

wantage parish

TRINITY SUNDAY 31 May 2026

Holy Trinity Sung Eucharist: Mass of St Thomas (David Thorne)

Hymns: NEH 146, 360, 373 (tune: Coe Fen), 298 (tune 3i), 148 (omit *)

Parish Church Choral Eucharist: Mass in the Phrygian mode (Charles Wood) **Gloria:** Gloria from the Mass of Ss Peter & Paul (John Ridgway) **Motet:** God so loved the world (John Stainer)

Voluntary: First movement from Sonate II (Paul Hindemith)

Hymns: NEH 159, 373 (tune: Coe Fen), 358, 466

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Saturday 30 May	4pm Vigil Mass (Holy Trinity) 7pm-9.30pm 'All in a May Evening': Holy Trinity Patronal Celebration (<i>See notice below</i>)
Sunday 31 May	TRINITY SUNDAY (Holy Trinity Patronal Festival) 8am Eucharist (Parish Church) <i>Preacher: the Curate</i> 9.15am Sung Eucharist (Holy Trinity) <i>Preacher: the Vicar</i> 10.30am Choral Eucharist (Parish Church) <i>Preacher: the Curate</i> 3pm Godly Play (Holy Trinity)
Monday 1 June	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9.30am Eucharist (Parish Church) 3.30pm-4.30pm TBG: Teens' Bible Group (Parish Church)
Tuesday 2 June	9.30am Old Testament Bible Study Group (<i>What's On Where</i>)
Wednesday 3 June	3pm-6pm Around Table (Holy Trinity) <i>Last orders at 5.30pm</i> 7pm Eucharist <i>for Corpus Christi</i> (Holy Trinity)
Thursday 4 June	7.30pm Visitation Service (Parish Church) (Therefore NO Online Julian Prayer Group)
Friday 5 June	Boniface 12 noon Eucharist (Parish Church)
Saturday 6 June	4pm Vigil Mass (Holy Trinity)
Sunday 7 June	FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY: Introducing our Summer Sermon Series on Matthew and his Gospel <i>Preacher at all services: the Vicar</i> 8am Eucharist (Parish Church) 9.15am Sung Eucharist (Holy Trinity) 10.30am Choral Eucharist (Parish Church) 3pm Godly Play (Holy Trinity) 4pm Choral Evensong (Convent)

Morning Prayer is usually said in the Parish Church at 9am Monday-Friday

Eucharist at the Convent Tuesday-Saturday at 10am, all welcome (space permitting).

What's On Where: For information about regular church groups and activities, see the church noticeboard, the link in the eNews, or scan the QR code:



READINGS & PRAYERS

First Reading: Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Psalm 8

Response: How glorious is your name, O Lord

O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world.
Your majesty above the heavens is praised
out of the mouths of babes at the breast. **R/.**

You have founded a stronghold against your foes,
that you might still the enemy and the avenger. **R/.**

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have ordained,
What is man, that you should be mindful of him;
the son of man, that you should seek him out? **R/.**

You have made him little lower than the angels
and crown him with glory and honour.
You have given him dominion over the works of your hands
and put all things under his feet. **R/.**

All sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea. **R/.**

O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world! **R/.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11-end

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Gospel: Matthew 28.16-end

Alleluia,

Alleluia

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
One God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Alleluia

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

For Your Prayers: Sarah Clark, Lizzie, Beth, Natalie, Sirma, Chris, Pat and Dave, Alan and Dawn, Rachel, Niamh and Orlaith, Aubrey, Kathryn, Pat, Suzan Clark, Diane Dyche, David, Gordon, Peter, Joe, Peter, Elda, Karen, Tracey.

Please also pray for: Parish Breakfast; Phoebe and Jack on their wedding; Isaac on his baptism; Churchwardens attending the Visitation Service.

Readings & Hymns for next Sunday:

Hosea 5.15-6.6, Psalm 50.7-15, Romans 4.13-end, Matthew 9.9-13, 18-26

Hymns at HT: NEH 415 (tune 346), 224 (tune 178), 189 (tune 238), 225, 235

Hymns at PC: NEH 338 (omit *), 378, 309i, 148 (omit *)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI (Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion) will be kept on **Wednesday 3 June at 7pm at Holy Trinity Church, Charlton**, with a Eucharist followed by a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

YOUNG MUSICIANS' CONCERT: 3pm on Saturday 6 June, in the Parish Church (no entry charge, although donations to the work of the Wantage Parish Music Guild will be gratefully received). This is an opportunity for children and young people, from beginners to advanced players, to perform in public - **do come along and support them**. If any young person would like to take part, please email: organist@wantageparish.com.

APCM 2025 HIGHLIGHTS: Links to a presentation on the highlights of life in the Parish over the past year and the PCC Annual Report and Accounts can be found in the eNews.

PEW ARRANGEMENT: The pews in the Parish Church have been rearranged slightly to create an aisle across the nave. This is a trial at present to see if it helps people move around the church more easily. Do let us know what you think!

COMING SOON: "WE ARE THE CLAY"! celebrating the Parish Church Patronal Festival from **28-29 June**.

This year, our exhibition and family event will rejoice in the work of potters, ceramicists, stone masons and other artists who work in three dimensions. Over the weekend you will have an opportunity to:

- *View unique artifacts created by guest artists and our own "artist in residence", Bahar;
- *Find out more about the life of a stonemason working on Oxford's heritage buildings;
- *Discover sculptural wonders of the Parish Church (some of them often unnoticed);
- *Have a go at ceramic painting under expert tuition, for adults and children - booking link available soon.

GODLY PLAY: Wonder & worship. A service for children of all ages and their adults. **Every Sunday at 3pm at Holy Trinity Charlton.** Based on the Montessori approach to learning and using Godly Play materials and resources to help children explore and develop an understanding of God. Free sessions, led by Children and Young People's Minister, James Clarke. Come along and share in the wonder.

TRINITY TOTS: on **Monday 8 June** from 9am-11am at Holy Trinity. A relaxed play session for babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers and their parents/carers, with refreshments for all. £3.00 per family. Booking via the Wantage Parish events page at Ticketsource (<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wantage-parish>) and on the parish website

PARISH BREAKFAST: At the Parish Church from 10am on Monday 8 June following a Said Eucharist at 9.30am. All are welcome. Please email bob.chaplow@gmail.com the week before if you would like to come along.

COMMUNITY NEWS

REFLECTING ON THE IMAGE OF GOD: A conducted Quiet Day at St Mary's Convent on **Saturday 20 June**. £55 per head, including lunch and refreshments. Contact: www.csmv.co.uk/calendar-of-retreats/.

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