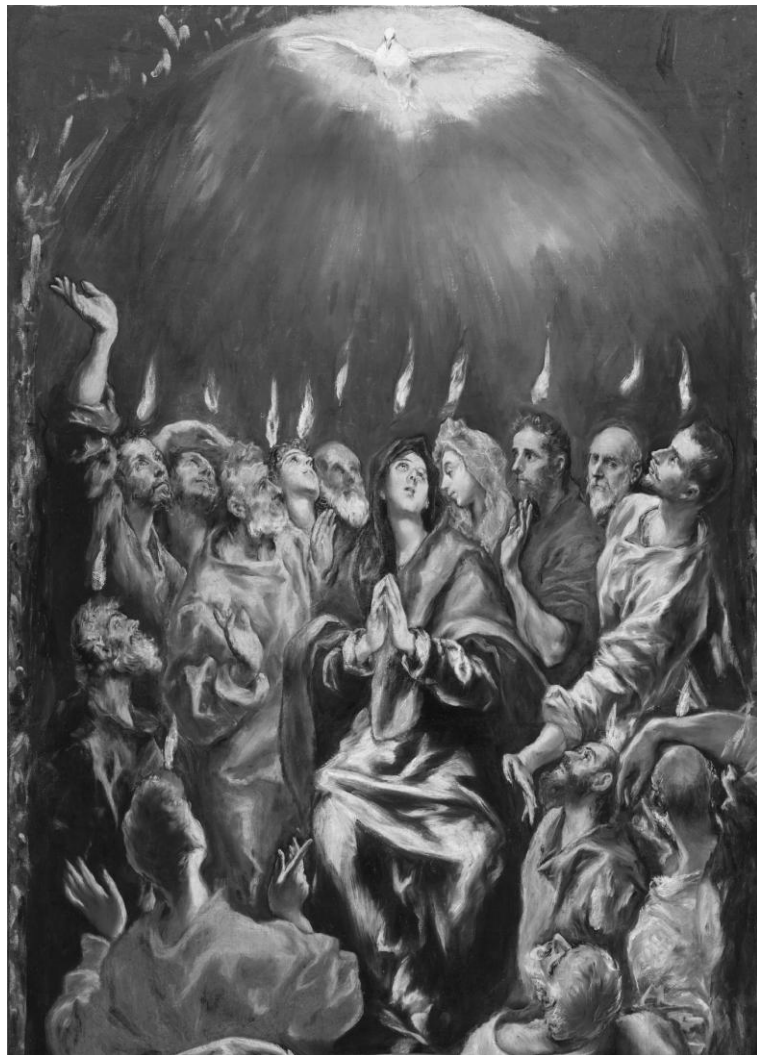




Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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Pentecost All-age Service
24th May 2026

Welcome to Holy Trinity! If you are new to the church or visiting, please make yourself known to one of the welcomers, and let us know any additional needs you may have. An accessible toilet and baby change facilities are located in the meeting room on the north side of the church (across from the door you came in.)

Children are a beloved and integral part of Holy Trinity, and most Sundays we run a Forest Sunday School in our small woodland area of the churchyard. The welcomers will point you in the direction of the Sunday School leaders. Children and babies are very welcome to stay in the service, or to use the meeting room if a break-out space would be helpful. We are not bothered by noise or children being children: we're just glad you're here.

Please sit, or stand as you feel comfortable during the service, and join in with the words in bold type. Tea, coffee and refreshments are served after the service: please stay for a friendly chat if you would like to.

Holy Trinity is funded almost entirely by donations. If you are able to contribute today as part of your worship, you can do so using the card reader or plate by the door on your way in or out. Regular supporters of Holy Trinity are encouraged to do so via the Parish Giving Scheme: a secure, tax-efficient way of contributing to our ministry here.

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

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(ii) call the Scheme on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm.



Welcome and Introduction

The president says

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

Words of welcome and any notices are given.

Hymn 630

Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of being, life and love;
Height and depth beyond description,
only life in you can prove:
You are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
Yours is every hour's existence,
sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the man for others
we, your people, make our prayer
help us love, as sisters, brothers
all whose burdens we can share
where your name binds us together
you, Lord Christ, will surely be
where no selfishness can sever
there you love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, bringing
wind and flame of Pentecost
fire our hearts afresh with yearning
to regain what we have lost
may your love unite our action
nevermore to speak alone
God, in us, abolish faction
God, through us, your love make known.

Stewart Cross (1928-1989)

The Greeting

The president says

Alleluia. Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Receiving God's Forgiveness

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

**Father,
we have sinned against heaven and against you.
We are not worthy to be called your children.
We turn to you again.
Have mercy on us,
bring us back to yourself
as those who once were dead
but now have life through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The president says

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in 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 Prayer for the Day

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit

Reading: Acts 2.1-12

We hear the passage read in a number of different languages.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and

was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

Acts 2.13-21

But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Please stand

We repeat the refrain:

CELTIC ALLELUIA



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

Gospel reading: John 7:37-39

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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

Sermon

The Revd Martin Little

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.**

Prayers

Please sit or kneel.

Those in need of our prayers:

*We pray for those who are sick or in need of our prayers:
Margaret Jackson, Julie*

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

*Pauline White, Dorothy Crowther, Jean Snowdon, George Baker,
Dolly Pearce*

And at the end

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

The Peace

Please stand

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace.
If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.
The peace of the risen Christ be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Hymn 263

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
break me, melt me, mould me, fill me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

Daniel Iverson (1890-1977)

Children are welcome to gather around the altar.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

Father, by your Holy Spirit
you keep the Church in togetherness and truth.
As we break bread together,
may we be one with Christ in faith and hope and love,
now and for ever.

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 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.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

Bells are rung

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.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

Bells are rung

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!**

*A&M 661, melody unknown
arr. Anne Harrison (b.1954)*

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

slowly

Be - hold the Lamb of God, be - hold the Lamb of God. — He
Be - hold the Lamb, the Lamb of God. He
takes a - way the sin, the sin of the world. —
takes a - way the sin of the world.

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The tempo is marked 'slowly'. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the next two lines.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This is God's table and all are welcome. Please follow the directions of the stewards, and pause level with the front pew to allow others to pass before approaching to receive the sacrament.

Please do not dip your wafer into the chalice. Please note that there is no obligation to take the chalice and it is fine still to receive communion in one kind only (the bread). If you do not wish to receive communion and would prefer a blessing instead, please do come forwards as well.

Hymn 241

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost they sevenfold gifts impart:

Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight:

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but One:
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song,

Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

John Cosin (1594-1672)

Based on Veni, Creator Spiritus, (Latin, 8th or 9th century)

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Sending Out

Please stand

Hymn 264

The Spirit lives to set us free,
walk, walk in the light;
he binds us all in unity,
walk, walk in the light.

Walk in the light,
walk in the light,
walk in the light,
walk in the light of the Lord.

Jesus promised life to all,
walk, walk in the light;
the dead were wakened by his call,
walk, walk in the light. *Refrain*

He died in pain on Calvary,
walk, walk in the light;
to save the lost like you and me,
walk, walk in the light. *Refrain*

We know his death was not the end,
walk, walk in the light;
he gave his Spirit to be our friend,
walk, walk in the light. *Refrain*

By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,
walk, walk in the light;
the Father's kindness is revealed,
walk, walk in the light. *Refrain*

The Spirit lives in you and me,
walk, walk in the light;
his light will shine for all to see,
walk, walk in the light. *Refrain*

Damian Lundy (1944-1996)

The Blessing

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God;
and the blessing of God Almighty
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always
Amen.

A minister says

The Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Voluntary Fanfare - *Nicolas Lemmens*

***Please note that the church notices deadline is Monday 6pm.
The Parish office will be open on Monday and Tuesdays 8.30am –
12 noon.***

Please join us for refreshments, served at the back of church. If you can, please donate to the coffee fund in the jar provided. 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.

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Notices The Feast of Pentecost

8am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Martin Little

10am Eucharist

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Preacher: The Revd Martin Little

Organist: Andrew Patterson

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.

Wednesday

10am Midweek Communion

Sunday May 31st: Trinity Sunday (Patronal Festival)

8am Holy Communion

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Pentecost All Age service This year we will once again have a number of different languages spoken when the first reading has been taken.

Churchyard working Party is next on **Saturday May 30th** 10-12 noon. All are welcome to come and help tidy up the Churchyard – no gardening experience required but if possible bring some gloves with you.

Bring and share finger food lunch next Sunday for Trinity Sunday, May 31st after the morning service. *Please sign up at the back of church* if you can bring finger food. There will be a number of tables set up at the back of church for those who prefer to sit and talk while eating.

Advance notice Choral Evensong will be on **Sunday June 7th** at 6pm
All are welcome.

Corpus Christi at St Andrew's, Headington On Thursday **4th June** at **7.30pm** we are invited to join in celebrating the feast of Corpus Christi with a festal mass followed by procession and adoration of the blessed sacrament. Our choirs will be invited to join together. Following this joyful occasion, we will adjourn to the White Hart (across the road from the church) for a drink.

Wood Farm Fete, Sat 18 July 2-5pm We are looking for volunteers to assist at this brilliant community event in our parish: any amount of help much appreciated. Having a strong church presence will show our love and support for this community. Please contact becky.howard@risinghurstsandhills-pc.gov.uk / 07856304619.

Community Cafe 9.30 – 11.30am Please do come along with friends or neighbours. Toys available for preschool age children and toddlers.

A Thankyou from our past wardens Margaret and Linda would like to thank everyone for the lovely gifts we received at the APCM . The flowers were lovely, and the vouchers we will use to remind us of our time as church Wardens. We felt very humbled by all the kind words we received, and we felt very honoured to have been given the trust to serve Holy Trinity as wardens. We wish Philippa and Peter every good wish as they take up this post, and we know they will make many new friends just as we did.

A Thankyou from Revd Prof Rob Gilbert There is a card at the back of church expressing Rob's thanks for his send off, generous gifts and attendance at his Installation. He thanks us too for all the special times together that we shared and celebrated with him.

APCM Our thanks to all those stepping down after years of service, in particular our two Churchwardens Margaret Taylor and Linda Davies and for those who have just joined the PCC and our two new Churchwardens.

New filter Coffee and Tea if you are able to it would help the church funds if you could donate to the refreshment fund each week by either putting money in the jar or by using the card machine. Thank you.

Kitty Datta's funeral will be held here in Church on **Monday June 1st at 3pm**. All are welcome to come to the service to remember a much loved member of our 10am services who has been housebound for a number of years.

Risinghurst and Sandhills Community Fete Sunday 7th June 1.30-6pm It would be so good to have a presence at this Community fete since it is in our parish. I am looking for someone, or a group to organise a stall predominately for children, with a few games, colouring crafts anything that interest a child. It will promote our church and maybe encourage people to come along and see what we are about. I have tried many times to get a stall there, so maybe this is the year. Martin will hopefully be entertaining us at some time that afternoon. There are lots of other stalls, a magic show for children, other entertainment and the much looked forward to races for kids and Tug of War for adults. It is a real community event and I would encourage us to get involved as part of the parish. Margaret Taylor (Church Warden) 01865 765051.

22nd Annual Oxford Peace & Friendship Walk of Faiths Thursday 11th June 6-8pm. Please see the poster on the board at the back of church for more information.

The Venerable Dr Alex Hughes, a former Curate here at Holy Trinity from 2000- 2003, and who is still remembered by those who were worshipping here then is currently Archdeacon of Cambridge in the Diocese of Ely, but will be consecrated in July as the Suffragan Bishop of Brixworth before taking up his role in the Diocese of Peterborough in the autumn. Our warmest congratulations to Alex and our prayers go with him, Sarah his wife and sons.

This week's Eco Tip: Excited at the idea of getting the mower out soon? After *No Mow May* a good time to cut the grass is early June, though July would be better, providing greater benefits for pollinators. A high-level first cut (3 inches) avoids harming small mammals and insects that lived in the longer grass. 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 from a member of the team. Please contact the clergy or the Parish Office in the first instance.



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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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