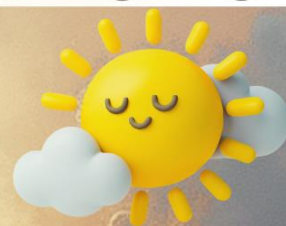
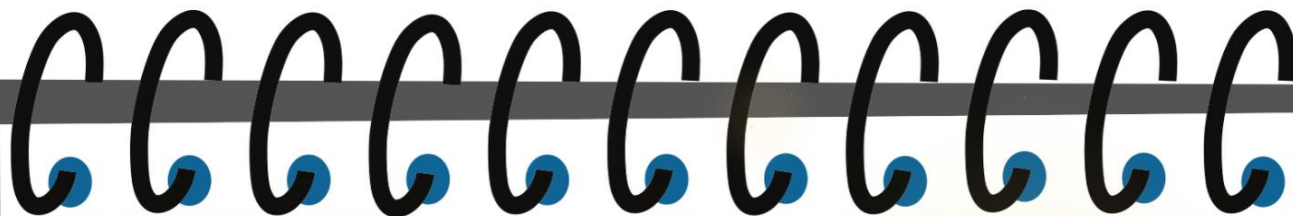




**News for you from
HTC!**

**Friday 21st
November 2025**

Dear friends,



Calendar of Worship & Events

23 November 2025 Christ the King	9.30am	All Age Morning Worship	Preacher: Revd Canon Clifford Uba Readings: Colossians 1:11-20 / Luke 23:33-43
	11.15am	All Age Holy Communion	Preacher: Revd Canon Clifford Uba Readings: Colossians 1:11-20 / Luke 23:33-43
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Readings: Psalm 72 / 1 st Samuel 8:4-20 / John 18:33-37
26 November 2025	12.00pm	Holy Communion	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6 / Luke 23:33-43
30 November 2025 Advent Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Readings: Romans 13:11-end / Matthew 24:36-44
	11.15am	Holy Communion	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Readings: Romans 13:11-end / Matthew 24:36-44
	6.00pm	From Darkness to Light	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Preacher: Wilfrid Kendall



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[Instagram @holytrinitychurchcoventry](#) X @HTCCoventry FB [Holy Trinity Church Coventry](#)

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

For your prayers this week:

Give thanks for:

- The gift of £942 for the ministry of TearFund's Transforming Communities
- The 'behind the scenes' work for installing the IT screens in church for viewing and livestreaming services
- The tech team – PA, laptop, livestream – who do so much to enrich our worship

Pray for:

- Our distribution of Christmas Services flyer to homes across the parish.
- Our Christmas Services flyer to be received by many whom God is calling to join us at one of our Christmas services.
- For your neighbours, colleagues and friends, whom you can invite to a Christmas service.
- For the hope of the Gospel seen in the birth of Christ our Saviour to be preached with boldness.
- For the office and verging team, with all the busyness of the next few weeks
- For donations to cover the cost of the new hymnbooks, required to update and refresh our choice of music.
- For PCC meeting (Monday 24 Nov) to discuss: Student & Young Adults ministry, Buildings & Fabric works, Social Media policy & practice, 2026 budget challenges.
- November Mission Partner: Light House Christian Care, and their ministry of offering counselling across Coventry.
- The appointment of a 4th churchwarden, to join the church's leadership team.
- Volunteers willing to serve in the various roles outlined below.
- Just peace across our world where there are conflicts, oppression and violence.
- Swift and full healing to Peter S, Christine B, Bob W.

Pray for Holy Trinity

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A word from Richard: [Unanswered Prayer](#)

New Hymn Books for the Choir

To update and refresh our worship offering, new Full-Music and Melody edition hymn books have been obtained, with a grant from the publishers for most of the congregational copies. Revd Richard and Alex (DoM) are asking if you could join them in sponsoring 1 or 2 hymn books: £35 for Full-Music, £22 Melody, £13 Words

Please donate (and if possible **gift-aid**) direct to PCC of Holy Trinity Coventry:

Account Name: PCC of Holy Trinity

Sort Code: 40 18 17

Account Number: 40649686

Reference: Hymn Books

A host of heavenly angels!

A host of heavenly angels! We're planning to use a number of knitted or crochet angels in the Christmas decorations this year and one of the things we'd like to do is to create a 'heavenly host of angels'. If you want to help by knitting or crocheting an angel or two to include in the displays, we have a specific pattern and colours that we're using.

Please contact Anita Draper or the church office for details and a pattern.

Delivery of Christmas Services Information Card



Holy Trinity Coventry

You are invited to our **Christmas Services**

Advent Carols - From Darkness to Light (with choir)	Sun 30 November 6.00pm
Lord Mayor's Carol Service (with choir)	Mon 8 December 7.30pm
Family Carols and Nativity	Sun 21 December 10.30am
Nine Lessons and Carols (with choir)	Sun 21 December 6.00pm
Christmas Eve Midnight Communion (with choir)	Wed 24 December 11.00pm
Christmas Day Communion	Thu 25 December 10.30am
New Year's Eve Watchnight Service	Wed 31 December 11.00pm

Christ the Saviour is born.

Christmas Events at Holy Trinity

Eclectica Concert	Sat 29 November 2.00pm
Festival of Christmas Trees	Thu 4 December to Wed 24 December 11.00am to 3.00pm
Coventry Wind Band Society	Fri 5 December 7.30pm
Rotary Christmas Concert	Sat 13 December 7.00pm
Armonico Consort	Wed 17 December 7.00pm

Holy Trinity, Broadgate CV1 1LN
holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, we have an exciting schedule of services and extra events for us to rejoice in His goodness.

Last year, we delivered Christmas Services cards to all the homes in our parish, and we saw new people coming to one or more of our Christmas services.

We are doing the same again this year. Can you collect a pack of Christmas Service cards from the back of church, to deliver to roads in the parish, so that all who live near

to Holy Trinity know they are invited to our carol/Christmas services?

Free Recital – Saturday 22nd November at 1.00pm

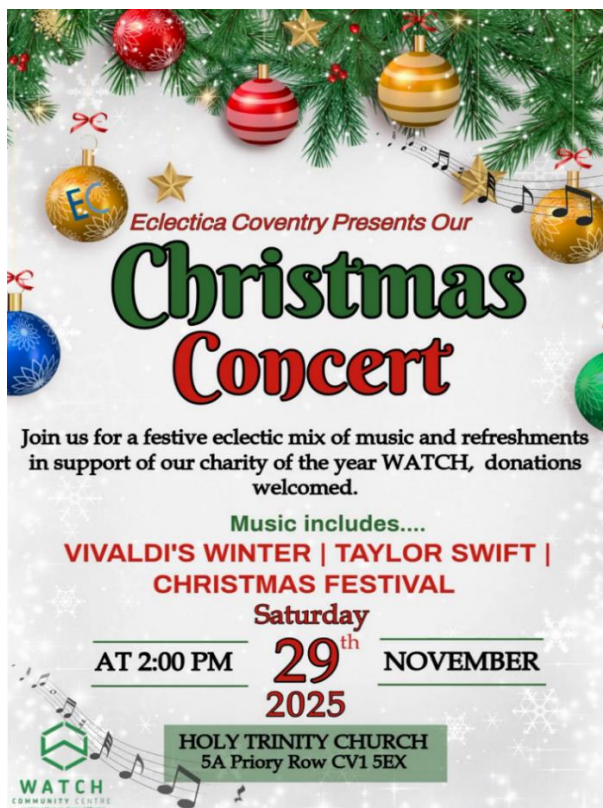


The poster features the Holy Trinity Coventry logo at the top left. Below it is a photograph of pianist Julian Hellaby seated at a grand piano. The text on the poster reads: **Julian Hellaby**, Music by Bach, Liszt & Chaminade, Saturday November 22nd at 1.00pm.

A warm 'Welcome back!' to Holy Trinity for internationally acclaimed local pianist Julian Hellaby. This year's recital includes music by Bach, Liszt and Chaminade.

Please share this poster with your friends and colleagues on social media as all donations are for our Pipe Organ Appeal.

Eclectica Christmas Concert – Saturday 29th November at 2.00pm. Admission is free!



The poster is decorated with Christmas ornaments and musical notes. It reads: **Eclectica Coventry Presents Our Christmas Concert**. Join us for a festive eclectic mix of music and refreshments in support of our charity of the year WATCH, donations welcomed. Music includes.... VIVALDI'S WINTER | TAYLOR SWIFT | CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL. Saturday 29th 2025 AT 2:00 PM. HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 5A Priory Row CV1 5EX. The WATCH Community Centre logo is at the bottom left.

For more information, please click the link below

<https://www.facebook.com/share/17gwUiCmq7/>

Advent Carols Service (From Darkness to Light) – Sunday 30th November

Following our Darkness to Light service on Sunday November 30th, we would love to once again serve refreshments. If you are able to contribute by bringing along mince pies, we would be very grateful.

Please bring them either to the church office during the week, or on Sunday 23rd or 30th November.

Prayer Hour – Monday 1st December – 7.30pm for 7.45pm start

Please join Jane Hutton as she leads our praying for God's church and world. We meet at Rochester Road, Earlsdon.

Nativity Service & Play: Led by Our Children - Sunday, 21st December at 10.30am

Mark your calendars for a very special Nativity Service and Play at Holy Trinity!

We warmly invite all members of our congregation and the wider community to join us as our children lead the service and bring the classic Nativity story to life.

This service is a celebration of the Christmas story through the eyes and voices of our young people, and we are thrilled that families will be actively involved in the service elements alongside the children's beautiful performance.

It will be an amazing and heartwarming start to the final countdown before Christmas. We encourage you to invite friends and neighbours to share in this joyful occasion.

For further details and other inquiries, please contact Thomas at:
youthandfamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you there!

New Year's Eve – Watch service – 31st December 2025 from 11pm

Will you be in Coventry on New Year's Eve and would you like to help make the watch service possible? Last year over 200 people from across the city (and beyond) joined us. This year again we will take time to thank God for his faithfulness, praise his name and seek him for the new year.

To be involved (welcome, IT, PA, readings, etc) contact Carolyne
carolynepowell@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

The Vicar who Saved his Church from the Blitz



[The Coventry vicar who saved Holy Trinity Church from the Blitz - BBC News](#)

Host HTC students for Christmas!

Would you be willing/happy to host **2–3 students** either on **Christmas Eve (24 December)** or for **lunch or dinner on Christmas Day (25 December 2025)**?

We have a wonderful opportunity for you to host international students and young adults in your home this Christmas. These guests are part of **The Table**, a ministry of HTC that serves them. The Table community represents **21 nations** and a wide range of cultural and religious backgrounds. By welcoming these students, you will have the opportunity to hear their stories, learn about their families and cultures, and extend genuine Christian hospitality.



Celebrating Christmas with them in your home will be a rich and memorable experience, especially since they are far from their own homes and families during such a special time. Hosting them will not only be meaningful and enriching for you, but also an opportunity to demonstrate Christ in a practical way to those from non-Christian or unchurched backgrounds.

It will also serve as a lasting investment in their lives and in the vision and ministry of **The Table**.

If you are interested in hosting, or want to find out more, - or would like more information about the students or the ministry - please contact **Siby** (07724023389). Thanks!

Children's Ministry – Sunday services (except 4th Sunday of each month)

Creche - For both the 9.30am and 11.15am services, children below the age of 4 can stay to play at the Peace Chapel throughout the services. Parents are advised to be with their children at all times and are free to use the North Porch to attend to their needs.

9.30am – children are invited to attend their own learning in Trinity House (Church Centre). They leave shortly after the start of the service, and are seen again at refreshments, held in Trinity House.

11.15am – children are invited to attend their own learning in the choir vestries. They leave shortly after the start of the service and are seen again during The Peace.

Families are encouraged to come early to church.

Youth ministry – Young people meet at Trinity House with their team of leaders by 6pm for a light meal, games, bible study, and prayers, finishing at 7.30pm every Friday of the month.

For further details, please contact: youthandfamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

Casual Vacancy for a Warden

We have one casual vacancy for a Warden to fill. If you are interested in being nominated to serve in this way, please could you speak to Revd Canon Richard or a Warden and fill in the attached [nomination form](#) and return to: PCC Secretary, Keri Husband kerihusband@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk or the Office htoffice@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk.

If you would like to find out more about what the role involves, please find a [role and responsibilities sheet](#) attached/here. The forms are also available in hard copy at the back of Church by the PCC noticeboard from Sunday.

Volunteers Needed

Midweek and Weekend Welcome Team

Can you spare a couple of hours during the week showing HTC's values of welcome and warmth to visitors to the church? The Welcome Team usually serve between 11am and 3pm Tuesday to Sunday.

Opening and Locking of Trinity House

Can you assist the running of Trinity House, our church centre, and be available with others to opening and locking up Trinity House. Occasional duties, daytime and evening opportunities.

Assistant wardens / overseers

Helping to manage and oversee church services, so that all run smoothly

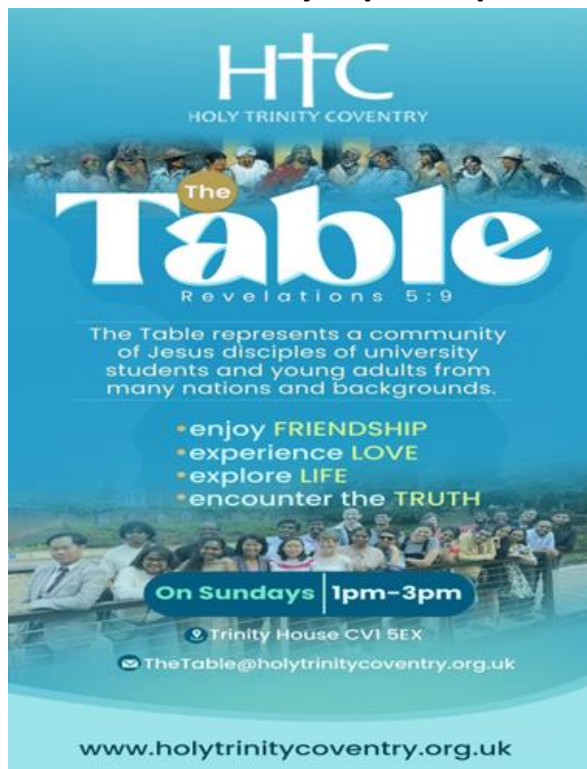
To know more, contact the office: htoffice@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

Tel: 024 7622 0418

Reading the Bible with others

Wednesday evenings (7.30pm to 9pm) – to be part of a Bible reading group. Please contact Paul Doggett or Anita Draper or Revd Richard to register your interest.

Experience the Picture of God's Heavenly Banquet and Grow as a Disciple of Christ The Table - Sundays 1pm – 3pm. For Young Adults and Students



Enjoy Friendship. Experience Love. Explore Life. Encounter the Truth.

Meeting every Sunday (1-3pm) a community of students and young adults from many nations and backgrounds come together for friendship, food, to share and explore life and to encounter the truth in Bible studies and testimonies.

For more information contact Siby Moleakunel
thetable@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

Other News:

Mission Focus, November 2025: The Light House Christian Care Ministry



The Light House Christian Care Ministry was founded by Coventry Christians in 1986, to provide counselling for people from across the region, aiming for it to be affordable even for those with limited financial means. They provide a safe, non-judgemental space of acceptance and empathetic understanding for those over 18 years of age, with a team of professional staff counsellors and associate volunteer counsellors. They train student counsellors and also have volunteers doing admin, fundraising, or practical tasks around their base in Ball Hill.

They help people with anxiety, stress, depression, attempted suicide, relationship difficulties, bereavement, addictions, and those with a history of abuse. We find a good take-up of their leaflets from the Jesus Chapel in HTC, where people in distress often

spend time in prayer. A member of their team will visit HTC on Sunday November 16th to tell us more about their work. Our financial support for them has enabled them to continue to operate in challenging times.

For further information, see: <https://lighthousechristiancare.co.uk>

Coventry Foodbank – urgent needs for November 2025:

- Cereal
- UHT Long Life Milk
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Meat
- Jam
- Biscuits
- Tea Bags
- Instant Mash Potato

Please place in the Foodbank Collection Basket by the church's Welcome Desk.

Donated items must be long-dated and in good condition or will be thrown away.

Carbon Confidence (in an Hour) – Wednesday 10th December 10.30am to 12.45pm at Trinity House.

Boost your knowledge about climate crisis and find out how you can help to care for God's creation. Be inspired and informed as we work together to reach net zero carbon. Join in via an excellent new course created by the Church of England's Environment Programme team. Carbon Confidence in an Hour will help you discover:



Become 'carbon confident'

Take part in a new bite-size course - **Carbon Confidence in an Hour**

The course content runs for one hour with up to 30 minutes added for your own comments and questions.

Boost your knowledge about climate crisis and discover how you can help to **care for God's creation**

Register now!

New date
10 Dec 2025

Supporting each other to reach Net Zero Carbon

Be inspired and informed as we work together to reach Net Zero Carbon emissions. Join in via an excellent short course created by the Church of England's Environment Programme team.

Carbon Confidence in an Hour will help you discover:

- Climate science basics
- The missional aspects of climate change action
- Our diocesan footprint, including embodied carbon
- Your role in addressing climate crisis in your community

Next steps

Attend in person or via 'teams' from the comfort of your own location.

Dates

for staff and volunteers at Holy Trinity Church, St Mark's Church, the Coventry Cathedrals, DBF and members of DAC.

10 Dec 2025, 11 a.m. Coventry city centre - venue tbc

Sign up here:
<https://www.equiphub.org.uk/courses-events-and-resources/carbon-confidence-dbf/>

Climate science basics:

- * The missional aspects of climate change action.
- * Our diocesan footprint, including embodied carbon.
- * Your role in addressing climate crisis in your community.

'An hour' refers to the resources and training materials and we add 30 minutes for participative reflection and discussion. Kindly use this link to access details of the course:
[Carbon Confidence 'in an Hour'](https://www.equiphub.org.uk/courses-events-and-resources/carbon-confidence-dbf/)



THE ROTARY CLUB OF COVENTRY

ROTARY FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS TREES and CHARITY CONCERT

It is a pleasure on behalf of the Rotary Club of Coventry to invite you to display a Christmas Tree as part of the Festival of Christmas Trees at Holy Trinity Church.

As part of our fund-raising activities, we will be holding our Charity Christmas Concert on Saturday 13th December, an occasion not to be missed. For over a hundred years, Rotary in Coventry has been supporting local and international charities and your support will enable that valued community work to continue.

Please do complete the booking form and return as soon as possible.

With our good wishes to both past and new exhibitors,

Ken Holmes

Rotarian and Past President

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Coventry

The Granary
Church Road
Baginton
CV8 3AR

07931737298 jen.holmes@gmx.com

You are invited to the Arts in Ministry Hub – Saturday 13th December 10am to 11am.



An invitation to meet with others who have a heart for 'Arts and Ministry'

Every blessing to you, Richard

Revd Canon Richard Hibbert
Vicar, Holy Trinity Coventry
Chaplain to the Lord Mayor of Coventry
Chaplain to the Freeman's Guild of Coventry
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