



[Please stand, if you are able]

The Greeting

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hymn No. 22 (You shall cross the barren desert)

You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign
lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

*Be not afraid,
I go before you always.
Come, follow me,
and I will give you rest.*

If you pass through raging waters,
you shall not be drowned.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

Blessed are your poor,
for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blessed are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate
you
all because of me,
Blessed, blessed are you!

The Preface

Beloved in Christ, we come together
to offer to Almighty God our worship
and praise and thanksgiving, to
confess our sins and to receive God's
forgiveness, to hear his holy word
proclaimed, to bring before him our
needs and the needs of the world, and
to pray that in the power of his Spirit
we may serve him and know the
greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our
Father.

[Please kneel or sit]

A Confession for the National Day of Commemoration

*Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned in
thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our
whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbour as
ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have
been,*

**help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

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.**

[Please stand, if you are able]

**O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your
praise.**

**O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
**as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be forever. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

[Please sit]

The First Reading - 2 Samuel 6: 12b-19

The first reading is from the second book of Samuel, chapter 6, beginning at verse 1.

12 It was told King David, 'The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; ¹³and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. ¹⁴David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. ¹⁵So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

16 As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

17 They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. ¹⁸When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, ¹⁹and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of

Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Here ends the First Reading.

[Please stand, if you are able]

Psalm - Hymn No. 712 (Woodlands)

[Verses 1-2]

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:

unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;

tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:

make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;

his mercy sure, from age to age the same;

his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

[Please sit]

The Second Reading - Mark 6: 14-29 25-30

The second reading is from the gospel according to Mark, chapter 6, beginning at verse 14.

14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has

been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' ¹⁵But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

17 For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' ²⁵Immediately she rushed

back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Here ends the Second Reading.

[Please stand, if you are able]

Canticle - Hymn No. 712

(Woodlands) *[Verses 3-4]*

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his
might:
powers and dominions lay their glory
by:
proud hearts and stubborn will are put
to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted
high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his
word:
firm is his promise, and his mercy
sure.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the
Lord
to children's children and for
evermore.

[Please stand, if you are able]

The Apostles' Creed *[shortened version]*

***I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the
Lord, the giver of life. Amen.***

*[Please remain standing, if it is comfortable for you
to do so]*

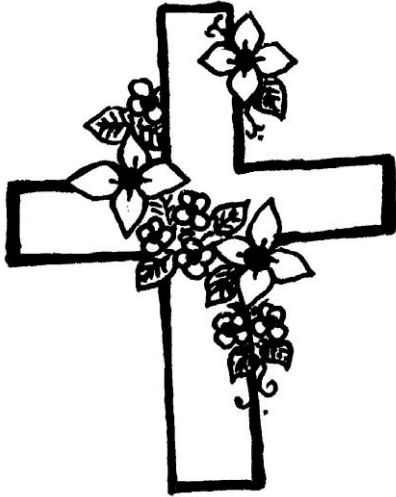
Time of Remembrance

Let us remember before God, and
commend to his sure keeping those
who have died in the cause of peace,
those whom we knew, and whose
memory we treasure;
all who have lived and died in the
service of others:
in the past and in recent years,
in faraway places and on this island.

[Silence]

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot
be parted,
either by death or life:

hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your
love, and bring us all, with them, to
your eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



The Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

[Please sit or kneel]

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer

The Versicles and Responses

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers
and grant our government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with
righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
**and bless those whom you have
chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
**and let your glory be over all the
earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within
us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good
things:
graft in our hearts the love of your
name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in
the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Collect for use at Morning Prayer
**Go before us, Lord, in all our
doings,**

*with your most gracious favour,
and further us with your continual
help;
that in all our works begun,
continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy attain
everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



The Prayers of the People

Prayer for the National Day of Commemoration 2024

*The Archbishop of Dublin wishes all clergy to
use the prayer below in their services this
weekend.*

Almighty God,
we remember before you all those
who have given lives of service in the
cause of freedom and justice
worldwide.
On the National Day of
Commemoration we pause to reflect
and to give thanks for men and women
from Ireland who have taken risks,
offered service and lost lives for the
well-being of others in warfare and in
peacekeeping across the globe.
Protect those who today are involved

in the arenas of war and the places
which cry out for peace.
Bless them and enable us to honour
their example as today we worship you
the God of life, the prince of peace
and the source of love. **Amen**

The Grace

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit be with us all, evermore.
Amen.*

Hymn No. 642 (Amazing Grace)

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound!)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear,
and grace my fears relieved:
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and
snares

I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus
far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be

as long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

The Sermon

Act of Commitment

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women: that we may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations.



*Lord God our Father,
we pledge ourselves to serve you
and all humankind,
in the cause of peace,
for the relief of want and
suffering, and for the praise of
your name.
Guide us by your Spirit;
give us wisdom;
give us courage;
give us hope;
and keep us faithful now and
always. Amen.*

*[The offering will be received during the singing of
this hymn.]*

Hymn No. 15 Thanks and Praise (Bless the Lord O My Soul)

*Bless the Lord O my soul, O my
soul,
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul,
I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day
dawning,
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever
lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening
comes:

You're rich in love, and you're slow
to anger,
your name is great, and your heart
is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on
singing,
ten thousand reasons for my heart
to find.

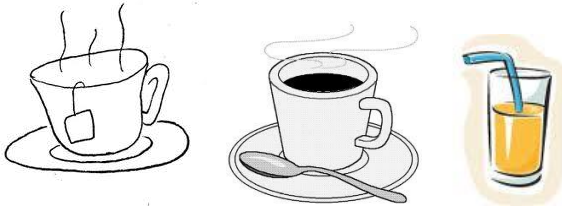
And on that day when my strength
is failing,
the end draws near and my time has
come.
Still my soul will sing your praise
unending,
ten thousand years and then
forevermore:

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship Your Holy name.
I'll worship Your Holy name.
Yes, I will worship your holy name.*

The Blessing

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 South Transept of the church after this Service.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 21st July 2024

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church
10.30 NB Time Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed).

Special Preacher – The Rev. Canon Paul Willoughby (Rector of Booterstown and Carysfort 1992-1994)

Sunday 28th July 2024

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church
10.30 NB Time Service of the Word in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed).

Services in August 2024

8.30 and 10.30 – Venues to be confirmed

Wednesdays in July and August 2023

As announced

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

is on a break and will resume on

Tuesday 6th August 2024

3.30pm—4.10pm

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

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Autumn Fair

**Saturday 12th October
2024**



MOUNT MERRION

**SELECT VESTRY
MEETING**

**MONDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER
2024**

**19.30 HOURS IN ST THOMAS'
CHURCH**

HERITAGE WEEK

Both Select Vestries have decided to open the churches during Heritage Week to facilitate people popping in to see inside both churches. Volunteers to be present in the churches for those times would be appreciated.

St Philip and St James' Church

Sunday 18 August 2024 12pm-3pm.

Thursday 22 August 2024 5pm-8pm

St Thomas' Church

Friday 23 August 2024 - evening – time to be confirmed

BOOTERSTOWN AND

CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY

**WEDNESDAY 28TH AUGUST
2024**

19.30 HOURS

***IN ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES'
CHURCH***



150th Anniversary Celebrations Meeting

**open to all to discuss
ideas and events**

St Thomas' Church

**Monday 16th September
2024
7.30pm**