

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

**“Nothing can
separate us”**



A service of prayer and thanksgiving
for those who have died.

All Souls Day
November 1st 2020
6pm

Welcome and introduction

We look not to the things that are seen, but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things unseen are eternal.

Today we come together to remember before God those whom we love and see no more, and to give thanks for their lives.

Choir Hymn Lord of all hopefulness

Reading Meditation XVII, John Donne

All mankind is of one Author, and is one volume; when one man dies, one Chapter is not torn out of the book, but translated into a better language; and every Chapter must be so translated; God employs several translators; some pieces are translated by age, some by sickness, some by war, some by justice; but God's hand is in every translation; and his hand shall bind up all our scattered leaves again, for that Library where every book shall lie open to one another.

Reflection Music Sanctus, Gabriel Fauré

Reading Romans 8: 35, 37-39

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Address Revd Dr Laura Biron-Scott

Anthem Thou wilt keep him in Perfect Peace, Wesley

Commemoration of the Departed

Hear us risen Lord,
Our resurrection and our life.
As we remember by name ...

We remember our departed loved ones by name

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace,
and rise in glory. Amen.

Lighting of Candles

Please stand and remain in your place.

Music for reflection

Pie Jesu, Gabriel Fauré

“Holy Jesus, Lord, grant them rest; grant them eternal rest”

Prayers

Almighty God, we bring you our thanks and praise today for those who shared our lives in times past. We thank you for times of happiness we had together, for the sorrows and difficulties we faced together, for all the experiences of both sunshine and shadow that we shared.

Almighty God we thank you.

We thank you that our loved ones are in your keeping. Help us to leave them there in perfect trust. We thank you for those who have been a comfort and strength to us, those whose love, care, comfort and understanding have helped us bear our sorrows and overcome our fears.

Almighty God we thank you.

We thank you that this life is not the end and that nothing can separate us from your love. Grant to

us, Lord, to trust you not for ourselves alone but also for those whom we love. By your grace, we pray, encourage our hearts and help us to remember that your peace is our comfort and your love is our strength.

Hear our prayer, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from evil,

For thine is the Kingdom,

The power and the glory

For ever and ever, Amen.

Choir Hymn Abide with me

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honour everyone;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God Almighty
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Music In Paradisum, Gabriel Fauré

May the angels lead thee into paradise ...



Bereavement Support

After the funeral, the church is still here to support you, and our clergy and pastoral care team are available to help.

We are not counsellors, but we offer a space to listen and can signpost you to additional help if you need it. We all cope with grief in different ways. If you would benefit from a chat with someone from the church, please contact us.

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



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Sunday Services

9.30am and 10.45am (with pre-booking)

Midweek Services

Wednesday 10am – Holy Communion

Online Services

www.hthq.uk/services

Our church is open every day as a place of peace and sanctuary. Wherever you are on your walk with God, please know that you are welcome in this place. If we can support you or pray with you about anything, please do get in touch.