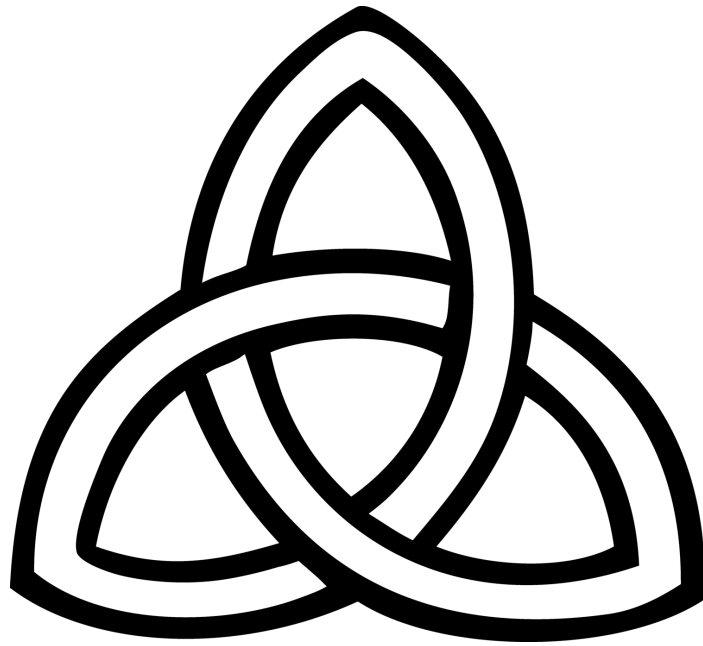


Holy Trinity  
Headington Quarry



Trinity Sunday  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 10.00am

## Hymn

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*Please stand.*

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

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore confess our sins to God our redeemer.

*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 in Jesus Christ has given us  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive you your sins,  
open your eyes to God's truth,  
strengthen you to do God's will  
and give you the joy of God's kingdom,  
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**

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **Readings**

#### **Isaiah 6. 1-8**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is this word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

The kingdom of God is justice and joy,  
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,  
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,  
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,  
and hope is awakened instead of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice,  
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,  
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,  
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;  
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,  
and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.

## Gospel Reading

*Please stand*

Alleluia, alleluia

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come,  
the Almighty.

**Alleluia.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you O Lord.**

## John 3.1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without

being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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*

## Prayers of Intercession

*Please sit or kneel*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*At the end*

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

## The Peace

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you.  
**and also with you**

## Hymn

How shall I sing that majesty  
which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
thy throne, O God most high;  
ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears,  
whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
a sound of God comes to my ears,  
but they behold thy face.  
They sing, because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
for where heaven is but once begun  
there alleluias be.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
to sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
a sun without a sphere;  
thy time is now and evermore,  
thy place is everywhere.

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine. **Amen.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

*Please sit or stand as you are most comfortable*

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,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

And now we give you thanks, most gracious God,  
holy and undivided Trinity:  
because you have given us the light of the knowledge of God  
in the face of Jesus Christ,  
that we may grow into your likeness,



and be changed from glory to glory.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Please sit or kneel*

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**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The president receives communion while people join in from home.*

Music during Communion: Hasley, O Lux beata Trinitas

### **Prayer after Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

**You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,  
and you have made yourself known  
in the breaking of the bread.  
Abide with us, we pray,**

**that, blessed by your royal presence,  
we may walk with you  
all the days of our life,  
and at its end behold you  
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,  
one God for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Hymn**

I bind unto myself today  
the strong name of the Trinity  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One and One in Three.

I bind this day to me forever,  
by power of faith, Christ's incarnation,  
his baptism in the Jordan river,  
his death on cross for my salvation,  
his bursting from the spiced tomb,  
his riding up the heavenly way,  
his coming at the day of doom,  
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today  
the virtues of the starlit heaven,  
the glorious sun's life-giving ray,  
the whiteness of the moon at even,  
the flashing of the lightning free,  
the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,  
the stable earth, the deep salt sea  
around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today  
the power of God to hold and lead,  
God's eye to watch, God's might to stay,  
God's ear to hearken to my need,  
the wisdom of my God to teach,  
God's hand to guide, God's shield to ward,  
the word of God to give me speech,  
God's heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me.  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name,  
the strong name of the Trinity  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One and One in Three,  
of whom all nature has creation,  
eternal Father, Spirit, Word.  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation;  
salvation is of Christ the Lord!

### **The Blessing**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side,  
and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, Son and 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 wait for any closing music to finish before leaving the service.  
We ask you to leave from the back pews first. You are welcome to  
use the chancel door if you are sitting near the front, but please mind  
the step! Please keep a safe distance from others as you depart, and  
remember to sanitize your hands on the way out.*

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## Notices

### The Parish Office

The Parish Office will reopen on Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### APCM Elections

Congratulations to our newly elected churchwarden Margaret Taylor and to Dave Smith who is continuing in the role. We also express our sincere thanks to Peter Garside for the dedication and hard work he brought to the role of churchwarden over the past four very eventful years. We thank our retiring PCC members Sue Saville and Philippa Logan, and congratulate our new PCC members Frances Farrar and Diana Harrison and our new deanery synod rep Janet Masters. Please pray for the work of the PCC and our next meeting which will be on Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup>. Laura's 'Vicar's Report' is available on the APCM web-page.

### Trinity Sunday: 30<sup>th</sup> May

10am Parish Eucharist. Fruits of the Spirit: Love

*Following the service, all are welcome to stay in church for an update on our plans to increase the capacity of the 10am service and a chance to help us 'rehearse' a new way for distributing communion.*

### Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>

10am Parish Eucharist. Fruits of the Spirit: Joy

6pm Choral Evensong (no pre-booking needed)

### Climate Sunday: Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup>

10am Parish Eucharist. Climate Sunday. Fruits of the Spirit: Goodness

Preacher: Revd Charlotte Bannister-Parker

3pm Forest Church for Families (repeat service on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June)

### Forest Church for Tots

We are delighted to be holding some outdoor sessions for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their grown-ups: we look forward to seeing some of our regular Tuesday morning families, and hopefully some new families too!

### Blues Service

A Blues Service will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm – the first since lockdown! Please sign up to attend in the normal way.

### Fundraising Events

We hope that fundraising events will be possible again this summer, and our events team are planning some tea and drinks parties over the summer period.

We hope to kick things off with an afternoon garden party at the Vicarage on

**Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup> from 3pm-5pm.** Laura and Dominic would be very grateful for some help with the catering and organisation: please get in touch if you can help!

### **New sound system feedback**

We would welcome feedback from anyone in the congregation who is experiencing any difficulties hearing the service in whatever part of the church they have been sitting in, since the new sound system was installed. Please email Helen in the Parish Office or ring her on Thursday morning on 762931.

### **Christian Aid Week Total**

This year we collected a total of £1450 in Christian Aid Week. £413 was collected at the Farmers Market and £1037 in church and through the JustGiving page. Well done and a special thank you to the collectors and singers who braved a very wet Saturday at the Farmers' Market.

### **OxClean 2021.**

Later than usual owing to the lockdown, this will take place next **Saturday 5th June** starting from **Quarry Hollow at 2 pm**. As in previous years we are joining the litter picking event organised by the Friends of Headington Quarry.

### **Church Yard working parties**

We can now have limited Workparties again, so we could start regular ones on the **second Saturday of each month 10 -12 noon**, weather permitting. Please contact Susan Houlton (744896) if you would like to take part.

### **Morning Prayer: Weekly on Mondays at 9am**

Morning Prayer will now take place in church again, but will break for half term and resume on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Prayers for Hope and Healing: Weekly on Thursdays at 8.30pm**

A chance to pause for a time of shared silence, as we hold one another and our world in God's compassionate gaze.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84521812373?pwd=ZTVkaFZZV25Ba3ZaYXR3RVQ1MEJMdz09>

Meeting ID: 845 2181 2373 Passcode: 738378

### **Eco Church Resources**

The Eco Team have put together a list of interesting webinars on environmental issues from various sources. Please see this link for more details: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/> 'Eco Resources: webinars to watch in June' will be the next batch.

### **Holy Trinity Headington Quarry**

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

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