

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



Our notices are available on our website/social media: Holy Trinity Church Coventry. To <u>unsubscribe</u> from our email, please reply with the word '<u>unsubscribe</u>'.

To watch our live /recorded services, please subscribe to our YouTube channel: Holy Trinity Coventry.

For your prayers this week:

Give thanks for:

- The children and young people, who worship with us.
- Teachers and all who work in schools who have welcomed children for their first day back at school and are part of shaping the character and skills of future generations
- For God's work in making Coventry a place where the arts can be celebrated and his presence shared in sacred music thanks to Birmingham conservatoire's research on Medieval Coventry music

Pray for:

- Heritage Week visitors coming to HTC: opportunities to show God's love and welcome and to share the Hope of Christ
- Preparation and plans to welcome new students and young adults as they come to study and work in Coventry.
- Wisdom and discernment as preparation and plans are made to offer a disciplemaking approach to discipleship to all students and young adults.
- Confirmation candidates to grow in faith, love and knowledge of Jesus.
- Plans for our Harvest Sunday service (28 September @ 10.30am) and Bring & Share lunch afterwards, whilst supporting the work of Christian relief charity, TearFund.
- Plans to offer prayer ministry on Sundays
- 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.
- 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, Bob W, and others known to you.
- HTC to be filled with the presence and glory of God

Please pray for this month's Mission Partner: Coffee Tots: Pray for their mission and ministry towards single parents and children, offering a safe space of belonging education and faith. Pray for their witness and further fundings.

A word from Richard: Stay tuned . . .

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=oddtdtcreator

Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Coventry! - Sunday 28th September at 10.30am



You are warmly invited to join us for our Harvest Festival celebration on Sunday, 28th September 2025! Come and give thanks for the blessings of the harvest season with us, as we support the wonderful work of **Tearfund**.

Our special Harvest Festival service, led by the children, youth, and young adults of our congregation, will take place at 10:30am. We will come together in worship, prayer, and celebration, and will be followed by a bring-and-share lunch.

All are welcome to attend and share in the joy of the harvest season. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating this special occasion together, as we learn more about Tearfund's mission and work.

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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 <a href="https://https

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 1**st **October through to 19**th **November** in Trinity House. Please let him know of your interest to explore.

For young people, we are excited to announce that our Confirmation Preparatory Class will commence on **Friday**, **19th September 2025**, **from 6pm to 7:30p**m at Trinity House. This class is open to young people aged 12 and above who are interested in learning more about the significance of Confirmation and preparing for this special sacrament.

We encourage families to support their children in this journey of faith and spiritual growth. If your child is interested in being confirmed, we invite you to join us for this preparatory class.

For more information, please contact Thomas, the Youth and Families Minister.

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

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.

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

Office Space for Rent at Trinity House



Need a quiet office space at a prime location in the heart of Coventry city? Contact us at E: trinityhouse@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk T:0247 622 0418 or visit our website: www.holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

Other News:

Mission Focus, September 2025: Coffee Tots



Coffee Tots is a Christian organisation which helps parents to be more joyful and confident in raising their children, especially when they are finding the task lonely or challenging. It is based within the Wave Waterpark café, and many people from Holy Trinity have worked or volunteered with them. Staff and volunteers offer love, support and friendship while encouraging the parents to play, read and engage with their children, to improve the parent/child relationship as well as the child's development. Sessions are also held to help parents with issues such as relationship breakdown, poor mental or physical health, financial struggles or domestic violence. Coffee Tots received the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2016. We will have an update at the morning services on September 14th.

For further information, visit: https://www.coffeetots.co.uk

The Light House needs you 🛠 - Emergency Appeal

The Light House, one of HTC's mission partners is sad to report that after almost 40 years of serving the community, they may be forced to close their doors by the end of 2025.

Since 1986, The Light House has stood upon the promise of Isaiah 61:1, providing affordable, accessible, and high-quality counselling to those who need it, believing that healing and restoration are part of God's redemptive plan for every life. They hold fast to the conviction that mental health care should never be a privilege reserved for the few, but a lifeline extended to all, especially the vulnerable and the weary especially with NHS services under immense pressure and demand far outstripping supply, their role has become more vital than ever.

Your support, whether financial or prayerful, and your contribution, no matter the size, will help ensure that the most vulnerable continue to receive care marked by dignity, compassion, and faith.

For more information: The Light house Emergency Appeal

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



City Praise & Prayer Regionals - Sunday 21 September at 6:30pm, around the city.

These gatherings form part of a strategic move to cover the city of Coventry in prayer, bringing believers together from different churches, in the places where they live, work or have particular connections.

Each gathering will be steered by the Regional leaders, with band-led worship and prayer facilitated by different leaders from that region.



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
- tinned vegetables
- cooking sauces
- dry noodles

- jam
- UHT long-life milk
- tinned meat
- 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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