



The Holy Trinity

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THE HOLY TRINITY

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God,

The God of manna,

The God of miracles,

The God of mercy. **Amen.**

Draw to Christ and seeking God's abundance,

Let us confess our sin.

God our provider, help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. **Amen.**

Beloved people of God,

In Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:

You are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 6:1-8*

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: *Psalms 29*

- ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.
- ²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
- ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.
- ⁴**The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.**
- ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- ⁶**the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**
- ⁷The voice | of the LORD
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.
- ⁸**The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.**
- ⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**
- ¹¹O LORD, give strength | to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace.

SECOND READING: *Romans 8:12-17*

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: *John 3:1-17*

The holy gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON:

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!Alrwdlq5YZa1iWptxwLakZR4KtcX>

(Click on the link above to view Pastor Jeff's sermon (or you can find it on the website under the separate heading "Sermons")

CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. We pray especially for all nations where people are suffering amid conflict and violence that they might experience your gift of healing and reconciliation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially Hans, Bea, Elsie, Emma, Mary, Ardath, Doreen, Margaret, Paul, Lynnette, Glenn, Maria, Beryl, Cathy, Robb, Jack, John, Ralph, Katana, Ralph, Rose Marie, Nya, Muriel, Ron, Brian, and Kolby. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for this worshiping community, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith (especially Karen). We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP CANCELLATION NOTICE

ON MAY 13, 2021

THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO, DOUG FORD, ANNOUNCED AN
EXTENSION TO THE PROVINCE-WIDE DECLARATION OF
EMERGENCY AND
STAY-AT-HOME ORDER WHICH BEGAN AT 12:01 A.M. ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021.

RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL JUNE 2, 2021.

IT IS BISHOP MICHAEL'S STRONG COUNSEL THAT EASTERN
SYNOD CONGREGATIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
CEASE ALL IN-PERSON GATHERINGS UNTIL EMERGENCY
AND STAY-AT-HOME ORDERS HAVE BEEN LIFTED.

AS A RESULT,

WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU THAT
ALL "IN-PERSON" GATHERINGS,
INCLUDING WORSHIP, ARE

**CANCELLED UNTIL THE EMERGENCY AND STAY-AT-HOME
ORDERS HAVE BEEN LIFTED.**

**PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE AT
www.zionstratford.com**

FOR UPDATES !!

**COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE
FROM THE HURON PERTH PUBLIC HEALTH**

Friday, May 28, 2021: We are currently only booking second dose appointments for clinics the weeks of June 14-July 3. Reminder emails have been sent to people due for their second dose during these weeks.

If you received an email and are having trouble booking, please reply to the email for the fastest response. If you did not receive an email and are eligible to book your second dose during this time, please call us at 1-833-753-2098. Please do not call to book your first dose at this time, as our first dose appointments are currently full. Visit COVID-19 Vaccine: Booking Appointments for more information on first doses.

Second doses at the 16 week interval are coming up soon for those who got their first dose late February or early March. The HPPH second dose calculator will calculate your earliest dose based on your eligibility.

How to book your second dose

- Use the second dose calculator on the HPPH website to find out when you can receive your second dose.
- Then visit the HPPH booking system at www.hpph.ca/vaccinebooking or call 1-833-753-2098 to book an appointment.
- If your earliest possible second dose date falls within the date range of an upcoming HPPH clinic, please book an appointment. If clinics are not yet available during the time you are due for your second dose, please check back for future clinics.
- You can also subscribe to the booking webpage to get alerts when new clinics are added.
- If you received your first dose through your primary care provider or at an HPPH community clinic, please go ahead and book at an HPPH community clinic for your second dose.

HPPH does not book second dose appointments when you get your first dose. You must book

your second dose once you are eligible.

Reminder emails

We are sending a reminder email, when possible, to alert individuals when they will be due for their second dose, following the extended interval of 16 weeks.

Note: We are only able to send emails to those who have been vaccinated at an HPPH community clinic AND who provided us with an email address at the time of booking.

If you have already received your second dose, please ignore this email reminder.

Please note that even without an email, you can still book a second dose if you are eligible. The email is just a helpful reminder.

Shortened second dose interval (original dose schedule)

As vaccine supply increases, the province is expanding eligibility for the shortened second dose interval.

The second dose calculator will calculate based on the following schedule:

- the second dose of the Pfizer vaccine should be administered no less than 21 days apart, and the second dose of the Moderna vaccine should be administered no less than 26 days apart.

List of who is eligible for a shortened second dose interval
Extended interval (16 week schedule)

Anyone not eligible for the shortened second dose interval can receive their second dose at the extended interval (aiming for 16 weeks).

We are administering extended interval second doses between 14.5-16 weeks after your first dose. If you can't book a clinic spot at 16 weeks, please book an appointment for the closest time that is available.

If you book an appointment before your earliest possible appointment date, and you do not qualify for the earlier dose schedule, you will be turned away at the clinic.

The HPPH second dose calculator will calculate your earliest dose based on your eligibility.

The decision to extend the time interval for a second dose follows the recommendations from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), which considered evidence from recent scientific studies on efficacy and effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines. Extending the dose interval to four months creates opportunities for protection of the entire adult population within a short timeframe.

Vaccine eligibility

- Individuals aged 18 and older (born in 2003 or earlier) and youth aged 12-17 are eligible to be vaccinated.
- Youth and their eligible family members have been given priority access to appointments at community vaccination clinics the weeks of June 14 and June 21. This group has received communication directly from their school board/school with exclusive booking links. - Priority access is part of our youth vaccination plan, based on Ministry direction.

Vaccination coverage

We continue to make good progress with vaccinations in Huron Perth and are very pleased with the coverage rates so far. Over 93% of individuals aged 70 and over have received at least one vaccine dose.

As of May 25, we are reporting 65,537 vaccine doses administered in Huron Perth by HPPH and partners.

For Huron Perth residents, 65,757 or 54.1% have received at least one dose of vaccine and 5,650 or 4.6% are fully vaccinated.

You can see this vaccination coverage information on our COVID-19 in Huron and Perth webpage.

Thank you to the community for your commitment to get vaccinated, and thank you to our partners who are helping make these vaccinations happen.

Huron Perth mass vaccination clinics

The Stratford Family Health Team, STAR Family Health Team, Happy Valley Family Health Team, and Mitchell Family Doctors are hosting a Moderna COVID-19 vaccination clinic for residents 18 years of age and older on Friday, June 4.

This clinic is for first dose appointments only

You do not need to be a patient of any of the above family health teams to receive your vaccine at this clinic.

To book, please visit <https://chkmkt.com/HPprimarycareJune4>

Moderna is an mRNA vaccine, similar to Pfizer-BioNTech. However, if your first dose was Pfizer then you are not able to receive Moderna as a second dose.

Only individuals age 18 or older are eligible for Moderna

More information about the Moderna vaccine is available in the COVID-19 Vaccine Information Sheet.

The HPPH Moderna-only clinics on May 27, June 3 and June 7 are fully booked.

Also, local pharmacies are now offering Moderna or Pfizer vaccinations. The list of pharmacies administering vaccinations is available at: <https://covid19.ontario.ca/vaccine-locations>.

A limited number of appointments for HPPH vaccination clinics are available for early June. We ask that people waiting to book vaccination appointments please be patient with our staff during this busy time.

Provincial reopening plan

Last week, the Ontario government released its plan for gradually reopening the province and lifting public health measures, “Roadmap to Reopen”. The plan replaces the colour-coded framework and hinges on the provincewide vaccination rate and improvements in key public health and health care indicators.

We remain under a province-wide stay-at-home until June 2, however as of May 22, outdoor gatherings of five people are permitted, and outdoor recreational amenities may open with restrictions.

Please note:

Regardless of your vaccination status, it is important to continue following public health measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please continue to stay home when you are sick, avoid close contact with those outside of your household, practice physical distancing, wear a mask, and wash your hands frequently. Monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and get tested if symptoms develop.

For more information:

www.hp-ph.ca/coronavirus

www.ontario.ca/coronavirus

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Call HPPH at 1-888-221-2133

YOUR PRAYER FOR TODAY



Prayer to the HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power
and love created me, making
me in the image and likeness
of God.

Glory be to the Son,
Who by His Precious Blood
delivered me from hell, and
opened for me the gates of
heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the
sacrament of Baptism, and
continues to sanctify me by
the graces I receive daily from
His bounty.

**Glory be to the three adorable
Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever. Amen.**

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(I have heard there are some who are enjoying colouring during COVID)

