



# THE PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY

## Bradford on Avon

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## 23 FEBRUARY 2025

## THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Welcome to our Service today  
And welcome if you are reading this at home

### HYMNS & MUSIC FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

### 9.30am – Sung Eucharist

**537** – O God, our help in ages past

**174** – Breathe on me, breath of God

**278** – Alleluia, sing to Jesus!

**607** – Thy kingdom come, O God

#### Choir and Organ Music:

##### Before the service:

Allegro (Symphony in D major, Op 2 No 5) – *William Boyce*

Largo (Xerxes) – *GF Handel*

Pavane – *Gabriel Fauré*

Nimrod (Enigma Variations, Op 36) – *Edward Elgar*

##### At the Communion:

**Choir:** Ukrainian Prayer – *Mykola Lysenko*

**Organ:** Folk Tune and Andante Tranquilo (Five Short Pieces) – *Percy Whitlock*

**Voluntary:** Elegy – *Hubert Parry*

## THE COLLECT

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

### Genesis 2.4b-9;15-21

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.' Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

## GOSPEL READING

### Luke 8.22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**GLUTEN FREE WAFERS** – these are available for those who need them. Please let the welcomers know when you arrive and inform the priest when you come to receive Communion

## HOLY TRINITY NOTICES

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**HT FINANCE, PAYMENT REQUESTS ETC –** please contact Klaus on [treasurer@htboa.org](mailto:treasurer@htboa.org)

**NOTICES FOR WEEKLY BULLETINS** – please send any messages *by the end of a Wednesday* to Netty on: [beneficeoffice@htboa.org](mailto:beneficeoffice@htboa.org)

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ** – Wednesdays from 10am-12noon - weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

**PCC APPEAL** - more helpers are sought to set up the church ready for the Eucharist. Currently, set-up duty is once every 5 weeks or so. If you are willing to help, please contact Mavis Linstrum.

**SUE RYDER GRIEF KIND SPACE AT THE HUB** runs weekly on Thursdays from **2-4pm**. It is a drop-in group so no need to register: just turn up on the day at any time during the 2-hour slot. You can find support and meet other people who are going through a similar experience.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025** – Friday, 7 March @ 10am, Christ Church. A service for everyone prepared by women from the Cook Islands – followed by refreshments.

**MORNING PRAYER** - now said every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8.30am at Holy Trinity. All are warmly invited to join this short weekday service.

In aid of Prostate Cancer UK  
Stephanie & Clive Tomlinson invite you to  
**Shrove Tuesday pancakes**  
on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March**



**Open house from 6pm / Last orders 9pm**  
Voluntary donations to Prostate Cancer UK  
6 Meadowfield BA15 1PL  
RSVP to [squiredance@outlook.com](mailto:squiredance@outlook.com)

**LAST CHANCE today** - to complete an electoral form to be on the new electoral roll. You need to do this even if you were on the previous roll, please. If you haven't yet registered and wish to, please complete one of the forms on the welcome desk and place it in the box provided. If you wish to deliver it when the church is closed, please post it in the church letterbox which is attached to the small gate on the north side of the church. Please share this information with anyone who might wish to register but is likely to be unaware of the current revision. You are entitled to register if you live in the parish (NB this does not mean the whole of Bradford on Avon) OR if you live outside the parish and have habitually attended Holy Trinity (or another church in communion with the Church of England) during the preceding 6 months. You can register for more than one electoral roll, but you can vote or serve on the PCC of only one of the churches. If you are unsure about your eligibility, please speak to, or email the electoral roll officer, Julia Steward: [pccsecretary@htboa.org](mailto:pccsecretary@htboa.org). The new roll will be available for inspection (names only) from 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

**WEEKLY PRAYERS** at noon every Thursday in the Saxon Church for Israel and Palestine using prayer from Sabeel based in Jerusalem, 11.50 - 12.10. Everyone warmly welcome.

**A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS** – Wednesday, 26 February, 6pm-6.45pm – a warm welcome and hot drink: readings, music and reflection in the Saxon Church. Future date: Wednesday 26 March.

**LENT COURSE AT HOLY TRINITY** - It is terrific to see people joining in with the Lent Course. Thank you for being in touch. Our Lent Course at Holy Trinity is focused this year on the *Pilgrim Course, The Lord's Prayer*.

There will be six sessions on each of the Wednesdays of Lent, as listed below, between 10am -11.30am, including a break for coffee and refreshments in Holy Trinity. We will stay on the ground floor level of the church for every session. The Pilgrim Course booklet will be available for purchase at a cost of £5 at the first session, or by reserving a place through Netty. The booklet presents an opportunity for further reflective reading and prayer in between each Wednesday session. I do hope you will join us as we enjoy exploring the truth and meaning of the Lord's Prayer together.

Session 1 : March 12<sup>th</sup> *'Our Father in Heaven, Hallowed Be Your Name.'*  
Session 2 - March 19<sup>th</sup> *'Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done, on Earth as in Heaven.'*  
Session 3 - March 26<sup>th</sup> *'Give us this Day our Daily Bread.'*  
Session 4 - April 2<sup>nd</sup> *'Forgive us our Sins as we Forgive Those Who Sin Against Us.'*  
Session 5 - April 9<sup>th</sup> *'Lead Us Not into Temptation But Deliver us From Evil.'*  
Session 6 : April 16<sup>th</sup> *'For the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory are yours now and Forever. Amen.'*

Please do get in touch with me if you have any queries about the course. All are welcome.  
Yours, Jenny

**MESSAGE FROM JENNY** - We welcome Bradford on Avon's Ukrainian community to Holy Trinity this morning. Today's commemoration begins with a wreath-laying ceremony at 9.00 am in Westbury Gardens, followed by the Service of Holy Communion in Holy Trinity at 9.30 am. All are welcome. Refreshments follow the service. We remember this prayer written in February 2022. We remember and reflect, coming together as a community.

### **A Prayer for Ukraine**

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

### **Prayer for the Peace of the World**

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## THIS WEEK @ HT

**MORNING PRAYER** – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday @ 8.30am – everyone welcome



**MAINLY MUSIC** – Tuesday @ 10.30am – fun & friendship for pre-school families (contact Marlene on 864412 if you'd like to come)

**SAXON CLUB** – Tuesday @ 2.30pm – fun & friendship for 'seniors'. Theme: Further travels of a human rights lawyer Lindsay Driscoll

**COMMUNITY CAFE** – Wednesday, 10am – 12noon. All welcome.

## FUTURE EVENTS @ HT

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES** – Wednesday, 5 March. 10am Said Eucharist & Ashing & 6pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist.

**TRIO PARADIS CAFÉ CONCERT** – Thursday, 6 March @ 10.45am. Our March concert is a collection of music by women composers to mark International Women's Day (8th March). The programme includes the Phantasy Trio by Irish composer Joan Trimble, and works by Rosalind Ellicott, Elfrida Andrée, Adela Maddison, Dora Pejacevic, Fanny Mendelssohn and Clara Schumann. Concerts last c45mins. There's no need to book, just turn up early for best seats as these concerts are popular!

**ROLLING HARMONY SINGING WORKSHOP & CONCERT** – Saturday, 22 March. Workshop 4-5.30pm, concert @ 7.30pm. Tickets: £16 concert / £28 workshop & concert from [songways.co.uk/rolling-harmony](http://songways.co.uk/rolling-harmony)

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)** – Sunday, 23 March, immediately following the morning service.

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially:** Barbara Adamson, Tony Bruun, Matthew Cox, Valerie Dyer, Jennifer Fuller, Tony Green, Anne Harris, Alice Moody, Geneviève Roberts, Marilyn Rowley, Edward Shaw, Malcolm Walsh & Ayleen Waring-Nicholson

**Pray for all those who mourn and for those who have recently died, especially:** Ken Roberts  
**Please let Jenny or Sarah know of any pastoral need – or simply cause for prayer.**

**Pray for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, remembering especially:** Mike Raines

## FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

- People of Ukraine
- Respect among World Leaders
- Those working to repair our church organ
- The lonely, depressed and addicted
- Parents of disabled children
- Ourselves and for which we are grateful



We continue to work together in our shared commitment to Safeguarding: **'The Benefice of Bradford on Avon Holy Trinity, Westwood and Wingfield takes its responsibilities surrounding the safeguarding of**

**children, young people, and adults who may be at risk, very seriously. We work in partnership with the Diocese of Salisbury to ensure that we work in accordance with best practices at all times.'**

**SAFEGUARDING** - If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Safeguarding Adviser for the Benefice: **Andrea Unwin** 07553161654  
Email: [aandreab.unwinn@outlook.com](mailto:aandreab.unwinn@outlook.com)  
If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from: [safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org) to speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651 and press option 3

## **NEXT WEEK – 2 MARCH THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**

**9.30am** – Sung Eucharist  
**6pm** - Evensong

**Readings:**  
Exodus 34. 29-end  
Luke 9. 28-36