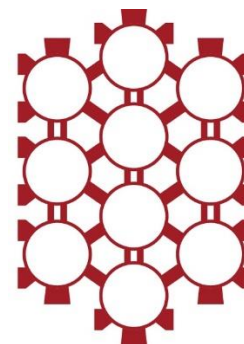


Anglican Church of St. Anna and St. Mary

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>
<u>1st Sunday of Lent</u> <u>9th March</u> <u>Sung Eucharist</u>	Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11 (Reader: Anni)	Romans 10: 8b – 13 (Reader: Anni)	Luke 4: 1 – 13
<u>2nd Sunday of Lent</u> <u>16th March</u> <u>Choral Eucharist</u>	Genesis 15: 1 – 12; 17 – 18 (Reader: Diana)	Philippians 3: 17 – 4: 1 (Reader: John)	Luke 13: 31 – 35
<u>3rd Sunday of Lent</u> <u>23rd March</u> <u>Sung Eucharist</u>	Isaiah 55: 1 – 9 (Reader: Simone)	1 Corinthians 10: 1 – 13 (Reader: Simone)	Luke 13: 1 – 9
<u>4th Sunday of Lent</u> <u>30th March</u> <u>Choral Evensong</u> <u>Mothers Sunday</u>	Joshua 5: 9 – 12 (Reader: Ann)	2 Corinthians 5: 14 – 21 (Reader: Andrew)	Luke 15: 11 – 32

Reflection

Lent began on the 5th of March and we now enter into 40 days of reflection, study and fasting. Lent continues until Easter when we celebrate the resurrection.

What will it be, reflection or study or fasting.

Reflection means you will be looking at yourself and considering how your faith is informing you regarding your place in the world today. Are you doing enough? Are there areas of your life where can improve. What about the choices you make, are you considering the environment, are you considering your giving to charities, are you thinking about how you can volunteer you time and talents to the church or to our society?

Study means you will be listening more intently to teaching, be in in church or professionally or self-improvement generally. What is it that you want to improve, a language or some other skill. All forms of study are good, and improving yourself not only enhances your state of mind, but it gives you a sense of pride. God wants you to be all that you can be.

Fasting means giving something up, be it something you really like, for example chocolate or snacks or that alcoholic drink you particularly enjoy perhaps this is the year to consider giving up smoking.... Fasting is not just about 'not eating', it is about giving something up to improve you live or your physical or mental health.

Whatever you do this year, even if you decide NOT to do anything different at all, I wish you every success in these next 40 days as we move to Easter.

Then after Easter, we can take stock of how successful we were, remembering of course that by realising we could have done better, is actually success.

Notices

Electoral Roll Renewal – As you may have seen on the church noticeboard all churches need to renew their Electoral Rolls this year. We invite everyone who worships with us regularly or habitually to fill in the form and renew / join the Electoral Roll. Forms will be emailed and are also available in church.

AGM – will be held on Sunday, 16th March after the service. We encourage everyone to come to the AGM and have a say in the church's future. To qualify to vote please complete an Electoral Roll form before the meeting. Further information is in the church noticeboard and will be emailed shortly.

Lent Course 2025 – the online discussion group will be looking at the Nicene Creed as preparation for Easter. The course will be done online every Tuesdays on 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st, 8th April 2025 starting at 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Contact Diana or Revd. Bruce for further information.

CC Squad – welcomes all children to join every 4th Sunday of each month at 14:30 during the service. For March, CC Squad will be held on Sunday, 23rd March.

ACH Ramblers – is inviting you to walk together on Saturday, 15th March at 10:15 – 14:15. We will be walking a part of 'Het Buitenplaatsenpad'. More information and to confirm your attendance please approach Simone.

Lifeline – Spring new edition will be coming soon. To contribute in the edition, please email your articles to Tim by Sunday, 16th March.

Choral Evensong - the Choir of Salisbury Cathedral, UK will be serving in St. Bavo Church, Grote Markt – Haarlem on Sunday, 6th April 2025 at 17:00. Everyone is welcome to attend the service.

Compline Service – held 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.

Haarlem Borrel – is the gathering time every third Wednesday of each month usually at the Jopenkerk in Haarlem. For the next time and place please check with Rev. Bruce. Everyone welcome!

Ladies Lunch – is the time for the ladies to have a nice day out. It is every 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 pm. All ladies are welcome to join. Please check with Ann for further information.

Reflections from Revd. Derek Akker: The new reflection will be going on a pilgrimage to a number of sites in the west of Scotland, places rooted in a deep Christian heritage. These reflections provide space to appreciate places and the sacredness that has been associated with these places and the people who lived and shared their faith there. Reflections can be read on the website: <https://anglican-church-haarlem.nl>



Calling for volunteers – Tea time after church is a time from and for everyone to enjoy. Please help by volunteering to serve. Put your name on the notices board.

If you want to contribute with the flower arrangement at the altar, you are welcome to put your name on the notices board. Every little deed is always appreciated.



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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Diocesan contact: <https://europe.anglican.org/safeguarding/who-to-contact>

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>