

# Sacred Trinity Church

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## Sunday 31st January Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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*For my eyes have seen your salvation. (Luke 2:30)*

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Today we remember the Presentation of Christ at the Temple and two people who waited a long time for God - Simeon and Anna. They kept on trusting God's promises would be realised and they were proved right. God is faithful, so let us come together and rejoice.



**Sacred Trinity  
Church**

Building friendship and community  
in which faith, hope and love  
can transform lives.



**THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND**

## This Weeks Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,  
light of the nations and glory of Israel:  
make your home among us,  
and present us pure and holy  
to your heavenly Father,  
your God, and our God.

## Weekly Prayer Diary

Sunday	Those who are affected by the Covid 19 pandemic
Monday	Salford Royal Hospital
Tuesday	Workers with children and young people
Wednesday	Chapel Street Community Arts
Thursday	Residents living around Sacred Trinity
Friday	Manchester Cathedral and St Anns
Saturday	Diocese of Lahore

## Daily Reading

Mon:	Psalm 1	Hosea 9	1 Corinthians 12.12-end
Tues:	Psalm 5	Hosea 10	1 Corinthians 13
Wed:	Psalm 119.1-32	Hosea 11.1-11	1 Corinthians 14.1-19
Thurs:	Psalm 15	Hosea 11.12-end of 12	1 Corinthians 14.20-end
Fri:	Psalm 19	Hosea 13.1-14	1 Corinthians 16.1-9
Sat:	Psalm 23	Hosea 14	1 Corinthians 16.10-end
Sun:	Psalm 29	Deuteronomy 8.1-10	Matthew 6.25-end

## News

### Join us online.

We are doing **Morning Prayer** every Monday and Wednesday at 9.30am via Zoom. We will also stream it on Facebook Live. Look for it on the Sacred Trinity FaceBook page. To find it on Zoom, download the app (On computer, tablet or phone) and look for Meeting ID: 353 982 391. Email Andy if you need more details.

Every **Sunday morning** we hold a service virtually. If you can join us on Zoom it will be a chance to chat as well as to worship together. Open Zoom and enter the Meeting ID: 294 998 827. We will open the event at 11am and start the service at 11.15. Try to "arrive" a little early to make sure everything is working. We will also separately post a short video on Instagram, Youtube & Facebook that will go live on Sunday morning for those who can't join us on Zoom.

### Join us by phone.

You can join in any of the meetings above by phone. To Phone into these, dial 0203 051 2874 and enter the meeting ID number. There are also additional numbers you can try: 0203 481 5240; 0131 460 1196 or 0203 481 5237.

## Opening of Church

Sacred Trinity PCC have reviewed the current situation with regard to the pandemic. In the light of the increased risks of transmission of the virus we have decided that, at least for the moment we will not be opening the Church building for worship or prayer. We will keep the situation under review **and will of course continue meeting online.**

### **Online Sunday Morning Worship**

This Sunday is the **presentation of Christ in the temple** and Andy will be speaking of perseverance in hope. Please join us online at 11am, the service starts at 11.15am on Zoom. A short video version will be available on Facebook and YouTube.

### **Online Sunday Evening Worship 5.30pm**

Sunday Evening Andy will lead an Evening Service on Zoom and we will also put it on Facebook live. After the service **we shall stay online** and form breakout rooms where we can have a chat and catch up with each other.

Zoom details are - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9575846768>

Meeting ID: 957 584 6768

### **A few words from Marie on how she is getting on in Durham**

Durham is a very beautiful place to study. I've met some lovely people amongst my fellow students (**lots of whom are much younger than me**). I'm aware not to take for granted that I can walk around this city. The riverbanks and wooded areas are lovely. I'm on placement with a lovely Church nearby and even managed to preach in a real life pulpit during advent. All lectures are online this term so lots of looking at a computer screen is tiring on the eyes but learning loads of fascinating things. I live in a household with other students so it **makes a nice change from the first lockdown** that I have folks to play board games with some evenings. The picture is me wearing the crochet crown I made for whoever wins the game that week. Miss you all so much.

### **Donation**

A huge thank you to **Christine in Canada for sending us 40 canadian dollars** for church. Christine and her mum were faithful members of Sacred Trinity. Sadly Christine's mum passed away a few years ago. Christine has lived in Canada for many years but likes to stay in touch. We feel very blessed that we are still in her thoughts. It's a very difficult time for church as we have lost all our income from concerts and the groups who use our building. We really rely on donations so thank you to everyone who donates, **it really does make a difference.**

### **Henry Martin's Book Launch Wednesday 3rd February 7-8pm**

We can't wait for Henry's book launch. **Henry Martin** is an artist, writer and ordained Anglican minister. His first book was the acclaimed **Eavesdropping**, and he has also illustrated Brian Sibley's book Joseph and the Three Gifts. He has worked in ministry in Dagenham, Salford and most recently for seven years as the Managing Chaplain at HMP Manchester (Strangeways). Before moving to France he was a member of our congregation. **It's a free event but you need to register at:**  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/virtual-book-launch-alongside-by-henry-martin-tickets-135958663021?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch>

### **Sounds From The Other City**

It's with great sadness that this much loved event has **been cancelled again** due to the current pandemic. This is having a huge financial impact and they are now wholly dependent on grants and funding. There is a SFTOC Lifeline Appeal where you can donate and they have also launched **The Sounds Town Gazette**, which launches in February. Their newsletter, supporting the festival and the community around it. Features, news, and special offers, direct to your inbox every couple of weeks. To donate or sign up for the newsletter just follow this link: <https://www.soundsfromtheothercity.com/>

## Intercessions

Various people have been helping to lead prayer which is much appreciated. We'd love to add to our list of volunteers for this and wondered if people (**old hands and potentially new ones**) would appreciate an online training session with discussion of resources and tips for doing this? Let Andy, Rebecca or Sam know if you are interested.

## Diocesan Training

Excellent news Lev has started training to become an **Authorised Lay Minister** with the diocesan course. Big thanks also to Peter and Lilli who are also doing some Lay Training. Anyone else who is interested in doing some training can visit <https://manchester.anglican.org/development-and-training/general-lay-courses/> for lots more information. Applications for the courses are open until Sunday 7th March.

## Ash Wednesday

This year Ash Wednesday is on 17th February and it seems very unlikely that we are going to be able to offer a normal Ash Wednesday service so we are going to do it on Zoom at 7pm. As everyone will be in their own home we won't be able to make the sign of the cross on people's foreheads in the usual way but you could make your own ash. The traditional way is to **burn an old Palm Cross**. So we are asking people, if you want to join in with this to find your Palm Cross and be ready to create some ash for the service on 17th Feb. If you don't have a palm cross let us know and we will send you one.

## Donations to Church.

Would you like to donate to the Church? As we're not allowed to meet in church at the moment cash donations are difficult. The most efficient way to give to church is to set up a standing order. You can also give one off donations directly to our bank account. Ask for details. Or you can give through Donate using the details below.

Text / SMS donations

**To donate £1, text STCS001 to 70201**

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**To donate £5, text STCS001 to 70970**

**To donate £10, text STCS001 to 70191**

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