



HOLY TRINITY COVENTRY
..... a house of prayer for all.....

News Sheet August 2017

SUNDAY SERVICES IN AUGUST

- 8.00am** **Communion Services (BCP)**
At the Cathedral every Sunday in August
- 4.30pm** *No Evensong or Evening Prayer at HTC . Evensong at the Cathedral at 4pm*
- 6th August** **The 8th Sunday After Trinity**
Summer Service— with Communion
Preacher: Emma Griffiths
- 13th August** **The 9th Sunday After Trinity**
Summer Service— no Communion
Preacher: Jo Ognjanovic
- 20th August** **The 10th Sunday After Trinity**
Summer Service— with Communion
Preacher: Alan Hawker
- 27th August** **The 11th Sunday After Trinity**
Holy Communion— Joint Service
with Cathedral in Priory Ruins
Preacher: David Stone

On 13th August there will be no 10.30am communion. A communion service will, however, take place at the Cathedral at this time.

Welcome

We are glad you are here!
If you are new to Holy Trinity, please introduce yourself; we'd love to get to know you.



Vicar: Revd. Graeme Anderson

A message from Reverend Graeme

Well, what are we thinking about right now? My guess is that most of us are thinking about, at least in part, the summer holidays. I certainly am looking forward very much to spending a week with our best friends in a holiday cottage in Yorkshire, and yes, the dog is coming too.

Meanwhile, church life changes enormously. Many of the volunteers are on holiday. Also, people like myself take more weddings. But there cannot help but be a feeling of a slowdown in church life. It certainly is not the time, at least usually, to take the church through a significant step forward.

But let me say something very, very, very clear to all of us. God Almighty does not go on holiday. He is not hard to reach. He does not go through a period of slowing down.

Why am I saying this? Well, for those of us that turn up at church during this period; when the attendance figures are normally much lower; we need to realise that God Almighty really wants to meet with us and be no less close to us than at any other time. No less relevant to us than at any other time. No less able and willing to initiate and continue His wonderful transformative work in us than at any other time.

So, as you and I come to church, and are very aware of all the people that are on holiday, and equally aware of the volunteers who are away; let us be aware that God is here. Let us not limit God in even the slightest way. Let's let Him meet with us, transform us, empower us, forgive us, and anything else He chooses to do in us and through us.

I would love it, at the end of the holiday period, some people will look back and say "God really met with me over the last few weeks", "My life has really changed over the last few weeks". Wouldn't it be lovely, and even fantastic!

Always with love and respect,
Rev'd Graeme.

Sad news—Sue Lageu

It is with the deepest sadness that John Lageu has told us of the death of Sue on Wednesday, July 26th. There will be a Thanksgiving Service for Sue on August 11th. at 2 p.m. In Salford.

For John's address and details of how to get to the Service please contact Bill and Vicki Johnson on 76711849 or bjjohnson78@aol.com.

Please pray for John and his daughter, Kate.

Sponsored Walk—"A Coventry Way"

At Holy Trinity we are planning to construct a new toilet block. This will help us to be hospitable to our guests, as well as benefit the Holy Trinity Church family. To raise funds and awareness of the project, I've decided to walk around the circumference of Coventry city—a walk called "A Coventry Way". This will be done over the first three Saturdays in September and will cover 40 miles. Our dog Willow will join me. It will be a great opportunity also to pray for HTC and Coventry and explore the area.

Ways you can help:

- Sponsor me via Justgiving website or forms (info and forms to follow)
- Join me along the walk or parts of the walk; both Willow and me would love the company
- Give lifts to the start of the walks and pick up at the end

For more information, or if you can offer to be a walking buddy or a lift giver, please speak with me, or contact me on: 07840 926736

Judy Anderson

Service in Priory Ruins

There will be a joint outdoor service with the Cathedral at 10.30am on Sunday 27th August. This is taking place in the Priory Ruins and activities for children will take place in the Prayer House.

Afterwards there will be a picnic in the Priory Ruins. It's a great opportunity to come together with our friends from the Cathedral and for anyone who would like to join us in worship and fellowship.

Heritage Open Days—September 2017

Holy Trinity will be taking part in this event which will be from 7^h-10th September and we hope to repeat the same numbers of visitors coming through the door. Hopefully we will have more!! Although we have our wonderful Welcome team, we would love to have a few more people who can be around to meet and greet visitors, particularly on the busiest days—Friday 8th and Saturday 9th. Please contact either Janice Clarke or Angela Lamb if you are able to help.



Spark in the Park—7th -9th August

SPARK is an outreach event for children and families from across Coventry, run by Coventry churches. Lots of fun to be had by all. Many activities are available (some weather permitting) including inflatables, craft, sport, tattoos and time to find out what it says in the Bible about the Superheroes that can be found there.



PCC Update

Latest information on PCC activity is now available on the HTC website under Parochial Church Council, Meetings, or are displayed on the PCC noticeboard at the back of church

Keri Husband, PCC Secretary

Retreat in Daily Life

Most people aren't able to spend time away from work in a secluded and peaceful retreat centre (great as that might be). Yet we may long to deepen a relationship with Jesus. So we set aside time to retreat, not *away* from our normal life but *in* it – taking time to pay attention, to pray and to reflect.

The next 6-week retreat will run from late September. Many of you have already participated and are welcome to join again, with a different guide; a different journey.

More details and updates are available on this website:

www.passionatespirituality.org.uk or email Lois at loisbaldwinz@gmail.com

August Wedding

Please pray for Zoe and James who are getting married on Sunday 27th August.

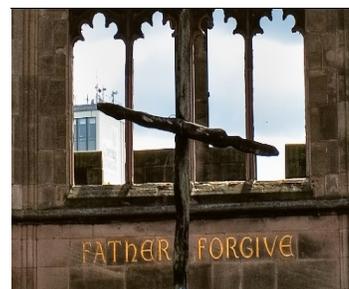
Hiroshima Day 2017 at Coventry Cathedral

On Sunday 6th August at 6pm, there will be a service of reflection at Coventry Cathedral to remember the dropping of the nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945.

The service will be led by the Very Reverend John Witcombe, Dean of Coventry, with Ruth Longoni from the Lord Mayor's Peace Committee as the speaker.

A memorial has been held in Coventry for Hiroshima Day every year since 1987 and the two cities have developed a friendship over the years with messages exchanged between the Lord Mayor of Coventry and the Mayor of Hiroshima.

Further information can be found on www.dioceseofcoventry.org



MIDWEEK SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Tuesdays at 1pm
Wednesdays at 10.30am
Thursdays at 1pm
Prayer Night— Monday 7th August at 8pm

Healing Service
Holy Communion
Lunch Break Service

FLOWERS were donated on 6th August by Tony and Julie Richards and Catherine and Wilfrid Kendall, and on 13th August by Brian Rawlings (*in memory of Jean*).

PRAYER REQUESTS

August prayer diaries will be available in church and on the website

Mission groups to pray for in August :

Berega Hospital and Spark in the Park

Prayer Requests: Flo Carpenter, Harold Parker, Harold Pails, Winnie Dales, Sheila Bench, Brian Shepherd, Jack & Evelyn Gannon, Andrew Hammond, James Johnson, Vicki Johnson, Brian Rawlings and anyone else known to us who would appreciate prayer.

HTC news sheets are available on the church website or via email :-
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