



Holy Trinity Church, Horfield, Bristol
Creating connections through the inclusive Catholic
tradition in worship, welcome and service



16th August 2026

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MESSY CHURCH TODAY

Collect: Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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.
Amen.

First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore, encourage one another with these words.

Gospel: Luke 1:46-55

Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely,

from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

HYMNS & MUSIC FOR THE MASS

Mass Setting: *The New People's Mass – Dom Gregory Murray*

315 Sing we of the blessed Mother **[Entrance]**

Holy Virgin, by God's decree, [To greet the Gospel]

You were called eternally;

That he could give his Son to our race.

Mary, we praise you, hail, full of grace.

Ave, ave, ave, Maria.

By your faith and loving accord,

As the handmaid of the Lord,

You undertook God's plan to embrace.

Mary we thank you, hail, full of grace.

Joy to God you gave and expressed,

Of all women none more blessed,

When in mankind your Son took his place.

Mary, we love you, hail, full of grace.

Refuge for your children so weak,

Sure protection all can seek.

Problems of life you help us to face.

Mary, we trust you, hail, full of grace.

To our needy world of today
Love and beauty you portray,
Showing the path to Christ we must trace.
Mary, our mother, hail, full of grace.

318 Ye who own the faith of Jesus [**Offertory**]

STATIONS OF INTERCESSION (led by our children)

Specific Intercessory Prayers are prayed and placed around the church:

The hymn ***For Mary, Mother of Our Lord*** (313) is sung before each Station.

**For Mary, Mother of the Lord
God's holy name be praised,
Who first the Son of God adored
As on her child she gazed.**

1. THE WORK OF THIS CHURCH

The angel Gabriel brought the word
She should Christ's mother be;
Our Lady, handmaid of the Lord,
Made answer willingly.

2. OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY

The heavenly call she thus obeyed,
And so God's will was done;
The second Eve love's answer made
Which our redemption won.

3. OUR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

She gave her body for God's shrine,
Her heart to piercing pain,
And knew the cost of love divine
When Jesus Christ was slain.

4. THOSE AFFECTED BY WAR & SUFFERING

Dear Mary, from your lowliness
And home in Galilee,
There comes a joy and holiness
To every family.

5. THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL IN OUR PARISH & THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Hail, Mary, you are full of grace,
Above all women blest;
Blest in your Son, whom your embrace
In birth and death confessed.

6. ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Hymn to Mary (page 14 of the Mass books) is sung as the children place a Crown of Flowers upon Mary.

Organist: Martin Firth

Organ Postlude: Fugue on the Magnificat – J S Bach

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are unwell: Marcia, Annie, John Crocker, Sophia Vryoni-Dickson, Ray Harris, Bryan and Joan Bufton, Geraldine, Frank, Michael, Matthew, Robin, Michael Lewis, Henry Wills, Kaydee Short, Mollie Lievesley, Ann Plaister, David Wells, Vanessa Blundell, Wanda Prosser, Hannah Spink, Nigel de Bray, Scott Blankley, Movita Greening, Dixie and family, Geraldine and Joseph Fucci, Bruce Turnbull, Fr John Ware, Gillian Crow, Steve, Gertrude.

Please pray for those recently departed: Phillada Ware, Nigel Moore and **in Our Year's Mind** we pray for Tom Barge (16th), Margaret Edwards (21st)

UPDATED: The funeral of Phillada Ware will take place on Friday 4th September at 2pm here in church. This will be followed by cremation at Canford at 3pm. All are welcome, and for refreshments in the Hall afterwards.

If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, please contact either Fr David, Caroline Plaice or Carolyn Larcey.

The Welcome Project Prayer

Lord, our God, source of all life, you reveal your compassion and mercy in the life we share. Bless us as we respond to your Spirit's invitation to open wide our doors to Christ. May the doors of our hearts remain ever open in holy and unconditional welcome. Bless *The Welcome Project* – that our welcome may be wide enough to receive all who need love and fellowship, as we reach out to welcome the stranger and friend alike and so welcome your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Peace

Holy and gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia; of Israel and Palestine. We pray for all those who are afraid; for those who are suffering and traumatised; and for those who are grieving, that your everlasting arms may hold them in this time of great suffering. We pray for those who choose war; that they will turn their swords into ploughshares and seek for peace. We pray for the leaders of nations; that they may follow the wisdom and compassion of Christ. We ask this in the name of your blessed Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Our Lady of Kyiv, pray for your children!

PRAYER AND PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

If you need prayer support either for yourself or for someone you know do let Fr David know in confidence. Fr David is also in church most Saturday mornings to offer counselling, prayer, hear confessions or just for a chat. If you, or a member of your family, is in hospital, or housebound through illness, please let Fr David or Caroline (warden) know, and a pastoral or holy communion visit can be arranged.

Prayer and Meditation for August

The Holy Trinity, Horfield, Parish Prayer

Lord, help us to love one another as you love us:

Send your blessing upon this parish and community of Horfield,

That your wisdom and your love may flow into our hearts,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,

And that your will be done, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***"Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and
how they had recognised him in the breaking of bread."***

From Mtr Diane:

Dear Holy Trinity Horfield

It has been a joy and privilege to support the faith nurture of children and young people this year. The commitment of the team who run Horfield Young People's Club Friday by Friday is remarkable. Each week here young people are offered a mobile phone free space to make friends and explore Christian faith. This is rare and precious. Volunteers support games, share stories from the Bible and pray with many children on Fridays, in school and in Messy Church all year. Please pray for HYPC on Friday evenings a some point between 6 and 8pm.

After Messy Church please ask to take a look at the Worship Box which is a gift from me for HTH's ongoing ministry among children and young people. It contains a Bible, a cross and a candle. There is a cloth world map and LED tealights to place on countries children want to pray for. And finally there are 3 packs of cards to stimulate conversations about Faith (F) Life (L) and Relationships (R), published by Youthscape. Here are 3 examples: *What do your friends do that make you feel included? (R)*, *Who or what makes you laugh? (L)*, *What laws would Jesus pass if he was Prime Minister? (F)*. Thank you to all who made knitted figures to use with children in church and at school. Interesting resources stimulate faith in lively and creative ways so I pray they will be a blessing to all who use them.

I was touched by the incredible array of gifts I received on leaving. I will treasure the beautiful handmade card with its prayer and personal messages and the painting of the church. Common Worship Festivals is an excellent book containing music for the Eucharistic prayers along with the special liturgy for each festival. Father David kindly gave me a red cope and stole, formerly worn by an Irish priest, and an antique eucharistic medal - an item customarily given at a first communion. From part of your generous collection I have purchased a silver pendant necklace made by an Irish jeweller. It is a silver Celtic Cross decorated with triquetras (Trinity knots). Whenever I wear

it I will be giving thanks for you and praying for Holy Trinity. Let us continue in prayer for one another and keep in touch. With love and prayers,

Mother Diane

A Trinitarian Blessing

*Abide in the love of the Father who upholds you,
Abide in the peace of the Son who enfolds you,
Abide in the power of the Spirit who strengthens you.
The blessing of the Holy Trinity be upon you
Today, tomorrow and until we meet again. Amen.*



Thank you to everyone who supported our special service last week and for generously donating to the work of AFIA, Away From It All, providing coach trips to Weston super Mare for families in the Bristol Diocese who might not otherwise be able to have a break. We raised £100.

Carolyn

Churchyard volunteers - can you help?

We receive so much positive feedback about the churchyard being a beautiful, well managed place for people to find calm and refreshment. Unfortunately a number of long-term volunteers will shortly be stepping down from volunteering in the churchyard for health and family reasons so we're looking for more people to help out.

Could this be you, or a family member or neighbour? Perhaps someone you know would be interested- someone who is recently retired, is looking for a project to support their university application, or to help them get back into a regular pattern of work?

- Green Gym meets on Monday afternoons to mow and strim the Churchyard.
- Sapling Saturday meets on the 2nd & 4th Saturday mornings each month and works clear graves, manage the dead hedges clear vegetation growth on graves.

A volunteer doesn't need to commit to every session, but a regular pattern of support is useful. If someone can help but isn't able to manage these times, we may be able to arrange something different.

If you would like to know more, please talk to Donald Wainwright or Nick Stephenson.

Parish Contacts

Rector: Revd. Canon Dr. David McGladdery, SCP

Tel 07859 787787 Email: rector.horfield@gmail.com

Please note that Fr David's day off is on a Monday.

Churchwarden: Caroline Plaice: 07714 255670 Email:

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Horfield Parochial Church Council (General Account)

Sort Code: 301611 **Account Number:** 00887278

Horfield Parochial Church Council (Charity Account)

Sort Code: 306296 **Account Number:** 27658063

Horfield Parochial Church Council (Welcome Project)

Sort Code: 306232 **Account Number:** 64788960

Please make any cheques payable to 'Horfield PCC'.

Parish Office:

Email: hpc.sec@horfieldparishchurch.org.uk Tel: 07880 657829

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Instagram Account: @holyltrinityhorfield

Regular Services:

Sunday 10am Mass. **Tuesday 12 noon Mass.**

Thursday 10am Mass. **Friday 6pm Mass.**

Next Messy Church - 20th September

Additional monthly Services in Chapel of Reconciliation & Peace at 10am

First Saturday - the Holy Rosary will be prayed for peace.

Last Saturday - a Mass for healing with anointing will be offered.

Holy Hour of prayer – Last Sunday of the month at 4pm

Live streams of Sunday Mass (10 am), Tuesday Mass (12 noon), Thursday Mass (10 am) and any other advertised services being streamed, and recordings of previous services are available at

<https://www.youtube.com/@HolyTrinityHorfield>

Bookings for the Hall, Helliwell and Blancharde rooms can be made via:

<https://www.sharesy.com/v/holy-trinity-horfield>



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Getting involved: 16th August 2026

Activities

- **Sapling Saturday**, an informal and friendly working party undertaking maintenance work in the churchyard. 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 9.30 - 11am followed by coffee and cake. Next date 22nd August
- **Green Gym** Every Monday from 2-5pm; mowing, strimming and trimming the churchyard. Training is given in using any equipment.
- **Tombstone Tuesday**, meets whilst light at 6.15pm on the last Thursday of the month to make safe and reset headstones so they are visible. Next session Thursday 27th August.
- **Memorial Recording Project**, uncovering, deciphering and recording all the memorials in the churchyard before they are lost for ever. Regular recording sessions whilst light at 5.30pm on the 2nd Tuesday each month and from 9.30am on the 4th Saturday.

If you or someone you know is interested in any of our churchyard volunteering opportunities, please get in touch. Whilst there are a lot of sessions there is no expectation that you attend all of them - just those that you can make.

- **Craft Club** - "Weekly 'Craft Club' every Monday, 9.00 am to 10.30 am. Bring along your own craft work to do or have a go at the craft of the day (materials supplied).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 12th September - Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust 'Ride and Stride'. HTH are hosting Afternoon Tea between 2-5pm. **Can you help by bringing a cake along?** Please sign the sheet in the Welcome area. Thank you.

Sunday, 27th September - Harvest Lunch – see poster for full details
Nearer the date, if anyone has any apples/blackberries or other fruit suitable for crumbles, please can you let Emma and Kate know. If ready now, you could pop some in the freezer to pass to them? Thank you.

Saturday, 10th October – Parish Conference **NEW**

Saturday, 21st November - Curry and Quiz Night

Saturday, 23rd January 2027 - Burns Night Supper

Saturday 22nd May 2027 Open Day

Makers' Market

Saturday 5th September

11am to 4pm

At Westbury Park Methodist Church
4 North View, Bristol BS6 7QB

Free admission

Local makers will showcase and sell their
work

Drinks and snacks will be served in the
cafe

The event will be fundraising for
the British charity, 'War Child'
which works with children and
families in conflict-affected
countries.



People's Emergency Briefing

A short film presenting the
latest evidence on the
climate and nature crisis
followed by discussion



Scan to book free seats

**The People's Emergency
Briefing | Film Showing
Sunday 20th September**

5.30pm Doors Open | Refreshments

6.00pm Film | 6.50pm Discussion & Responses

7.30pm Depart

Bradbury Hall, Waterford Rd, Henleaze BS9 4BT

Jointly organised by Trinity-Henleaze URC & St Peter's, Henleaze

ORGANIST



**Holy Trinity
Church**

Horfield, Bristol

Closing Date: 15th October

Interviews: 22nd October approx.



This Anglo-Catholic church in North Bristol is seeking a permanent organist for the 10.00am Sunday Mass and other additional services. Excellent two manual pipe organ. RSCM standard rates. Student applications are especially welcome.

To apply, please scan the QR Code.

For informal enquiries, please contact our Rector, Fr David McGladdery.

Phone: 07858 748640

Email: rector.horfield@gmail.com



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**Inclusive
Church**

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.
Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send
out workers into his harvest field."

Jesus in Matthew 9:37-38 *inv*



HARVEST LUNCH – SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

Tickets now on sale for the Harvest Lunch which will be on
Sunday, 27th September after Mass.

Three course lunch - £12 for adults and £6 for children.

Bar and a raffle.

For tickets, please contact (if not in church) :

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If you are able to donate a prize for the raffle this would be much
appreciated.

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