

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.

**Opening Hymn - Hymn No. 532
(Monk's Gate)**

Who are we who stand and sing?
We are God's people.
What this bread and wine we bring?
Food for God's people.
As once with twelve Christ spake,
poured wine, and bread did break;
he now of us will make
a faithful people.

What command does Christ impart
to us his people?
Soul and strength and mind and heart;
serve me, my people.
As he in love, came low,
our world and work to know;
to life he bids us go
to be his people.

Who are we who say one creed?
We are God's people.
What the word we hear and read?
Word of God's people.
Through time, in every race,
from earth to farthest space,
We'll be, with Christ's good grace,
a faithful people.

(Please stand)

Collect for Purity

***Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are
hidden;
cleans 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 Collect of the 16th Sunday
after Trinity**

O Lord,
hear the prayers of your people who
call upon you;
and grant that they may both
perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power
faithfully to fulfil them;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

**The Gradual Hymn - Blessed is the
Man - Psalm 1** [Verses 1-2]

Blessed is the man, the man who does
not walk
in the counsel of the ungodly -
blessed is that man.
He who rejects the way, rejects the
way of sin
and who turns away from scoffing -
blessed is that man.
But his delight - by day and night -
is the law of God Almighty.

He is like a tree - a tree that
flourishes
being planted by the water - blessed
is that man.
He will bring forth fruit - his leaf will
wither not -
for in all he does he prospers -
blessed is that man.
For his delight - by day and night -
is the law of God Almighty.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel - Mark 9: 30-37

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to
Mark, chapter 9, beginning at verse 30.*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

30 They went on from there and
passed through Galilee. He did not
want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was
teaching his disciples, saying to them,
'The Son of Man is to be betrayed
into human hands, and they will kill
him, and three days after being killed,
he will rise again.' ³²But they did not
understand what he was saying and
were afraid to ask him.

33 Then they came to Capernaum; and
when he was in the house he asked
them, 'What were you arguing about
on the way?' ³⁴But they were silent,
for on the way they had argued with
one another about who was the
greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the
twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever
wants to be first must be last of all
and servant of all.' ³⁶Then he took a
little child and put it among them; and
taking it in his arms, he said to
them, ³⁷'Whoever welcomes one such
child in my name welcomes me, and
whoever welcomes me welcomes not
me but the one who sent me.'

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

(Please sit)

The Gradual Hymn - Blessed is the Man - Psalm 1 *[Verses 3-4]*

The ungodly are not so - for they are like the chaff which the wind blows clean away - the ungodly are not so.

The ungodly will not stand - upon the judgement day nor belong to God's own people - the ungodly will not stand. But God knows the way of righteous men and ungodly ways will perish.

Blessed is the man, the man who does not walk in the counsel of the ungodly - blessed is that man.

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, 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 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.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



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.

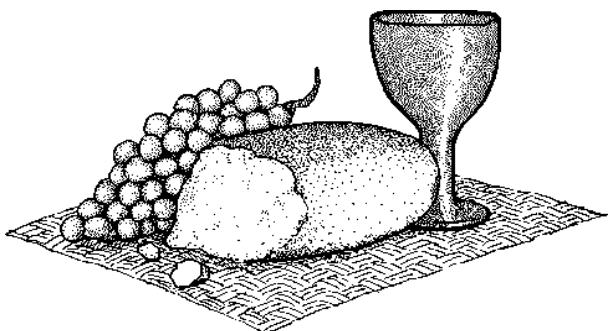
Offertory Hymn - Hymn No. 399 (Folksong)

An upper room did our Lord prepare
for those he loved until the end:
and his disciples still gather there
to celebrate their Risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own:
to share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down,
he by his Cross shall lift us up.

And after Supper, he washed their
feet
for service, too, is sacrament.
In him our joy shall be made complete
-
sent out to serve, as he was sent.

No end there is! We depart in peace,
he loves beyond our uttermost:
in every room in our Father's house
he will be there, as Lord and host.



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.**

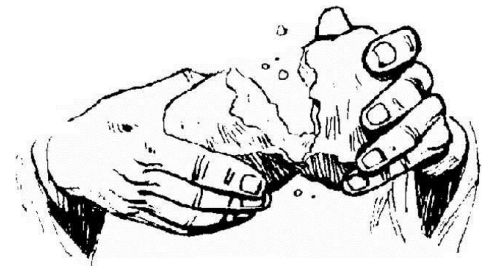
**Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest!

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

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



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

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. Everyone is very welcome 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

*God of mercy,
through our sharing in this holy sacrament
you make us one body in Christ.
Fashion us in his likeness here on earth,
that we may share his glorious company in heaven,
where he lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen*

The Blessing

Hymn No. 228 (Meekness and majesty)

Meekness and majesty,
manhood and deity,

in perfect harmony -
the man who is God:
Lord of eternity
dwells in humanity,
kneels in humility
and washes our feet.

*O what a mystery -
meekness and majesty:
bow down and worship,
for this is your God,
this is your God!*

Father's pure radiance,
perfect in innocence,
yet learns obedience
to death on a cross:
suffering to give us life,
conquering through sacrifice -
and, as they crucify,
prays, 'Father, forgive'.

Wisdom unsearchable,
God the invisible,
love indestructible
in frailty appears:
Lord of infinity,
stooping so tenderly,
lifts our humanity
to the heights of his throne.

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.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

via Zoom

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm

Contact Irene on 087-2755423

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Services next Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

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

MOUNT MERRION

SELECT VESTRY

MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

2021

20.00 HOURS

VIA ZOOM

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY

THURSDAY 7TH OCTOBER

2021

20.00 HOURS

VIA ZOOM



No PJ's Autumn Fair this year

The Select Vestry of Booterstown and Carysfort Parish has decided to cancel the Autumn Fair, which had been scheduled for Saturday 16th October 2021 due to the ongoing restrictions and the high numbers of COVID-19 cases.

It is planned to have a smaller, alternative event before Christmas, restrictions-permitting.

Update on COVID-19 Restrictions

Dear all,

The Archbishop of Dublin received clarification from the Department of An Taoiseach with relation to Religious

Ceremonies, and his secretary forwarded it to clergy today. Please see text in blue below.

As social distancing is still in force, the increase to 50% of venue capacity is subject to that, and therefore, the numbers that we are able to accommodate in either of our churches remains the same. Hopefully, the lifting of further restrictions, which the government's roadmap intends to happen on 22nd October 2021, will enable us to make some progress. However, the priority is people's safety and wellbeing.

Kind regards,
Gillian

*This clarifies that services can proceed with up to 50% capacity subject to appropriate protective measures (social distancing, hand sanitising, masks etc) from **6th September**.*

Please also note that as no updates in relation to singing have been received the following guidance from the HPSC still applies [Link](#)

'Indoor congregational singing should be avoided due to the increased risk of COVID-19 transmission to other people present at the service. Therefore, it is important that the congregation is made aware that they should not sing along with the singers or other instrumental music.'