

Fáilte



(Please stand if you are able)

The Greeting

Grásta agus trócaire agus síocháin ó
Dhia ár nAthair
agus ó Íosa Críost ár dTiarna,
go raibh libh go léir
agus leat féin.

Grace, mercy and peace from
God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all
and also with you.

Opening Responses

Secure on a rock, you gather us;
you wrap us round in love.

Under your wings, you gather us;
you wrap us round in love.

Safe in your house, you gather us;
you wrap us round in love.

Hymn No. 611 (Bunessan)

Christ be beside me,
Christ be before me,
Christ be behind me,
King of my heart.
Christ be within me,
Christ be below me,
Christ be above me,
never to part.

Christ on my right hand,
Christ in my left hand,
Christ all around me,
shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping,
Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising,
light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts
thinking about me,
Christ be on all tongues
telling of me.
Christ be the vision
in eyes that see me,
in ears that hear me,
Christ ever be.

(Please remain standing, if you are able)

Collect for Purity

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are
hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

*by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

The Penitence

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it. You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets. ***Lord, have mercy on us, and write these laws in our hearts.***

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

(Please sit or kneel)

[Silence]

The Penitential Kyries for Irish Saints

O taste and see that the Lord is good;
Happy are those who trust in him.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.
A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants
and none who trust in him will be destroyed.
A Chríost, déan trócaire.
A Chríost, déan trócaire.

Come my children, listen to me:
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
A Thiarna, déan trócaire.
A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

The Absolution

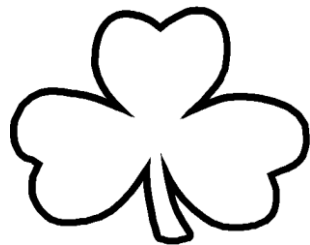
Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy on you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



**THE MINISTRY OF THE
WORD**

**The Collect for the Second
Sunday in Lent**

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error
the light of your truth
that they may return to the way of
righteousness:
Grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's
religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their
profession,
and follow all such things
as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.



An tOrtha le Lá Fhéile Pádraig

A Dhia uilechumhachtaigh,
a thogh le do réamhaire do
sheirbhíseach Pádraig
mar aspal do mhuintir na hÉireann,
chun an dream a bhí ar fán i
ndorchadas agus in earráid
a sheoladh ar an bhfíorsholas
agus ar eolas ar do bhriathar:
coimeád sinn sa solas sinn
ar shlí go raibh an bheatha shíoraí
againn;
trí Íosa Críost ár dTiarna. **Áiméan.**

The Collect for St Patrick's Day

Almighty God,
in your providence you chose your
servant Patrick
to be the apostle of the Irish people,
to bring those who were wandering in
darkness and error
to the true light and knowledge of your
Word:
grant that walking in that light
we may come at last to the light of
everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Epistle - Philippians 3:17-4:1

*The epistle is written in the letter of Paul to the
Philippians, chapters 3 and 4, beginning at verse
17 of chapter 3.*

17 Brothers and sisters, join in
imitating me, and observe those who
live according to the example you
have in us. ¹⁸For many live as
enemies of the cross of Christ; I
have often told you of them, and
now I tell you even with
tears. ¹⁹Their end is destruction;
their god is the belly; and their
glory is in their shame; their minds
are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our
citizenship is in heaven, and it is
from there that we are expecting a
Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He
will transform the body of our
humiliation so that it may be
conformed to the body of his
glory, by the power that also
enables him to make all things
subject to himself. ⁴Therefore, my

brothers and sisters, whom I love
and long for, my joy and crown,
stand firm in the Lord in this way,
my beloved.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 112 (There is a Redeemer)

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve my King forever
in that holy place.

(Please remain standing, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel - Luke 13: 31-35

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according
to Luke, chapter 13, beginning at verse 31.*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

31 At that very hour some Pharisees
came and said to him, 'Get away

from here, for Herod wants to kill
you.' ³²He said to them, 'Go and tell
that fox for me, "Listen, I am
casting out demons and performing
cures today and tomorrow, and on
the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet
today, tomorrow, and the next day I
must be on my way, because it is
impossible for a prophet to be killed
away from Jerusalem." ³⁴Jerusalem,
Jerusalem, the city that kills the
prophets and stones those who are
sent to it! How often have I desired
to gather your children together as
a hen gathers her brood under her
wings, and you were not
willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to
you. And I tell you, you will not see
me until the time comes when you
say, "Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord." '

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Nicene Creed (shortened version)

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ, the only Son of
God.***

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life.
Amen.**

(Please kneel or sit)

Intercessions

Lord, through your love,
transform our lives.

**Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(Please stand, if you are able)



Please feel free to share the sign of peace in a manner that you and the person you are sharing the peace with are comfortable... it may be that a smile or a wave might be more appropriate than a handshake!

The Introduction to the Peace for Irish Saints' Days

Síocháin duit agus síocháin do do
theaghlach,
agus síocháin do gach a mbaineann
leat.

1 Saimúéil 25: 6

Go raibh síocháin an Tiarna libh i
gcónaí:
agus leat féin.

Peace be to you, and peace to your hose,
and peace to all who are yours.

1 Samuel 25: 6

The peace of the Lord be always with
you.

And also with you.

*We recognise that many people give online
and via Standing Order, and do not put any
collection in the basket. If you wish to
donate to the church online or electronically,
the treasurers would be happy to give you
the required details.*

Offertory Hymn - No. 322 (St. Patrick's Breastplate & Gartan)

Verses 1, 8 & 9 only

1. I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One and One in Three.

8. Christ be with me,
Christ within me,
Christ behind me,
Christ before me,
Christ beside me,
Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ in quiet,
Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and
stranger.

9. I bind unto myself the name,
the strong name of the Trinity,

by invocation of the same,
 the Three in One and One in Three;
 of whom all nature hath creation,
 eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
 Praise to the Lord of my salvation:
 Salvation is of Christ the Lord.
 Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

Christ, our passover has been
 sacrificed for us,
*therefore let us celebrate the
 feast.*

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 3

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our
 God.
*It is right to give him thanks and
 praise.*

Father, Lord of all creation, we
 praise you for your goodness and
 your love.
 When we turned away you did not
 reject us.
 You came to meet us in your Son,
 welcomed us as your children and

prepared a table where we might
 feast with you.

In Christ you shared our life that
 we might live in him and he in us.
*He opened wide his arms upon the
 cross and, with love stronger than
 death, he made the perfect
 sacrifice for sin.*

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on
 the night before you died you came
 to table with your friends.

Taking bread, you gave thanks,
 broke it and gave it to them saying,
 Take, eat, this is my body which is
 given for you; do this in
 remembrance of me.

*Lord Jesus we bless you:
 you are the bread of life.*

At the end of supper you took the
 cup of wine, gave thanks, and said,
 Drink this, all of you; this is my
 blood of the new covenant, which is
 shed for you and for many for the
 forgiveness of sins; do this, as often
 as you drink it, in remembrance of
 me.

*Lord Jesus, we bless you:
 you are the true vine.*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:
*dying, you destroyed our death,
 rising, you restored our life;
 Lord Jesus, come in glory.*

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon
 us now; may this bread and wine be

to us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace, one in Christ, our risen Lord.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, for ever praising you and saying:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!*

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

*Ár nAthair, atá ar neamh
go naofar d'ainm,
go dtaga do ríocht,
go ndéantar do thoil
ar talamh mar a dhéantar ar neamh.
Ár n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu,
agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha,
mar a mhaithimidne dár*

bhféichiúna féin.

*Agus ná lig sinn i gcathú,
ach saor sinn ón olc.*

Óir is leatsa an ríocht, agus an chumhacht, agus an ghlóir, trí shaol na saol. Áiméan.

The Breaking of the Bread

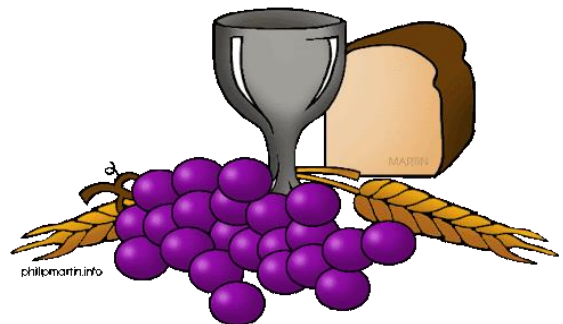
Jesus' disciples recognised him in the breaking of the bread:
may we recognise him in our midst and in each other.



The Invitation

It is the custom of the Church of Ireland to welcome to receive Holy Communion, all those who usually receive Holy Communion in their own tradition. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please indicate this to the priest, or you may prefer to remain seated. Please feel free and welcome to do whichever is appropriate for you.

The Communion



The Great Silence

You are invited to take some time to reflect, having received Holy Communion.

The Post Communion Prayer for St Patrick's Day

*Hear us, most merciful God,
for that part of the Church
which through your servant Patrick
you planted in our land;
that it may hold fast the faith
entrusted to the saints
and in the end bear much fruit to
eternal life:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

An Beannacht le Lá Fhéile Pádraig
Go líona Dia lena ghrásta sibh chun
lorg na naomh a leanúint go dílis agus
a ghlóir a thabhairt chun
torthúlachta,
an Dia sin a thug beannacht a
Naomheaglaise don tír seo fadó;
agus go raibh beannacht Dé
uilechumhachtaigh,
an tAthair, an Mac, agus an Spiorad
Naomh oraibh is in bhur measc i
gcónaí. **Áiméan.**

The Blessing for St Patrick's Day

God, who in days of old gave to this land
the benediction of his holy Church, fill
you with his grace to walk faithfully in
the steps of the saints and to bring forth
fruit to his glory:
and the Blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be with you always. *Amen.*



Hymn No. 643 (Slane (1))

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my
heart,
naught be all else to me, save that
thou art;
thou my best thought in the day and
the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my
light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true
word,
I ever with thee, and thou with me,
Lord;
thou my great Father, and I thy
true heir;
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy
care.

Be thou my breast-plate, my sword
for the fight;
be thou my armour, and be thou my
might;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my
high tower,
raise thou me heavenward, O Power
of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty
praise,
thou mine inheritance through all my
days;

thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when the battle is done,
grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's sun,
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Dismissal

In the goodness of God,
we are travelling home.

In the justice of Jesus,
we are travelling home.

In the song of the Spirit,
we are travelling home.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

In the interests of trying to keep all who come to our churches safe, please take away this service sheet and any other items that you may have brought with you or used in church this morning. Thank you.

Stay well and stay safe.



Tea/Coffee/Juice

You are warmly invited to tea/coffee/juice in the Monk Gibbon Hall after the 9.30 Service in St Thomas' Church and in the South Transept after the 11.00 Service in St Philip and St James' Church.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Wednesday 19th March 2024

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church



Sunday 23rd March 2025

8.30 Holy Communion - St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Family Service for Daffodil Day - St Philip and St James' Church

followed by Daffodil Coffee Morning and Bring-and-Buy in St Philip and St James' Parish Centre.

At this Service, we will pray for all who have been affected by cancer in any way, either themselves or through someone else. We will also pray for those involved in the healing and care of people with cancer; and for those who are undertaking research into the

treatment and cure of cancer.

Tea/coffee will be served after the service, in aid of the Irish Cancer Society, and there will also be a Bring and Buy Stall in aid of the Irish Cancer Society.

Wednesday 26th March 2025

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

Sunday 30th March 2025 –

Mothering Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

9.30 Service of the Word in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Baptism in St Philip and St James' Church



Healer Prayer Group

Tuesday 25th March 2025

19.30 hours *via Zoom*



St Thomas' Sunday Club will meet at 9.30 in the Monk Gibbon Hall and St Philip and St James' Sunday Club will meet at 11.00 in St Philip and St James' Parish Centre on the following

Sundays:

Sunday 6th April 2025

All children who are toilet-trained are welcome.

The leaders have been Garda-vetted and have undergone Safeguarding Trust Training.

BOOTERSTOWN AND
CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY

THURSDAY 20TH MARCH

2025 AT 19.30 HOURS

IN THE PARISH ROOM OF ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES' PARISH CENTRE

MOUNT MERRION

SELECT VESTRY

MEETING

MONDAY 24TH MARCH 2025

19.30 HOURS

IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE MONK GIBBON HALL

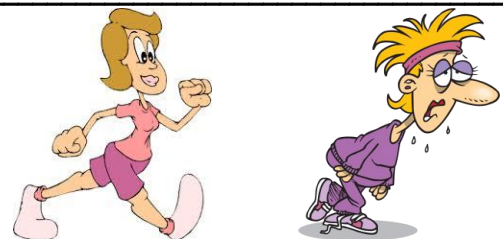
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday afternoon 3.30pm—4.10pm

In the Canon Osborne Barr Room of St Philip and St James' Parish Centre

Contact Irene on 087-2755423

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Lenten Challenge

Gillian is off again!

This year, she is walking/cross-training/cycling/rowing at least 5km every day of Lent 2025.

Wednesday 5th March – Saturday 19th April 2025 inclusive!

Lent is the season for examining ourselves and seeing how we can more

fully reflect the life and love of Christ and his commandment to us to love our neighbour as ourselves. That means respecting and caring for others and for ourselves.

Therefore, again, this Lent, I am encouraging people to take up something that gives you a focus each day and that benefits you physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

This year, I will doing 5km each day - using a variety of ways of moving as I have been battling with plantar fasciitis for the last year! - for my physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellbeing and for the Irish Cancer Society and Blackrock Hospice.

You can make a donation by online banking to

**Boosterstown and Mount Merrion
Account**

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What to do in Lent!

Join **Christ Church Cathedral** and **Fr Kieran O'Mahony**

OSA present 'Salvation in the Gospel of John'.

This is a 6 week course beginning at 19:30 on **Ash Wednesday after Eucharist at 18:00** which you are warmly encouraged to attend.

Keys for unlocking the message today.

This is a free hybrid event. Participants can attend in person in the Music Room at Christ Church or via Zoom.

Please note that the Music Room is only accessible by stairs.

<https://christchurchcathedral.ie/lenten-series-2025.../>

EASTER GENERAL VESTRIES

Both Easter General Vestries will be held in person.

MOUNT MERRION
EASTER GENERAL VESTRY
TUESDAY 8TH APRIL 2025
20.00 HOURS
ST THOMAS' CHURCH

BOOTERSTOWN
AND CARYSFORT
EASTER GENERAL VESTRY
THURSDAY 10TH APRIL
2025
20.00 HOURS
ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES' CHURCH

Saturday 22nd March,
10am - 3pm

Newcastle Parish Centre,
Co. Wicklow, A63 X782.

HE RESTORES MY SOUL

A Quiet Day reflecting on Psalm 23

Facilitated by Lydia Monds, CMH:I
Sessions will include:

Time exploring the Psalm in new ways.
Contemplative prayer practices
Time for silence, personal reflection
& creative response.



Tea, Coffee & Soup provided. B.Y.O. lunch

Free Event. Donations welcome. To book, contact Jeanne:
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