

# HOLY TRINITY HEADINGTON QUARRY



HOLY COMMUNION

*All Saints Day*

*1st November 2020*

## *Words of welcome and parish prayer*

### **Hymn**

For all the saints who from their labours rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest. Alleluia.

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;  
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness, still their one true light. Alleluia.

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia.

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia.

But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;  
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:  
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl stream in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia.

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### **The Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you**

## **Prayers of Penitence**

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,  
let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so  
closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

*Silence is kept*

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy, and walk humbly with you,  
our God. Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Let us pray

*Silence is kept*

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
**Amen.**

## ***The Liturgy of the Word***

## **Readings**

*Please sit*

**First Reading:** Revelation 7. 9-end

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and

the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,  
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honour  
and power and might  
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Music:** Celtic Alleluia

**Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Those who trust in God will understand truth,  
and the faithful will abide with God in love,  
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones.

**Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel reading:** Matthew 5.1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**Sermon**

Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

*Please stand*

**Affirmation of Faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty.**

**We believe and trust in Jesus Christ His Son.**

**We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.**

**We believe and trust in the Three in One**

*From the Northumbrian Community*

*Please sit*

## Prayers of Intercession

*These responses may be used*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Please stand*

## The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*We share the peace with a simple bow or wave to those around us*

*Please sit*

**Anthem** O Quam Gloriosum, Victoria

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside  
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,  
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together  
from the corners of the earth  
into your kingdom.  
**Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right our duty and our joy  
Always and everywhere to give you thanks  
Holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.  
We rejoice in the glorious splendour of your majesty  
for you have given us a share  
in the inheritance of the saints in light.  
In the darkness of this passing age  
they proclaim the glory of your Kingdom.  
Chosen as lights in the world,  
they surround our steps as we journey on  
towards the city of eternal light  
where they sing the everlasting song of triumph.  
In communion with angels and archangels  
and all who have served you on earth  
and worship you now in heaven,  
we raise our voices to proclaim your glory,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;



who in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:  
**Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life;  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us, so we pray.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

*We say*

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.**

### Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,**

**to the glory of God the Father.**

*As the president receives the bread and wine, all who wish to receive communion join in saying 'Amen'.*

The body of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Communion will be administered in silence. Please remain seated while we bring communion to you. If you do not wish to receive communion, the priest will pray a silent blessing instead – please clearly hold this service booklet to indicate this.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:  
may we who have shared at this table  
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth  
be welcomed with all your saints  
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

### ***The Sending Out***

#### **Hymn**

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

### **The Blessing**

God give you grace to follow all the saints in faith and hope and love, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen**

### **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it.*

## Notices

**The Flowers in church** today have been given in memory of a much loved son and brother Samuel James Day. With love from his Mum, Dad and sisters Lydia and Phoebe.

### Heating in church

We are continuing to keep the heating on during services whilst the front door remains open to ensure good ventilation as a Covid precaution. Please wrap up warm when you come to church. We will keep the situation under review and do let us know if you have any concerns or questions. The heating is turned down at all other times in the week.

### All Soul Service

Our All Souls Service will be today, Sunday November 1st, and Helen has confirmed places with those who are attending. If you are not attending the service but would like to come earlier in the day to light a candle to remember someone, please come any time between 2pm-5pm when candles will be available to light and will stay lit for the service. The service will be available to listen to on our website afterwards from approximately 8pm onwards.

### Forest Church

Our November forest church services will be on **Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup>** and **Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup>**, at 3pm. The two services will have the same content, but we are holding two as a way of managing the demand, so we ask families please to sign up for one of those dates.

### Remembrance Sunday

We will be marking Remembrance Sunday on **Sunday November 8<sup>th</sup>**, with two services at the usual times of 9.30am and 10.45am. Please sign up in the usual way. We will hold the act of remembrance inside the church this year. The wreath will be laid at the memorial shortly after each service.

### Oxford's Christmas Light Festival

Please see <https://www.oxlightfest.com/> for more information about the Christmas Light Festival taking place throughout the city on **November 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please do get creative by making something illuminated to share online, or making a local light trail, or writing a message of hope and inspiration. We are hoping to install an outdoor Christmas tree in the churchyard as part of the festival. 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it' (John 1.5).

### Prayers for Hope and Healing

Our fortnightly contemplative prayer gathering will continue on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

November at 8.30pm on Zoom.

### **Spiritual Care Groups**

As we approach what looks like set to be a difficult winter, we are forming a network of 'spiritual care' groups within the church community. Group members will be asked to pray for one another, and also to provide any practical support to one another if necessary. You should hear about your group in the coming weeks, and if you don't wish to be part of this scheme, please just let Laura know.

### **Welcome to Placement Students**

We are delighted to welcome Ninus Khako and Ash David, from Ripon College Cuddesdon, as placement students this year. We look forward to getting to know them and supporting them on their journey towards ordination.

### **Holy Trinity Headington Quarry**

*An open door between heaven and earth,  
showing God's love to all.*

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#### **Pastoral Care**

Please contact Laura or any member of the team if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral support:

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