

Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry



Remembrance Sunday
9th November 2025

Welcome and Introduction

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

Amen

Words of welcome and any notices are given.

We meet in the presence of God,
to commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith
for reconciliation between the nations,
that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

We pray for all who, in bereavement, disability and pain
continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow
those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present,
have been given and taken away.

During the first hymn children are welcome to join the Forest Sunday School taking place outside.

Please stand

Hymn 746

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) based on Psalm 90

The Greeting

The president says

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

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world;
its pride, its selfishness, its greed;
its evil divisions and hatreds.
Let us confess our share in what is wrong,
and our failure to seek and establish that peace
which God wills for his children.

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, we give you thanks and praise
Of heavenly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, Almighty Father, heavenly King.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, your glorious victory won,
Receive our prayer, grant us your peace within.**

**Alone, O Christ, you are the only Lord,
At God's right hand, in majesty most high.
Who with the Spirit, worshipped and adored
With all the heavenly host, we glorify.**

Tune: 'Woodlands'

The Collect

Let us pray.

God our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Job 19:23-27a

'O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.

CELTIC ALLELUIA



Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel reading: Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

The Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Please stand

Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in God.
**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Set Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

On this Sunday we remember all who have given their lives in war, especially members of our families, and members of this parish.

The response to the words May God give peace is **God give peace**

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

We pray for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war or terror, each one known to God. We remember their courage and self-sacrifice, and we pray for those who mourn their loss.

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

We pray for all who suffer physical or mental disability as the result of conflict, and we pray for those who care for them.

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

We pray for all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, and all who await their safe return.

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ commanded us to love our enemies. We pray to be delivered from hatred and the spirit of revenge.

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

We pray for the leaders of the nations. May they work for peace, and govern with justice and integrity. May they be mindful of their accountability to you, O God.

May God give peace. **God give peace.**

So be it. **Amen.**

The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.'

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

A minister says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of Peace.

Hymn 623

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm does bind the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid the rage did sleep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did brood
Upon the waters dark and rude,
And bid their angry tumult cease,
And give for wild confusion peace;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Your children shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire, and foe,
Protect them where-so-e'er they go;
Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting

Preparation of the Table

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

Amen.

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 right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.
**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me. *(Bells are rung)*
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me. *(Bells are rung)*
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;
holy is the Lord God almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord;
holy is the Lord God almighty,
who was, and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!**

**Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes;
Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name.
Blessed, blessed, blest the one who comes;
Blest the one who comes in the Lord's name.
who was, and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!**

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.**

Agnus Dei

**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.**

This is God's table and all are welcome. Regular communicants of their own tradition are invited to receive communion. The bread is distributed from the chancel step and the wine from that of the Lady Chapel, to the left. You may receive the bread only. Please do not dip your wafer in the chalice. Please inform a steward if you wish to receive communion in your seat. If you would prefer a blessing, please come up bringing this order of service with you.

Hymn

Hope for the world's despair
We feel the nations' pain
Can anything repair this broken earth again
For this we pray,
In every place,
A spark of grace to light the way.

Wisdom for all who bear
The future in their hand
Entrusted with the care of this and every land
When comes the hour,
O Lord, we pray,
inspire the way we spend our power.

Honour for all who've paid
War's painful, bitter price
When duty called they made the greatest sacrifice
Their memory
Will never cease
To cry for peace and harmony.

Ease for the troubled mind
In endless conflict caught
Each soul that cannot find the peace beyond all thought.
May they be blessed,
With healing balm,
For inner calm and perfect rest.

Love for the human heart
When hate grows from our fears
And inwardly we start to turn our ploughs to spears
Help us to sow
Love's precious seed
In word and deed, that peace may grow.

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'Love Unknown', John Ireland*

Prayer after Communion

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples.
Amen.**

Procession to the War Memorial

Please follow the procession, beginning with those seated at the back of church for the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial.

Act of Remembrance

Let us remember before God,
and commend to his safekeeping
those who have died for their country in war
those whom we knew, and those whose memory we treasure,
and all those who have lived and died in the service of the
peoples of the world.

Let us remember in particular the people of this parish who
gave their lives in the two World Wars:

*The names of those from Headington Quarry who died in the two
World Wars are read out.*

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will
remember them.

We will remember them.

*The Last Post is played
Silence is kept
The Reveille is played*

The Kohima Epitaph is said:

When you go home
tell them of us and say,
for your tomorrow
we gave our today.

*A wreath of poppies is laid on the War Memorial by a member of Holy
Trinity Church.*

*Members of 7th Headington Brownies place their tributes on the war
memorial.*

Prayers

Let us pray.

O God of truth and justice
we hold before you those whose memory we cherish,
and those whose names we will never know.
Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,
and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.
As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future:
for you are the source of life and hope, now and forever.

Amen.

Most holy God and Father,
hear our prayers for all those who strive for peace and all who fight
for justice.

Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better
tomorrow; and as we commend to you lives lost in terror and
conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord

Amen.

For all Armed Forces

O God, we pray for the armed forces of all nations: give them
courage and comfort in hardship and danger. May their efforts and
sacrifices be made in the cause of justice and peace; to the honour of
your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

For pacifists and conscientious objectors

We pray for those with a different vision of how peace will come to
our world. We pray for those who have taken a stand as pacifists and
conscientious objectors that their work, too, may contribute to the
peace of the world, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Act of Commitment

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

We will.

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us
that have not yet been cast out by love:
may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people,
and live lives of justice, courage and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer.

Amen.

The Blessing

May God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to all humanity, peace and concord;
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting.
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The National Anthem

**God save our gracious King!
Long live our noble King!
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.**

The Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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Voluntary: Pomp and circumstance March No.4 in G – *Edward Elgar*

Please join us for refreshments, served at the back of church. Please keep the flow moving by heading away from the serving hatch once you've got a drink, and feel free to use the space at the back of church or in our meeting room to mingle.

Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it. We no longer pass the collection plate around during the service, but you are welcome to use the collection plate at the back of church, or the contactless machine, if you would like to make a donation to support the work of our church. If you would like to sign up to regular monthly giving, please visit www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church for more information.

Notices: November 9th

Clergy will highlight some of these notices in their brief welcome. If there is something you would particularly like highlighted at the start of the service, please notify the clergy (by email or phone) in good time before the service, or speak to them before the service starts if this is not possible.

9 November: Remembrance Sunday

8am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

President Revd Martin Little

Preacher: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Deacon: Revd Prof Rob Gilbert

Organist: Andrew Patterson

10.50am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

12.30 Baptism of George Walker

Midweek Services

9am Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday when the Vicar is available.

The Church is normally open for private prayer every day during daylight hours.

10am Wednesday Eucharist followed by refreshments.

16 November: Second Sunday before Advent

8am Holy Communion

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10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

President Revd Canon Margaret Whipp

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The Parish Office new opening times will be as follows: Monday 8.30- 1pm, Wednesday 8.30-12.30pm, Thursdays 8.30-9.30- 11.30-12.30. **Notices deadline is now Monday 6pm.**

Emily's Licensing on Wednesday 12 November at 7.30pm. For those of you that have signed up to join us on the coach to St John's Bodicote please note it will leave promptly from The Coach House at **6pm** for the service at 7.30pm. I am sure it will be a wonderful evening of celebration and there are refreshments afterwards. Any Problems please contact me - Margaret Taylor 01865 765051

Posada 2025. What is Posada all about? During the evenings leading up to Christmas Day, a nativity set of Mary and Joseph travel around the parish, visiting a different member of our church family every night. This provides a great opportunity to meet new church members, or get to know others a little better as you transport Mary and Joseph to the next home on the rota. There is a prayer to say as you welcome them into your home and as you set them off on their journey to the next one.

If you would like to offer Mary and Joseph a home for the night this Advent, please contact **Helen Dancer at helen@nsolve.com or phone: 07854173016** (text/WhatsApp probably best), giving me suitable dates and I add you to the rota. I have also given Helen Day access to the rota, so you can contact her in the office to take part. I will have the rota with me in church, so catch me after the service to sign up. I hope there will be room in your inn this year! Helen Dancer

Community Café every Tuesday 9.30 – 11.30am in the meeting room in church. An intergenerational space for parents/carers to spend time with their younger ones, meet up with people of all ages over a cup of tea/coffee etc Toys available for preschool age children and toddlers.

Sunday 7th December Craft Event in the Meeting room at 11.15am after the morning service Several very kind people have offered to show us their work eg Wooden pens and crocheted gifts will be available as will earrings, candles, berets and gifts previously available at our Christmas sale, and sell some of it to help support HTHQ. There will be tables at the back of the church and in the meeting room after church on that day, so please support them during coffee. Cash or card accepted.

This week's Eco Tip This week's Eco Tip: : Little energy-saving habits add up: cooking with the saucepan lid on reduces the energy consumed by half. A microwave uses much less energy than an oven; today's ovens heat up fast; ignore what recipes say about turning on the oven long before it's needed. Correspondingly, turn the oven off just before the

cooking end-time, leaving the cooking to finish in the oven. On removing the cooking, leave the oven door open- free heating for the kitchen!

Hilary Rollin, Eco Church Group

Pastoral care team Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit. Please contact any of the clergy (numbers on back page) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.

Regular Giving at HTHQ

If you don't currently contribute regularly to Holy Trinity, please consider doing so.

If you already contribute regularly to Holy Trinity, please consider increasing your monthly or annual contribution.

If you currently give regularly via a Standing Order or another way, please consider cancelling that and switching to the Parish Giving Scheme.

If you already support Holy Trinity through the Parish Giving Scheme, thank you.

To start giving through the Scheme:

(i) access the Scheme's website through the QR code below and click on "Regular Giving," or visit

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/headington-quarry-holy-trinity-oxford/>

(ii) call the Scheme on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm, and they will take all of the information needed to complete a new Direct Debit instruction for you.



Thank you for supporting Holy Trinity's 2025 Regular Giving Appeal!



Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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

As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day. We hope that you will find God's peace as you come to pray or just sit and rest awhile. If you have questions about the Christian faith or would like to find out more about church life, please get in touch:

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