Face Masks

As per government guidelines, please wear a face mask, covering your nose and your mouth, 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. People may also remove their face mask whilst receiving Holy Communion but must replace it immediately afterwards.

Contact Tracing

As everyone has had to book in for this service, we have contact details for each pod, therefore we do not require you to fill in the Contact Details Forms for this service. Your contact details will only be given to the HSE Contact Tracing Service in the event that they are requested should anyone test positive for COVID-19.

If they are not required for Contact Tracing purposes, they will be destroyed after 28 days.

<u>Singing</u>

We have been instructed that while choirs can sing as long as they are socially distanced from each other and that children's choirs operate in pods, that the members of the congregation are not to sing, shout, chant or raise their voices to each other!

Over the past few weeks, there has been some 'musical muttering into masks'!
Every pod is socially-distanced.



The Greeting

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

Hymn No. 3 (Abbot's Leigh)

[Verses 1-2]

God is love: let heaven adore him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heavens above,
he who breathes through all creation,
he is love, eternal love.

God is love, and is enfolding all the world in one embrace; his unfailing grasp is holding every child of every race; and when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that self-same aching deep within the heart of God.

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.

(Please sit or kneel)

(Silence)

The Penitential Kyries for Epiphany God be merciful to us and bless us, and make his face shine on us. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on earth, your saving power to all nations. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations.

Lord, have mercy.

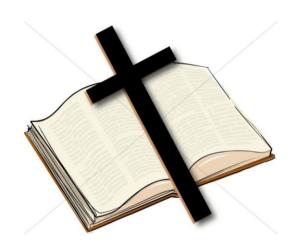
Lord, have mercy.

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

The Collect of the Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 3 (Abbot's Leigh)

[Verse 3]

God is love: and though with blindness sin afflicts and clouds the will, God's eternal loving-kindness holds us fast and guides us still.

Sin and death and hell shall never

o'er us final triumph gain; God is love, so love for ever o'er the universe must reign.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel - John 2: 1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John, chapter 2, beginning at verse 1.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

20n the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' 4 And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' 5 His mother said to the servants. 'Do whatever he tells you.' 6 Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. 8He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. 9When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first. and then the inferior wine after the

guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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 sit]

Time of Silence for Reflection and a Time of Remembrance for Ashling Murphy and all who have died from violent crime.

[Silence]

Musical Reflection played by Charles
Pearson

A Gaelic Blessing

[Music by John Rutter]

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the gentle night to you.

Moon and stars pour healing light on you.

Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you.



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 if you are able]

The Introduction to the Peace for Epiphany

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end. cf Isaiah 9: 6,7

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions we will be having a retiring collection; there are baskets at the doors of the church in which you may place your collection or envelope. You may wish to donate to the church online or electronically and the treasurers would be happy to give you the required details.

Offertory Hymn - Hymn No. 346 (Angel voices)

[Verses 1-2]

Angel voices, ever singing round thy throne of light; angel harps, for ever ringing, rest nor day nor night; thousands only live to bless thee, and confess thee, Lord of might.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest o'er each work of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design; craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.

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

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

The Communion

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 Great Silence

A time for reflection

The Post Communion Prayer
God of glory,
you nourish us with bread from
heaven.

Fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory

may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing for Epiphany

Christ the Son be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world: and the Blessing ...

Hymn No. 346 (Angel voices)

[Verses 3-4]

In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to thee; and for thine acceptance proffer, all unworthily, hearts and minds, and hands and voices, in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit, thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, blessèd Trinity. of the best that thou hast given, earth and heaven render thee.

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.

Wednesday 19th January 2022 St Thomas' Church at 10.30

Midweek Holy Communion Service



Bring your own mug for a cuppa afterwards!

Sunday 23rd January 2022 8.30 Holy Communion - St Thomas' Church

10.30 Service of the Word and Holy Baptism - St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed)

Confirmation Class

The next Confirmation Classes will be on Saturday 22nd January 2022 in St Philip and St James' Church18.00-18.30 hours and 18.30-19.15 hours

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

via Zoom

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm For Zoom details, please contact Irene on 087-2755423

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REGISTER OF VESTRYPERSONS

The Register of Vestrypersons is the electoral roll of the Parish, and is updated at the January Select Vestry meetings of our respective parishes.

If you are not on the Register, you are not entitled to vote on parish matters and are not able to hold any office in the parish, or serve on the Select Vestry. Please contact the Churchwardens to be placed on the Register of Vestrypersons.

It is very simple to do, the churchwardens have forms available, and all you have to do is fill in the short, simple form and give it to a churchwarden.

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY
THURSDAY 27TH JANUARY 2022
20.00 HOURS VIA ZOOM

MOUNT MERRION

SELECT VESTRY
Monday 31st January 2022
20.00 Hours *via Zoom*