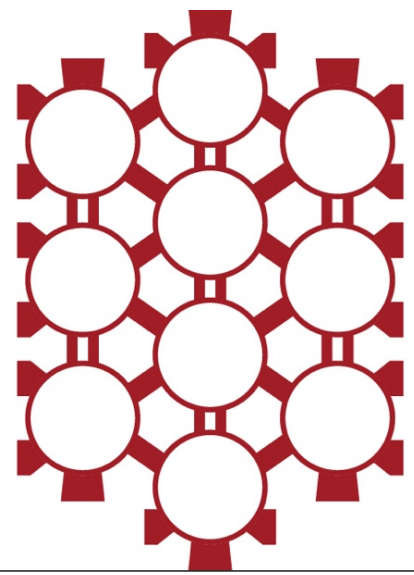


Anglican Church of St. Anna and St. Mary

Located at the Old Catholic Church

Kinderhuissingel 76, 2013 AV Haarlem

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All are welcome to join us in worship; we are an inclusive church a caring community which is committed to spiritual growth and mutual support. Everyone is welcome – we are open to God and our doors are open to all.

Sunday Service

Come join us in worship every Sunday at 14:30.

The readings for the coming weeks are listed below:

Choral Evensong

30th June

Trinity 5

1st: Revelation 21: 1 – 5
2nd: 2 Corinthians 8: 7 – 24
Gospel: Mark 5: 21 – 43

Choral Eucharist

7th July

Trinity 6

1st: 2 Samuel 5: 1 – 5; 9 – 10
2nd: 2 Corinthians 12: 2 – 10
Gospel: Mark 6: 1 – 13

Sung Eucharist

14th July

Trinity 7

1st: 2 Samuel 6: 1 – 5;
12b – 19
2nd: Ephesians 1: 3 – 14
Gospel: Mark 6: 14 – 19

Reflection from Revd. Bruce:

It is early morning as I write this, there are birds singing, the sun is shining, and the air is still cool. The neighbourhood is still quiet, there is very little traffic, the dogs have been fed and walked (not by me), are laying quietly and I am alone in the house.

It's important to stop and to slow down and I sincerely hope that everyone will get the opportunity over the next couple of months to do just that, to slow down and recharge.

It's important to reflect. Yesterday was busy, too busy rushing from one place to the next and then answering the endless emails and phone calls, some more important than others. Busy with everything and at the same time busy with nothing at all. I wondered where Christ was in all this busyness. Today, in the cool morning air I am looking back and reflecting.

I reflected on the most important communication of all from yesterday. A phone conversation last night with a friend who is celebrating 30 years in ministry. A Pentecostal minister with a migrant background, a former Theoloog des Vaderlands, a man I have now known for 20 years but have not seen since we've been back in the Netherlands. He suggested to me that Christ is in everything and in everyone.

There is no exclusivity in Christ, Christ is not just the saviour for some and not for others. We are not just worshippers, grateful spectators or admirers of Christ, but we are led by Christ, as partners "in triumphal procession" (2 Corinthians 2:14).

In our work in the Church, we must remember that Christ must be in everything we do, no exceptions, because Christ is mystically in everything around us. "There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything" (Colossians 3:11). To understand this requires reflection and stillness because the concept is so huge that comprehension is difficult.

Take some time to reflect on the magnificence of the world and in the quiet peace when it is offered. It's not always necessary to do something, sometimes it's necessary to do nothing, in order for something, in order for Christ, to be seen.

Stop, slow down and reflect.

Notices

Choral Evensong will be in our own church on **Sunday 30 June** in the service at **14:30**. We've waited a long time for a Choral Evensong as it only happens if the month has a fifth Sunday. The Choir have been working hard, preparing beautiful music for this wonderful traditional service. Visitors are welcome so bring along anyone who appreciates wonderful music!

Final Choral Service before holidays will be on Sunday, 7th July. The choir will be on holiday until the end of August. The Choral services will resume again on Sunday, 15th September.

Boys and Ladies Borrel on Wednesday, 17th July at Jopenkerk, Haarlem, starting at 19:30. It's been a while since the last borrel day, so let's get together again.

Bazaar in church on 6 July, 10:00 – 16:00. Our sister Old Catholic Congregation will be holding a Bazaar – there will be stalls with bric-a-brac, books, clothes and refreshments for a fun outing and a chance to clear out! All welcome from 10:00 am. They are also looking for volunteers to help on the day or to bake cakes beforehand - the best 2 cakes will win prizes! Please respond via our church WhatsApp channel.

Lifeline New Edition will be published soon in July. All contribution for articles, poems, photos are appreciated. The deadline of submission will be on 14th July, please email directly to Tim.

Summer BBQ on Saturday, 3rd August at Rene and Ann's house. You are welcomed at 16:30. Salads and other cold dishes contributions are always welcome. It will be a shared contribution for meat and drinks.

The Choir will be in Chester Cathedral from 12th – 18th August. They will be joined by other members of the European Cathedral Singers. If you are in the area, do go and support them.

Breakfast Club will start again on 21st September. Further info will be posted later.

Water reflections We hope you enjoyed Derek Akker's wonderful reflections on water which you can read on the **website**. The last part of the series was posted last Sunday – happy reading and reflecting. A new series starts tomorrow, Sunday 30th June. Thank you, Derek, for these reflections!



CC Squad News

The Children's Church has celebrated their 2 years anniversary last Sunday, and they are introducing their new name as CC Squad. Congratulations!



Choir News

ACH Choir has given a great performance during the Zomeravondmuziek in the Grote of St. Bavokerk last Sunday. Big applause to all the choir members and Martin.

Visitors: *If you are visiting us for the first time and you are used to receiving the eucharist in your home church, then feel free to receive communion here as well. If you prefer a blessing, then simply bring this notice-sheet to the communion rail or cross your arms and the celebrant will know to give you a blessing instead. If you require a Gluten Free Host please let someone know. Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table.*

You can find all the service information on our website: <https://anglican-church-haarlem.nl>

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