

#### **Face Masks**

As per government guidelines, please wear a face covering in church. Those who are leading/reading at the service may remove their face covering whilst they are leading/reading but must observe social-distancing whilst doing so.

### **Contact Tracing**

We are obliged to get the contact details of everyone who attends this service. These will only be used in the event of someone attending the service being diagnosed with Covid-19, in which event, they will be passed to the health authorities for Contact Tracing purposes. Please complete the form which is available at the church doors and drop into the box provided. If they are not required for Contact Tracing purposes, they will be destroyed after 28 days.

## **Hymn Singing**

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we are not permitted to sing in church this morning. Charles Pearson, our organist, is going to play the tune of the hymns chosen for this service and I invite you to reflect upon the words which have been included in this service sheet as you listen to the music.

## Greeting

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

# Hymn No. 318 (Abbot's Leigh)

Father, Lord of all creation, ground of being, life and love; height and depth beyond description only life in you can prove: you are mortal life's dependence: thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;

yours is every hour's existence, sovereign Lord of time and space.

Jesus Christ, the Man for others, we, your people, make our prayer: help us love - as sisters, brothers - all whose burdens we can share. Where your name binds us together you, Lord Christ, will surely be; where no selfishness can sever where your love the world may see.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning wind and flame of Pentecost, fire our hearts afresh with yearning to regain what we have lost. may your love unite our action, nevermore to speak alone: God, in us abolish faction, God, through us your love make known.

## 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.

(Please sit or kneel)

## 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. Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace.

(Silence)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed,

and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. 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.

Gloria – we are omitting the Gloria as we are required to keep the service as short as possible

# THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

# The Collect of the 1st Sunday after Trinity

God,
the strength of all those who put
their trust in you:
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of
our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your
commandments
we may please you, both in will and
deed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 432 (Cresswell)

[Verses 1-4]

Amen.

Love is his word, love is his way, feasting with friends, fasting alone, living and dying, rising again, love, only love is his way:

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord,

better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his way, love is his mark, sharing his last Passover feast.

Christ at this table, host to the twelve,

love, only love is his mark:

Love is his mark, love is his sign, bread for our strength, wine for our joy,

'This is my body, this is my blood' - love, only love, is his sign:

Love is his sign, love is his news, 'Do this, he said, 'lest you forget all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood'

love, only love, is his news:



(Please stand, if you are able)

# The Holy Gospel - Mark 3: 20-35

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Mark, chapter 3, beginning at verse 20.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. 21When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' 22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said. 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' 23 And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— <sup>30</sup>for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'
31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' <sup>33</sup>And he replied, 'Who are my

mother and my brothers?' <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# Hymn No. 432 (Cresswell)

[Verses 5-7]

Love is his news, love is his name, we are his own, chosen and called, sisters and brothers, parents and kin, love, only love, is his name:

Richer than gold is the love of my Lord, better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his name, love is his law, hear his command, all who are his: 'Love one another, I have loved you' love, only love, is his law:

Love is his law, love is his word: love of the Lord, Father and Word, love of the Spirit, God, ever one, love, only love, is his word:

#### The Sermon

(Please stand)

## 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.



Intercessions (Please kneel or sit)
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we are not permitted to share a sign of peace in the way that we usually would... maybe a smile or a wave would be good!



(Please stand)

## The Peace

Jesus said, A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

John 13: 34

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

# Offertory Hymn No. 662 (Monks Gate (1))

Version 1

Those who would valour see, let them come hither; one here will constant be, come wind, come weather; there's no discouragement shall make me once relent my first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

Those who beset me round with dismal stories do but themselves confound; my strength the more is. No lion can affright; I'll with a giant fight; but I will have a right to be a pilgrim.

No evil ghost or fiend can daunt my spirit;
I know that at the end
I'll life inherit.
Then fancies fly away;

whatever others say, I'll labour night and day to be a pilgrim.

# THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

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

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, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places, it is right to give you thanks and praise: and so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, 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!

(Please feel free to stand, sit or kneel) Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image; male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us: he made there the one complete and allsufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

precious death until he comes again:

In the same way, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son

#### commanded:

we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer



# Breaking of the Bread

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

We being many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

## **Invitation**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and in the interests of having as little movement of the congregation as possible, please remain in your seat to receive Holy Communion.

#### The Communion



### The Great Silence

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

# The Post Communion Prayer

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts.
May our communion strengthen us in
faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.

# The Blessing

# Hymn No. 429 (Living Lord)

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
you are one with us,
Mary's son
cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring your love and goodness in;
Jesus, our love for your we sing,
living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
now and every day
teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
you have commanded us to do
this, in remembrance, Lord of you;
into our lives your power breaks
through,
Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have come to us,
born as one of us,
Mary's son sent out to die on Calvary,
risen from death to set us free;
living Lord Jesus, help us see
you are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
we would come to you,
live our lives for you,
Son of God;
all your commands we know are true,
your many gifts will make us new;

into our lives your power breaks through, living Lord.

## The Dismissal

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.

# **MindMattersCOI**

The MindMatters COI Mental Health Awareness Survey is an opportunity for members and clergy of the Church to be part of the project by helping us understand how the Church of Ireland can promote positive mental health.

The Church of Ireland began a three-year mental health promotion initiative in October 2020. This initiative aims to

raise awareness of, and respond to the mental health needs of communities across the island of Ireland.

As part of this initiative, laity and clergy are being asked to take part in a mental health survey before Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>
June 2021 – your participation would be very much appreciated.

https://mindmatters.ireland. anglican.org

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# CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

via Zoom

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm

Contact Irene on 087-2755423 irene.reid1052@gmail.com

The sense of peace and calm is wonderful.

# Thank You!

Thank you to Canon Aisling Shine who took the services last Sunday and to Canon Roy Byrne who provided pastoral cover for the parishes whilst I was away.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021
St Thomas' Church at 10.30

Midweek Holy Communion

Service



Bring your own mug for a cuppa afterwards!

# **BOOTERSTOWN AND**

**CARYSFORT** 

SELECT VESTRY
WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE
2021
20.00 HOURS
VIA ZOOM

# **MOUNT MERRION**

SELECT VESTRY
MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021
20.00 HOURS
VIA ZOOM