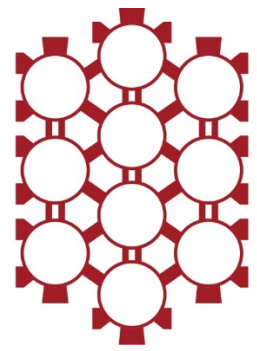


# Anglican Church of St. Anna and St. Mary

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>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
<u>Sung Eucharist</u> <u>27<sup>th</sup> October</u> <u>All Saints All Souls</u>	Isaiah 56: 3 – 8 <i>(Reader: Grada)</i>	Hebrews 12: 18 – 24 <i>(Reader: Grada)</i>	Matthew 5: 1 – 12
<u>Choral Eucharist</u> <u>3<sup>rd</sup> November</u> <u>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent</u>	Deuteronomy 6: 1 – 9 <i>(Reader: James)</i>	Hebrews 7: 23 – 28 <i>(Reader: Anni)</i>	Mark 12: 28 – 34
<u>Sung Eucharist</u> <u>10<sup>th</sup> November</u> <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent</u> <u>Remembrance Sunday</u>		Matthew 5: 1 – 12 <i>(Reader: Adam)</i>	
<u>Choral Eucharist</u> <u>17<sup>th</sup> November</u> <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent</u>	Daniel 12: 1 – 3 <i>(Reader: Francis)</i>	Hebrews 10: 11 – 14; 19 – 25 <i>(Reader: Corrie Anne)</i>	Mark 13: 1 – 8
<u>Sung Eucharist</u> <u>24<sup>th</sup> November</u> <u>Christ the King</u>	Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16; 20 – 24 <i>(Reader: Jan)</i>	Ephesians 1: 15 – 23 <i>(Reader: Jan)</i>	Matthew 25: 31 - 46

## Reflection from Revd. Bruce:

In the coming week we will be celebrating All Saints. A festival which probably started as All Martyrs Day. It is one of the earliest festivals; we find it in the very early church and by the third century Christians were honouring their brothers and sisters in Christ who had given their lives for their witness of Christ and declaring the Gospel.

In the early days a Martyr would be celebrated on the anniversary of their martyrdom and by the third century that day was also considered their birthday, the day when they were carried up by angels to heaven to come face to face with the living God. At their tombs prayers would be said and often the tombs would be decorated. However by the third century the number of martyrs was too great and that people who had stood up for their faith and somehow survive were also celebrated. There were not enough days in a year and a single day was chosen to remember these faithful followers of Christ.

We now have evidence that by the fifth century many places (such as Antioch) were holding commemorations on the 1<sup>st</sup> November for these holy and courageous people.

There are still places where being a Christian can cost you your life. Thankfully we live in a place where there is freedom for all to practise their religion be they Christian, Muslim, Jew or any other religion.

We live in a place where we respect each other and this is one of the central messages of Christ, who also accepted others whoever they were. To accept others is to accept Christ. We give thanks for the sacrifices of the martyrs of the faith, we give thanks for their example and their courage.

## Notices

**The Advent Discussion Group** online takes place on Tuesdays 5, 12, 19, 26 November from 19.30 – 21.00. The Pause in the Comma by John Bell is the title of the booklet we will be using. All are welcome to join one or all sessions. For more information, please contact Bruce or Diana.

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**ACH Ramblers – Appeal to all walkers!** Let's join our new activity. ACH Rambles is a walking group. We will be walking around some beautiful areas around Haarlem. This activity requires us to have some preparations beforehand. All the details can be seen in [Lifeline September Edition](#) and also posted in [ACH Social Whatsapp group](#). For more information, please contact Simone.

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**CC Squad** meeting will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 14:30. All children are welcome to join the meeting led by Simone, Anni and Stella.

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**Compline Service** is every second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the church in Haarlem. This is a very restful and beautiful evening service with prayer and liturgy. Next dates will be on 13<sup>th</sup> November and 11<sup>th</sup> December. Everyone most welcome!

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**Haarlem borrel** is on the third Wednesday of each month. We gather in Haarlem for a 'borrel' usually at the Jopenkerk in Haarlem. For the next time and place please check with Rev Bruce. Everyone welcome!

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**Ladies' Lunch.** Ladies from the church meet for lunch on the second Tuesday of each month at 12 noon, alternating between the Molenplas restaurant, Waertmolenpad 1, Haarlem and the Cineworld restaurant in Beverwijk (2 mins walk from the train station). All ladies are welcome, and if you would like to join, please let Ann know as she coordinates the dates.

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**Reflections on Cathedrals in and around the Midlands and Southern England series** from Rev'd Derek Akker can be read on the [website](#). We hope you enjoy the reflection - happy reading and reflecting. Thank you, Derek, for continuing to support our church with these reflections!

***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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