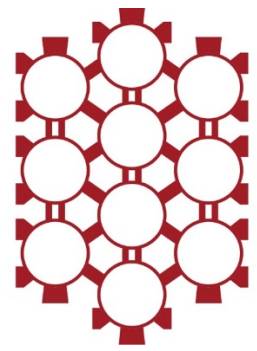


Anglican Church of St. Anna and St. Mary

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:

	<u>1st Reading</u>	<u>2nd Reading</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
Said Eucharist 22nd September <i>Trinity 17</i>	Proverbs 31: 10 – 31 <i>(Reader: Tim)</i>	James 3: 13 – 4: 3, 7 – 8a <i>(Reader: Tim)</i>	Mark 9: 30 – 37
Choral Evensong 29th September <i>Trinity 18</i> Michael and All Angels	Genesis 28: 10 – 17 <i>(Reader: John)</i>	John 1: 47 – 51 <i>(Reader: Diana)</i>	
Choral Eucharist 6th October <i>Trinity 19</i> Harvest Festival	Deuteronomy 16: 13 – 15 <i>(Reader: Ann)</i>	2 Corinthians 9: 6 – 15 <i>(Reader: Rob)</i>	Luke 12: 16 – 31
Sung Eucharist 13th October <i>Trinity 20</i>	Job 23: 1 – 9; 16 – 17 <i>(Reader: Martin)</i>	Hebrews 4: 12 – 16 <i>(Reader: Martin)</i>	Mark 10: 17 – 31

Reflection from Revd. Bruce:

What does it mean to live in a multi-cultural society? A multi-cultural society requires us to live in a way in which we don't judge, in a way which we give each other space, in a way in which we respect each other. Multi-culturalism does not mean that we all merge into something else, multi-culturalism means we can all experience and enjoy our own culture whilst also allowing others to experience and enjoy their own culture. Culture does not equal religion, but in many ways living in a multi-religious society also means the same thing. Multi-faith does not mean a merging of faiths but allowing others to have their own faith. We don't need to accept another's faith as our own, but we can be curious about another's faith. In this church we welcome people of all faiths and those of no faith.

In the Netherlands we live in a multi-cultural and a multi-faith (which includes no faith) society. The Netherlands sees itself as a historically Christian society, and this history can still be seen throughout our society, whether we were born into it or if we adopted it. It is not a perfect society, but it is a society which is based on fairness and equality.

I find the Netherlands a colourful society and a society which embraces diversity, as it has done over the centuries. Dutch society is struggling but I believe that it is stronger for its diversity. It may no longer be predominantly Christian, but it does have a distinct identity, an identity rooted in the Christian principles of fairness and equality.

Those of us with a faith and those who don't have a faith, we can all work together to make our home a better place. We can work for a greater understanding of each other.

As people who have adopted the Netherlands as our home, we bring our own culture and our own faith but we also appreciate and respect the society we have come to live in and to accept.

Notices

Choral Evensong services at St. John & St. Philip's in The Hague will be held on Sunday, 22nd September at 17:00. The choir will be joining the choirs of The Hague and Rotterdam.

On **Sunday 29 September** the choir will be singing **Choral Evensong in Haarlem Church at 14.30**. This service will follow the traditional setting and the choral works include Canticles from Gibbons, responses from Sanders and a beautiful anthem by Rheinberger. Do bring along a friend who might enjoy this reflective, prayerful worship.

Harvest Festival will be on **Sunday 6th October**. Afterwards we look forward to our traditional **Harvest tea** – please sign up on the notice board to bring along something for the Harvest Feast. There's also a raffle so take cash for raffle tickets and your chance to win a prize! This is a joint service with the Old Catholic congregation. Derek and Sue Akker will be joining us for the service and tea.

CC Squad – meet again after the holidays on the Fourth Sunday of the month – **Sunday 22nd September**, during the service. We are delighted to welcome Stella as a new CC Squad Leader.

St. Dominic reflection series from Brother Samuel Eccleston can be read on the **website**. We hope you enjoy this two-part reflection - happy reading and reflecting. Thank you, Br Samuel, for sharing the reflection series with our church. **Tomorrow Rev. Derek** starts his final reflections on **cathedrals** which will be posted weekly on the website. Derek will be over at Harvest (see above) so this will be a great chance to discuss his reflections and for many, meet the man behind these thoughtful and prayerful words. [Click here for reflections](#)

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Breakfast Club started again and we enjoyed a wonderful start to the weekend, mixing good food with great company. It's good to take a moment to be thankful for our close church family.



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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For questions regarding funeral, weddings, baptisms or any other pastoral matter please contact the Chaplain. For the church facilities go to <https://haarlem.oudkatholiek.nl>