need the toilet.

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## 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)

*Pray for:*

- 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 7<sup>th</sup> May.
- Local elections on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Every blessing

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