

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



Sunday, 11th May 2025 Easter 4 – Good Shepherd Sunday

Collect: Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

First Reading: Acts 9: 36-end

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Gospel:

John 10: 22-30

At that time, Jesus said: 'My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

HYMNS AND MUSIC FOR THE MASS

- 696 Jesus, where'er thy people meet
- 799(i) The Lord's my shepherd
- 681 In heavenly love abiding
- 612 Christ triumphant

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas, by David Thorne.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are unwell: Gillian Crow, Stuart Crow, Marcia, Annie, John Crocker, Dorothy Charlton, Sophia Vryoni-Dickson, Matthew, Ray Harris, Bryan and Joan Bufton, Phillada Ware, Martin Nicholls, Eileen Nash, Pat Riley, David Ryan, Geraldine, Dixie and family, Frank, Michael, Robin Haynes, Margaret Willey, Sophie, Joan Davies, Gemma Tweedie, Eleanor Costeloe, George Poole, Christine White.

Please pray for the recently departed: Virginia McGladdery and for those in our Year's Mind: Christopher Stock (14th), Alexander Vyroni, Jason Victory (15th), Donald Gover (16th), Edward Holloway (17th)

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!

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.**

Prayer and Meditation for May

'From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ, her Son and the Son of God...[to]learn from her to be always faithful, to trust that God's Word to you will be fulfilled, and that nothing is impossible with God.'"- St. John Paul II

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour Luke 1: 46-47.

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 by the Rector.

Christian Aid week is 11th May and donation envelopes will be available in church on both 11th and 18th May. Please give generously if you can. Thank you. Garth Baker and Geoff Stock.

Young People's Club Fiftieth Birthday Celebration We have great pleasure in inviting church members to come and share in celebrating fifty years of the Club and its interaction with the community of Horfield and beyond. Do come and join us in the Parish Hall on Saturday 7th June for a very special event celebrating over fifty years of our amazing Club. The Hall will be open from 12.30pm, with a finger buffet served from 1pm, followed by tea and cake. There will be speeches at 2.30pm.

We do hope you will be able to come, and would be grateful if you could register your attendance by the **18th May**, either by telephone: 07880 657829 or via email: <u>hpc.sec@horfieldparishchurch.org.uk</u>. We will be putting notices at the back of church for help with the day. Please do sign up if you are able to help. We all join in wishing you every blessing. The Holy Trinity Children and Families Pastoral Team.

Parish Contacts

Rector:Revd. Canon Dr. David McGladdery, SCPTel 07859 787787Email: rector.horfield@gmail.comPlease note that Fr David's day off is on a Monday.

Churchwarden: Caroline Plaice: 07714 255670 Email: ciplaice@gmail.com

Horfield Parochial Church Council (General Account)Sort Code: 301611Account Number: 00887278Horfield Parochial Church Council (Charity Account)Sort Code: 306296Account Number: 27658063Horfield Parochial Church Council (Welcome Project)Sort Code: 306232 Account Number: 64788960Please make any cheques payable to 'Horfield PCC'.

Parish Office:

Email: <u>hpc.sec@horfieldparishchurch.org.uk</u> Tel: 07880 657829 Website: <u>www.horfieldparishchurch.org.uk</u>

Regular Services

Sunday 10am Mass. Tuesday 12 noon Mass.
Wednesday 10am at St. Gregory's Church.
Thursday 10am Mass. Friday 6pm Mass
Refreshments are served after Sunday and Thursday Mass.

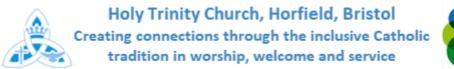
Next Messy Church : 18th May

Additional monthly Services in the Lady Chapel 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 – 4th 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: <u>https://www.sharesy.com/v/holy-trinity-horfield</u>





Getting involved: 11th May Activities

- Welcome Conversation An open discussion group led by a different person each time. 3rd Saturday of the month, 11am.
- Sapling Saturday Tidying and managing the churchyard. Second Saturday of the month, 9.30 to 11.30am. Next session: 10th May. Everyone can help in these sessions.
- Green Gym Mowing and strimming the churchyard. Every Monday from 2-4pm.
- Horfield Families Group, Wednesday May 14th Talk- Top tips for Happy Houseplants by "Fancy Plants" owner Sharon. 8pm Parish Hall. Guests welcome.
- Pilgrimage to Walsingham, Norfolk 30th June 3rd July (inclusive.) Two of our friends from the Union of Catholic Mothers', with whom we share the pilgrimage, have unfortunately had to drop out. If you are interested in having one of these places, please do get in touch with Caroline (Warden) as soon as possible.

NEXT SUNDAY 18TH MAY

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

A sign-up sheet for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on Sunday 18th May after Mass is on the table in the Welcome area. Do come along to hear about our activities over the last twelve months and plans for the future.

There will be a sandwich lunch provided.