

Holy Trinity
Headington Quarry



The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday 19th January 2025

Choir Anthem: *Cantate Domino* by Giuseppe Pitoni

The Gathering

Words of welcome

Hymn 104

Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,
manifested but the star
to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana wedding-guest
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in power divine,
changing water into wine:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Manifest in making whole
palsied limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might;
manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill:
anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
mirrored in thy holy word;
may we imitate thee now,
and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we like to thee may be
at thy great Epiphany;
and may praise thee, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.

Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)

Please stand.

The president says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

A minister says

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise
Of heavenly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, Almighty Father, heavenly King.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, your glorious victory won,
Receive our prayer, grant us your peace within.**

**Alone, O Christ, you are the only Lord,
At God's right hand, in majesty most high.
Who with the Spirit, worshipped and adored
With all the heavenly host, we glorify.**

Tune: 'Woodlands'

The Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Please stand. We repeat the refrain.



The Gospel is announced.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel reading: John 2. 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.'

And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Affirmation of Faith

Please stand.

Let us declare our faith in God:

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are sick or in particular need:

*Grace, Josie, Kitty Datta, Atmadeep Novo Datta, Bob Southgate,
Benjie, Caroline Winwood, Enid Owens, Pam, Madeline Tarrant,
Kenneth Sanders, Maureen, Helen Day, Hunter Merrit, Tony Buttolph,
Elizabeth.*

Those who have died recently:

Chris Hood, Mary Burr.

Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

*William Snowdon, Rose Gordon, David Saville, Robert Oliver,
Peter Hughes.*

And at the end

**Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body you are called to peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

A minister says

Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.

All may exchange a sign of Peace.

Hymn 103

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.

John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1875)

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Please sit or stand as you are most comfortable

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.
In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.
In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name,
in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Tune: 'Nicaea'

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me. *(Bells are rung)*

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you;

this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(Bells are rung)

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day

when your kingdom comes

and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,

for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us, so we pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.**

Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

slowly

Be - hold the Lamb of God, be - hold the Lamb of God. He

Be - hold the Lamb, the Lamb of God. He

takes a-way the sin, the sin of the world.

takes a - way the sin of the world.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

This is God's table and all are welcome. Please follow the directions of the stewards. We will form two lines to receive communion – the bread is distributed from the chancel step, and the wine is distributed from the lady chapel step. Please return to your pew via the north aisle. Stewards will be on hand to direct you!

If you are wearing a mask, it is most practical if you remove it before receiving communion. Please do not dip your wafer into the chalice. Please note that there is no obligation to take the chalice and it is fine still to receive communion in one kind only (the bread).

If you do not wish to receive communion and would prefer a blessing instead, please do come forwards as well.

Choir Anthem: *Oculi Omnium* by Charles Wood

Hymn 455

My God, and is thy table spread,
and doth thy cup with love o'erflow?
Thither be all thy children led,
and let them all thy sweetness know.

Hail, sacred feast which Jesus makes,
rich banquet of his flesh and blood!
Thrice happy he who here partakes
that sacred stream, that heavenly food.

Why are its bounties all in vain
before unwilling hearts displayed?
Was not for them the Victim slain?
Are they forbid the children's bread?

O let thy table honoured be,
and furnished well with joyful guests;
and may each soul salvation see,
that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,
and you have made yourself known
in the breaking of the bread.
Abide with us, we pray,
that, blessed by your royal presence,
we may walk with you
all the days of our life,
and at its end behold you
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,
one God for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Sending Out

Hymn 98i

Please stand

From eastern mountains
pressing on they come,
wise men in their wisdom,
to his humble home;
stirred by deep devotion,
hasting from afar,
ever journeying onward,
guided by a star.

There their Lord and Saviour,
meek and lowly lay,
wondrous light that led them
onward on their way,

ever now to lighten
nations from afar,
as they journey homeward
by that guiding star.

Thou who in a manger
once hast lowly lain,
who dost now in glory
o'er all kingdoms reign,
gather in the peoples
who in lands afar
ne'er have seen the brightness
of thy guiding star.

Godfrey Thring (1823 – 1903)

The Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

We have seen his glory,
the glory revealed to all the nations.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntary: *Toccata - Georgi Mushel*

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Please do join us for refreshments at the back of church or in the warmer meeting room after the Service. Please take this booklet away with you, and recycle it when you have finished with it. We no longer pass the collection plate around during the service, but you are welcome to use the collection plate at the back of church, or the contactless machine, if you would like to make a donation to support the work of our church. If you would like to sign up to regular monthly giving, please visit www.hthq.uk/giving-to-the-church for more information

Notices: Second Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday Jan 19th: Second Sunday of Epiphany

8am Holy Communion

President: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School

President: Revd Canon David Knight

Preacher: Revd Emily Hockliffe Essex

Organist: Andrew Patterson

Midweek Services

Morning Prayer: 9am Monday and Tuesdays in the Lady Chapel.

Midweek Communion: Wednesdays at 10am

Sunday Jan 26th: Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

A prayer for the vacancy:

God of vision and hope,
we thank you for all who have ministered here
throughout the history of this church.
In this time of vacancy,
may we continue to grow in love,
share in responsibility,
and seek your vision for our future,
in the name of Jesus Christ, our shepherd and our guide.
Amen.

Today at 5.30pm The Bishop of Oxford formally license Laura to her new post at Balliol College Chapel. All are welcome to attend the service of Choral Evensong. We ask for God's blessing upon Laura and we pray for her ministry in her new calling.

The Parish Office is closed until further notice when Helen is on sick leave.

All notices must be emailed to Emily by **9am on Tuesday mornings** otherwise they will not be included in the service booklet. In Helen's absence volunteers will check the office email account, pay bills, print off booklets and materials and support Emily and Rob in the administration of the church. We are very grateful to all those who are helping at this time and ask the congregation to support them in anyway they can.

Advance notice of a Regular Giving Appeal as part of our parish fundraising. A group led by our Treasurer, Richard Stoneman, has been meeting in recent months to look in detail at our church finances and at what we need to meet our obligations and to strengthen what we do as a church. With input from the Diocese we have decided to hold a **Regular Giving Appeal**. Around the start of Lent (on Sundays 2nd March, 9th March and 16th March) there will be a focus on giving and faith and developing a vision for our ministry and work. On 9th March we will be visited by the Generous Giving Advisor for the Diocese, Joshua Townson, who will talk at the 10am service.

Tots provision: Community Café From **January 21st**, we will be offering a Community Café space from 9.30am-11.30am on Tuesday mornings, making use of the new facilities in church. All are welcome, and most especially families with young children, as the meeting room will be set up for tots to play. **If you would like to volunteer**, we would be very grateful to hear from you regarding Tuesday mornings or the possibility of an afternoon slot around school pick-up time. Contact Emily for more info.

The Gatehouse supports adults aged 25+ who are homeless, vulnerably housed, on low income and/or looking for company and community. Holy Trinity will again be providing soup for the Gatehouse - if you are able to make one or more batches of 2 litres of vegetarian soup by **Sunday 26 January**, please let Monika Blackwell know (mdblackwell@hotmail.com or 07880 797009).

On **Sunday 12 January** I leave some freezer bags, labels and instructions outside my house at 1 York Road, Headington, OX3 8NW. If you are unable to collect them please let me know and I will drop them off. Thank you - this nourishing and warming soup is very welcomed.

HTHQ 175 Talking History the HTHQ175 committee have put together a programme of talks celebrating Holy Trinity's 175th Anniversary year:

Wednesday 5 February	Racial Justice	Revd Prof Rob Gilbert
Tuesday 4 March	History of the Quarry	(speaker TBC)
Wednesday 9 April	Church and Eco-theology	Dr Tom Crook
Wednesday 7 May	Morris Dancing	(speaker TBC)
Wednesday 4 June	Our changing church	Revd Canon Dr Margaret Whipp

The evening begins with refreshments at 6.45pm, the talk beginning at 7pm, and discussions close at 7.45pm. All are welcome in church.

This week's Eco Tips: There is still time to sign up for RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch. This is a fun activity, an opportunity to interest children in bird identification, and to play a part in monitoring numbers of garden birds- all part of the pursuit of biodiversity.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>

Hilary Rollin, Eco Group

Eco Resources for Spring 2025: For suggestions on information re Eco Matters, including reading material, links to Zoom sessions etc. go to:

<https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources>

Pastoral care team Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit. Please contact any of the clergy (numbers back page) or Janet Masters, Anne Tarassenko, or Ruth Wooldridge.



COMMUNITY CAFÉ



Tuesdays

9:30am - 11:30am

at

Holy Trinity Church, Headington,
Quarry

Everyone Welcome for tea, coffee, biscuits and cake

An intergenerational space for parents/carers to spend time with their younger ones, meet up with people of all ages and enjoy a tea or coffee at the side.

Toys for pre-school age children and toddlers available in the meeting room.



HTHQ



Making a difference this Christmas

As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day for prayer or quiet reflection, but our community goes far beyond our building.

This year, we provided spaces for children and young families, explored faith and empowerment with our young women, celebrated marriages, baptised children, and brought 8 young people to confirmation, supported families through bereavements, cared for and prayed with the ill and the vulnerable, welcomed visitors and pilgrims, and explored possibilities for our future.

None of this would be possible without the regular giving of those who support our church, and we want to say a huge thank you this Christmas for all you have given and enabled.

Please consider donating to Holy Trinity this Christmas so that we can continue to make a difference in the future. You can find a QR code below for the **Parish Giving Scheme**:



If you select **One-off Gift** then you can do this with no sign-up. Click **Continue as a guest** and provide the details needed. You can **Gift Aid** your donation - meaning we claim 25% tax back on it from the Government; and you can choose to remain anonymous and whether you share your contact data with Holy Trinity Church or the Parish Giving Scheme. After confirming your details you will be taken to secure card payment.

Holy Trinity Headington Quarry

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

As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day. We hope that you will find God's peace as you come to pray or just sit and rest awhile. If you have questions about the Christian faith or would like to find out more about church life, please get in touch:

Contact us

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