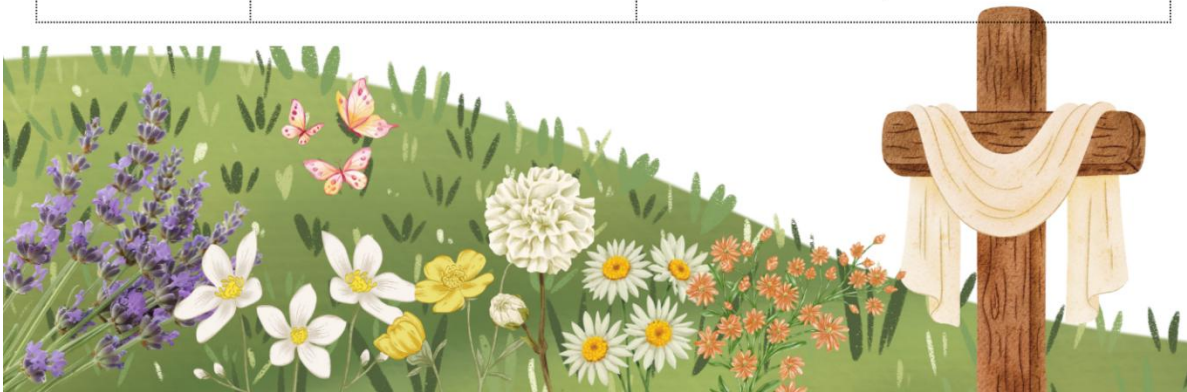


April 2026

Date	Service/Event	Theme and/or Reading
Sunday 26 April	All Age Holy Communion – 9.30am Easter 4	Preacher: Revd Carolyne Powell 1 Pet 2:19-end
	All Age Holy Communion – 11.15am Easter 4	Preacher: Revd Carolyne Powell 1 Pet 2:19-end / John 10:1-10 Baptism of Leon and Jonas
	Evensong– 5.00pm	Leader: Simon Brake Ezra 3:1-13 / Eph 2:11-end
Wednesday 29 April	Holy Communion – 12 Noon Catherine of Siena	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Prov 8:1, 6-11 / John 17:12-end
Sunday 03 May	Morning Worship – 9.30am Easter 5	Preacher: Bishop Sophie Jelley 1 Pet 2:2-10
	Holy Communion – 11.15am Easter 5	Preacher: Bishop Sophie Jelley 1 Pet 2:2-10 / John 14:1-14
	Evensong– 5.00pm	Leader: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Zech 4:1-10 / Reve 21:1-14



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To unsubscribe from our email, please reply with the word 'unsubscribe'.*

Click the below links to view or download this Sunday Insert;

[Holy Communion 11:15AM Service](#)

[Evensong - 5:00PM Service](#)

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

For your prayers this week:

Give thanks for:

- The life and faith of Queen Elizabeth II, whose 100th birthday would have been celebrated on 21 April.
- The ministry of our Sunday tech team: PA, Livestream, laptop

Pray for

- Our Annual Meeting (Sunday 17 May) to be an encouraging time.
- Regular worshippers at Holy Trinity to register for the church's electoral roll.
- Those being called to serve as Churchwarden, Deanery & PCC representatives.
- An increase in those willing to serve our young people (secondary school) with Thomas and the present team (Rob, Jacki, Jim, Kathryn)
- God's person to take on the role of PCC HR Officer (see advert)
- Terry Kingsley, PCC Social Media Team Leader, and the creation of further people to serve in content creation and content monitoring.
- Bishop Sophie, leading our Diocese, and her visit to HTC on Sunday 3 May.
- God's overruling of the City Council elections (7 May).
- Wisdom for City Council officers/staff, preparing for new/returning councillors.
- Generosity towards the cost of the IT screens, to be installed in the church
- Peace for a broken and divided world, and just and kindly governments to be established
- Support for this month's Mission Partner: Coventry Foodbank
- Those you know in need of healing, comfort, encouragement

Queen Elizabeth II centenary prayer

Gracious God, we give you thanks for all that you gave to Church, nation and Commonwealth through the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth II. We remember with

gratitude her long life of Christian witness, her compassion for those in need, and her devotion to duty. As we mark the centenary of her birth, grant that, inspired by her example, we may serve you faithfully in our own generation, with steadfast hearts, merciful hands, and trust in your providence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A word from Richard: [They are human](#)

New Feature: Miracle Stories

We're excited to introduce a new section in our newsletter called **"Miracle Stories."** Have you experienced a moment of hope, faith, or an unexpected blessing in your life?

We would love to hear about it. You are invited to share your short miracle stories with us, and each Friday we will feature one story in the newsletter.

All submissions will remain anonymous unless you would like your name to be included.

Your story could be a source of encouragement and inspiration to others in our community.

To submit your story, please email Rebeccaa at parishmanager@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you! 😊

***** NEW *** UPDATE on TV display screens in church**

Having received permission from the Diocese to proceed, applications have been made to various grant-making bodies. First replies are expected by end March. Personal donations have increased the funding, so that we now hold in total **£34,435**. Total cost is £80,000. Can you prayerfully consider your donation to join those already given, so that we can reach our target quickly?

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: Screens

Barn Dance – Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who came to the Barn Dance last Saturday and made it such a wonderful success. The energy on the dance floor was fantastic—you danced the night away!

The event was intended as a social gathering, but we're delighted to share that it also raised £135, which will be donated to the church screens project.

Thank you again for your support and enthusiasm.

Holy Trinity Coventry is seeking: PCC Human Resources Officer (Voluntary)

Are you excited by helping the PCC fulfil its administrative and statutory functions as an employer?

We are seeking a volunteer to serve as the PCC Human Resources Officer (HRO) is designated by the PCC to oversee human resources (staffing) issues within the Holy Trinity Church (HTC) Coventry. Helpful support and advice is provided by the Diocesan HR Advisor.

The HRO's role is to advise and support the PCC and parish Line Managers in all paid staff related issues, excluding licensed clergy.

For further information and role description, please contact Rebecca Roy (parishmanager@holytrinitycoventry.org.uk – 024 7602 2418).

Exploring Confirmation (completing your baptism or renewing faith again)

If you were baptised recently or baptised some time ago, even as an infant, Confirmation is a wonderful way to reaffirm your baptism faith with Bishop Sophie, who will pray for you to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

A group will start meeting soon for a few weeks, helpfully exploring our faith. If you are interested in considering this, please contact Revd Richard or Revd Carolyne.

Licensing Service – Revd Jo Ogjanovic

We are delighted to share the news that Revd Jo Ogjanovic, who worshipped with us until 2021, is to be licensed as Rector of the Benefice of Bugbrooke, Harpole, Kislingbury and Rothersthorpe.

Her licensing service will take place on:

Thursday 4th June at 7.30pm
St Michael's and All Angels Church
Church Lane, Bugbrooke, NN7 3RG

Revd Jo warmly invites all to support her on this special occasion.

If you are interested in going, please contact Catherine Kendall in the first instance, who will be happy to pass on further details.

What is City Nature Challenge?

City Nature Challenge is a worldwide celebration of biodiversity.

Engage in a friendly competition to discover, document and appreciate the richness of nature in our region.

Together we can make Warwickshire, Coventry and Solihull nature-loving champions.

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Electoral Roll

You are invited to join the Holy Trinity Electoral Roll, if you have not already done so.

Under the Church Representation Rules, you can be on the Electoral Roll if you are:

- (a) baptised
- (b) aged 16 or over, and
- (c) have habitually attended Holy Trinity for at least six months *or* you live in the parish

Why go on the Electoral Roll?

It is a way of declaring that you are a member of Holy Trinity and entitles you to vote in any elections at the Parochial Church Council Annual General Meeting. Anyone wishing to be a member of the PCC will need to have been on the Electoral Roll for six months.



How can I make sure I am included on the new Electoral Roll?

There are new paper copies available at the back of church.

There's also an online form, which you can access via

<https://forms.office.com/e/yXvParNsvD>

Or you can scan in the QR code on your phone/tablet. **Please submit your application before 1 May 2026.**

Julie Wilcockson, Electoral Roll Officer

Annual Meetings

Each Parish Church is required to hold an Annual Meeting of Parishioners at which the Church Wardens are elected, and an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) at which the Parochial Church Council (PCC) presents reports to the Church on any

changes to the Electoral Roll; the finances of the Church; the Building and Fabric; and on the activities of the Diocese and Deanery that the Parish Church belongs to. New PCC members are also elected for a 3-year term at the APCM.

This year's Annual Meetings are on Sunday, 17 May 2026 at 10.45am. There are vacancies for PCC members. If you are interested in standing for election there are nomination forms available on the Church website or by the PCC noticeboard. There are also a description of the responsibilities and a list of meeting dates available.

We also seeking another Church Warden and if you want to find out more about what this involves, please speak to Richard or one of the Wardens.

Music for Eastertide

We are delighted to share two upcoming musical events at Holy Trinity:

Organ Recital – Saturday 2 May, 1:00pm

Our Director of Music, Alex Norman, will give his annual organ recital with the theme *Music for the Easter Season*. The recital will last around 40 minutes. Admission is free, with donations welcome in support of the Organ Appeal. Do come along—and feel free to bring friends for a sociable lunchtime in town.



Holy Trinity Coventry
Free Saturday Lunchtime
Spring Recital Series 2026



Alex Norman

(Organ)

**Saturday May 2nd
at 1.00pm**

**Music for
Eastertide**

Free admission

Inspiring concerts given in a beautiful setting, raising funds
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holytrinitycoventry.org.uk 02476 220418

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‘Without Words ...’ – Wednesday 6 May

Part of the *Mostly Piano* series, this recital features Anthony Williams performing a programme of vocally inspired piano works, including music by Felix Mendelssohn, Franz Schubert (arr. Franz Liszt), and Gerald Finzi (arr. Madden).

The Mostly Piano concert series at Holy Trinity Church
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5EX

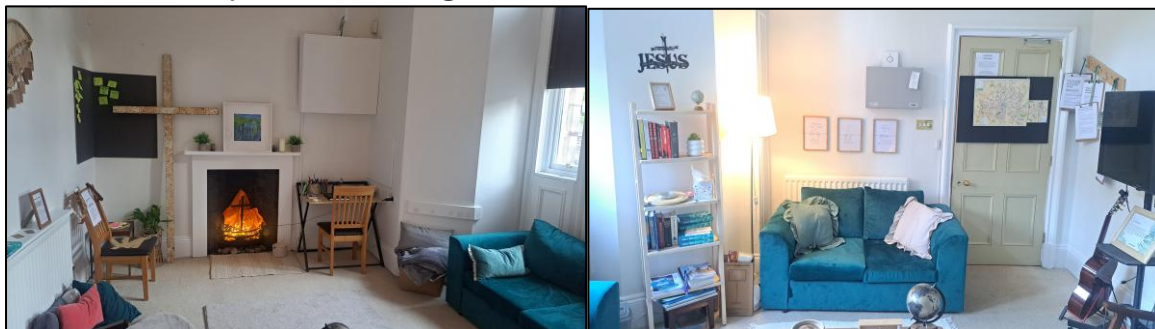
Free admission – donations on exit

All are warmly invited to enjoy these inspiring musical offerings during the Easter season.

Prayer Room – available for you to pray and pause

Please join Revd Carolyne and others as she leads our praying for God’s church and world.

There is one meeting where transforming change happens; it’s when the church prays. Come and be part of making that difference in our world, our church, our lives.



Thy Kingdom Come 2026 – Join the Journey

For the 11th year, from Ascension to Pentecost, we are invited to take part in *Thy Kingdom Come*. This year's theme, “**God with us,**” beautifully reflects our shared calling to *Walk Forward Together*.

Bishop Sophie Jelley encourages us this year to:

Go deeper

Set aside a little more time for prayer each day. Could you add five extra minutes, pray for a few more people, or establish a regular place and pattern of prayer? You might try something new—such as a prayer walk, quiet contemplation, or another practice God places on your heart.

Pray with others

If your church, school, or chaplaincy is planning an event, consider inviting others to join you. Shared prayer strengthens our community and widens our welcome.

Be bold and expectant

We are reminded in the Bible that God is a loving Father who hears His children. Whatever you bring in prayer—big or small—do so with hope and expectation. As it says in Gospel of Luke 18:1: “*Keep on praying and never give up!*”

To hear more about this year's invitation and encouragement, watch Bishop Sophie's message here:

<https://www.coventry.anglican.org/your-faith/prayer/thy-kingdom-come-2026>

Let us come together in faith, prayer, and expectation as we seek God's presence and guidance in our lives and communities.

Coventry Foodbank Mission focus April 2026



Coventry has 13 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 £1500 in 2025, 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.

Please note there is a still a great need for these regular donations of food.

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.

***** NEW *** Coventry Foodbank – urgent needs for April 2026:**

- Tinned fruit
- Tea Bags
- Instant Coffee
- Toiletries (Male/Female)
- Dry Noodles
- Biscuits
- Fruit Juice or Squash
- Tinned Vegetables

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.

Safeguarding audit



The safeguarding practices of the diocese will be audited by an independent organisation for a few months, starting in March. The INEQE Safeguarding Audit is a major part of the Church of England’s national commitment to strengthening safeguarding culture, practice, and accountability across every diocese, cathedral, and palace.

INEQE will choose to speak to some specific people, probably a broad range of representatives, people and post holders from across the diocese which they will select. **However, a huge part of the audit is captured through the online surveys, which will be open for around 6 to 8 weeks, everyone who wishes to will have the opportunity to share their voice**, we're hoping that hundreds across the diocese will take this opportunity to use their voice

To be part of the survey, click [here](#)

You can also watch a video by Bishop Sophie [here](#)

Every blessing to you,
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