



News for you
from HTC!

Friday 15th
August, 2025

Dear friends,

Our joint **10:30am** services will continue until Sunday, 7th September.



CALENDAR OF WORSHIP & EVENTS



17 August 2025 9th Sunday after Trinity 	10.30am	All Age Holy Communion	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Theme: We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church Readings: 1 Peter 2:4-10 / Matthew 16:13-20 MISSION SLOT: HOPE Coventry, Jess Pollard.
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Readings: Psalm 119:17-32 / Isaiah 28:9-22 / 2nd Corinthians 8:1-9
20 August 2025	12.00pm	Holy Communion	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert
24 August 2025 10th Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	All Age Holy Communion	Preacher: Jim Kendall Theme: Bartholomew, the Apostle Readings: Acts 5:12-16 / Luke 22:24-30
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Leader: Revd Carolyn Powell Readings: Psalm 116 / Deuteronomy 18:15-19 / Matthew 10:1-22
27 August 2025	12.00pm	Midday Prayer	Leader: Jim Kendall



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For your prayers this week:

Give thanks for:

- The ministry as Churchwarden of Chris Howard, and the remaining churchwardens.
- Our A Level students, who achieved their desired university outcomes.
- The extra households who have signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme.

Pray for:

- Church Family Picnic (Sunday 17 August) to be a joyful and safe occasion.
- The doors of Holy Trinity to be physically and spiritually open to welcome and witness to the salvation found through Jesus Christ.
- Increasing numbers of church members/households to sign up to donations through the Parish Giving Scheme.
- Growth in our church's income to cover our expenditure in 2025.
- Preparation and plans for the autumn ministry among students and young adults, post-Alpha guests and Confirmation candidates.
- The discernment of the next Area Dean for Coventry North (our deanery).
- The next Archbishop of Canterbury to be unifying for the Church of England.
- Mercy, justice and boldness for the persecuted church to proclaim the Gospel, especially in sub-Saharan Africa, Middle East and South Asia.
- Just and fair peace across our world, especially Ukraine, Iran, Gaza, Israel, Sudan, and the staying of the hands of the men and women of violence.
- Swift and full healing to Chris H, Julie R and others known to you.

Please pray for this month's Mission Partner: *HOPE Coventry*:

- ***For steady funding*** to come forward, especially for our ***Good Neighbours older people's outreach work***. We have a Good Neighbours deficit of around £30k for this year.
- ***For the Great Gospel Giveaway*** to be successful. Since mid-July, the first churches in West-ish Coventry have already collected over half a warehouse pallet's worth of Mark's Gospels to give away at events and door-to-door over the coming weeks. Pray for open hearts to the message of love.
- ***For our Move for HOPE event*** to reach new people. ***On 26th August we are holding a sponsored run / walk / static bike and stall event at the Xcel Centre, where all ages are invited to take part. So far, we have older people able to come and share***

- *their stories, but few people have some forward to be sponsored.*
<https://youtu.be/ijcOesOJ-vA>
 - *For the launch of **HOPE Hubs**. Churches across the city have stated they wish to work together on **Wellbeing, Homelessness, and Kids and Families**. Our HOPE Hubs on*
 - *these topics will have their first meetings in September. Pray that God would direct those who need to be in the room to come forward. Church reps can join, with the blessing of their church leader, via <http://tinyurl.com/HOPEHubsMay25>.*
 - *For **more volunteers**, especially **Christian befrienders**, to come forward. We have housebound older people telling us they would like a visitor to come and pray with them and talk about faith each week over a cup of tea, but not enough people to fulfil this need.*
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A word from Richard: [What's Happening on the Cross?](#)

Congratulations:

To our A Level students, who achieved their desired University next step.

To Roshni and Jackson on the safe delivery of a baby girl on 7 August, weighing 6lbs 11oz (3.06kg), a sister to Miraclyn.

Fire Drill

This will take place during one of the summer **10.30am** Sunday services. The congregation will be guided by the service leader and wardens to safely exit and where to gather. The service will continue once the congregation are returned to the church.

Meet our 11.15am Congregational Pastors

Hi! We're Dani, Dawood and Toto — your Congregational Pastors.

We're here to help you feel at home and get connected into the life of the church. Whether you're new or have been around for a while, we'd love to support you in finding a fellowship group or direct you to someone if you have questions, practical needs, or would like prayer.

A little about us: Dani is from Brazil, Dawood is from Pakistan, and Toto is from Hong Kong — and we all understand what it's like to find your place in a new community. Please feel free to come and say hi on a Sunday or get in touch anytime — we'd love to hear from you!

Vacancy (volunteer) – Evensong Overseers

Working with Vino (verger) and service leader, be part of a team that welcomes and oversees this growing service.

Key duties

- Welcome attendees
- Hand out and collect back hymn books/inserts
- Count the congregation numbers and record in Service Register
- Manage Offertory basket collection and safe delivery to church office

Evensong or Evening Prayer occur every Sunday at 5pm (except Advent Sunday, Sunday before Christmas and Candlemas when service is 6pm).

For more information or register interest, please contact a churchwarden (Nehemiah, Andrew, Jenny) or the church office hoffice@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

Vacancy (volunteer) – Member of the Finance Team

The Finance Team meets 4-5 times a year to review our church income and expenditure, and to seek to resource the overall ministry of Holy Trinity. The Team seeks additional wisdom from those with some financial or accountancy background. Please ask Kathryn Hunter (Church Treasurer), or Richard Hibbert (Vicar) for more information.

Baptism and/or Confirmation – this autumn (12 November)

If you are thinking about baptism and/or confirmation, Richard Hibbert will be leading Bible studies, reflections and discussions in preparation on **Wednesdays – 4.30pm to 6pm, starting 1st October through to 19th November** in Trinity House. Please let him know of your interest to explore.

For young people, please can parents speak with Thomas, Lead Families and Youth Minister, about arrangements for confirmation preparation.

Confirmation Service

Wednesday 12 November
at 7.30pm at Holy Trinity
with Bishop Sophie.

Children's Ministry – 10.30am Sunday services during summer holidays

For further details, please speak to Thomas or email him:

youthandfamilies@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

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

We resume on **21 September 2025**

JOB VACANCY – Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-Upon-Avon - Seeking Parish Nurse

<https://www.stratford-upon-avon.org/staff-vacancies>

Visit Egypt (with Revd Richard) – February 2026

After a very successful Tunisia tour last April, we're in touch with Archbishop Samy and friends in the Diocese of Egypt about a group visit to Egypt in February 2026.

We've identified February 3rd to 15th 2026 as a good time to get a glimpse of their life, witness and ministry. Our itinerary will include Cairo, Alexandria, Minya, Aswan & Luxor, returning to UK from Luxor.

Participants will book their own flights. We'll be able to advise on the outward flight to Cairo (Sphinx or Cairo International airports) and the return from Luxor. The optimum group size is around a dozen. We estimate the cost for all internal travel, half board accommodation and visits will be £1400 per person.

Please let Revd Richard know to register your interest –
richardhibbert@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk – by 28th August.

Other News:

Mission Focus August 2025: Hope Coventry

Hope coordinates inter-church activities within Coventry. For example, they run regular citywide 'Praise and Prayer' events (e.g. at Motofest); and they support 'Healing prayer on the streets', and the Coventry House of Prayer. They run a local befriending service, known as 'Good Neighbours', **which is looking for new volunteers** to befriend elderly or lonely people. An initiative this summer (*The Great Gospel Giveaway*) aims to give out 10,000 copies of Mark's Gospel to individuals and homes in Coventry.

They also bring church and Christian leaders in the city together twice a year for 'Leaders' Lunches' and are a channel of communication between Coventry churches. They provide information to signpost people to appropriate agencies in time of need, e.g. working closely with the Coventry branch of 'Christians against Poverty'.

For more information go to: <https://hopecoventry.org.uk>, or see some of the posters and booklets on display in church. There will be a presentation about their work in our morning service on August 17th.

Aural Histories Concert - Friday 12th September 2025, 7.30pm - c.8.30pm at Holy Trinity Church (Free admission with refreshments provided after the concert)

Holy Trinity Church, Coventry and the Aural Histories: Coventry 1451-1642 project, based at Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, warmly invite you to attend the closing concert of this three-year research project, which has been investigating the experience of music in the Coventry's lost performance spaces.

The concert will take place in Holy Trinity Church on Friday 12th September 2025 at 7.30pm and will last approximately one hour. The concert is free for all. Refreshments will be provided after.

The Choir of Holy Trinity Church, directed by Alexander Norman, will be joined by members of His Majesty's Sagbutts and Cornetts and the Binchois Consort to present a programme of music from two turbulent centuries of English history. The performance will be accompanied by visual imagery depicting Holy Trinity Church, St Michael's Parish

Church (the old cathedral), and St Mary's Guildhall as they may have appeared at key points in time between 1451 and 1642.

This event gives us the opportunity to celebrate a wonderfully fruitful collaboration between Holy Trinity Church and Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, and we would be delighted to see you there.

In addition, the Aural Histories project will host a launch event for a smartphone app developed as part of the research in the School Room at Trinity House on Thursday 11th September 2025 at 6pm. The event is primarily intended to publicise the app amongst the heritage, tourism, and cultural sectors in Coventry and explore ways in which Coventry organisations may benefit from this work. If you would be interested in attending, you would be more than welcome. In order to manage numbers, please use this Eventbrite link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/aural-histories-coventry-app-launch-tickets-1503994009569?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Workplace witness – How to Speak of Jesus in your Workplace



Ennette Lainchbury unpacks one powerful verse from Paul's letter to the Colossians: 'Let your conversation always be full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.'

As you watch, you'll be equipped to do just that – growing authentic work relationships so that sharing the gospel is a natural part of conversation.

Watch video: [Workplace Witness](#)

Martha's Rule – A better understanding of what people think about implementing Martha's Rule in the NHS.

What is Martha's Rule? The NHS is implementing patient/family activated escalation systems, known as Martha's Rule, giving patients and their loved ones 24-hour access to a rapid review from an independent critical care team if they are worried about their or a family member's condition whilst they are in hospital.

Coventry University Implementing
Martha's Rule
A Research Project

Our Aims

The NHS patient/family activated escalation systems, known as Martha's Rule, gives patients and their loved ones 24-hours access to a rapid review from an independent critical care team if they are worried about their or a family member's condition whilst they are in hospital. This is where we need YOU!...

Your Input

Do you live in Coventry or Warwickshire? Are you of the Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic community? Are you aged 18 years or over? Have you had a recent stay in hospital or has a relative recently been in hospital? If "YES", we want to hear from you. These discussions can take place at a time that is convenient for you, and everything you say will be kept confidential. Because we value your voice (and your time), we are offering a £25 shopping voucher as a "thank you" for taking part. For more information, please view the contact details below...

Researchers: Dr Eleanor Lutman-White and Funmi Ladeinde
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How can you help? We would like to connect with local organisations for those from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds. We think communities have important things to say about what can make Martha's Rule accessible to everyone.

Who are we? We are researchers from Coventry University who are interested in access to healthcare.



If you would like to find out more about this project, please get in touch:

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Celebration of Lay Ministry 2025 at 5pm, Saturday 20th September – You are invited



We have nominated our amazing volunteers for their

Noteable ministry and service

and you are invited to

Celebration of Lay Ministry 2025
September

Saturday **20** 5.00pm

Coventry Cathedral

Followed by refreshments

Additional guests are very welcome



Rend Collective – Friday 26th September in Birmingham



The Irish worship band Rend Collective (My Lighthouse, Build Your kingdom here, the Joy of the Lord) is coming to Birmingham. Friday 26th September, 7pm. Tickets are £39/person.

Contact Carolyne if you're interested in going together.

Coventry Foodbank – current needs for August 2025:

- instant mashed potato
- jam
- tinned vegetables
- UHT long-life milk
- cooking sauces
- tinned meat
- dry noodles
- tinned fruit

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.

Security Reminder!

Your valuables - please take your valuables (e.g. handbag) with you when you go forward to take Communion.

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

Every blessing to you,
Richard

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