We are still awaiting further advice from the government regarding what is meant by the continuation of all protective measures for religious worship, so until we receive those details, we are required to continue with such things as social distancing, contact tracing, etc.

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

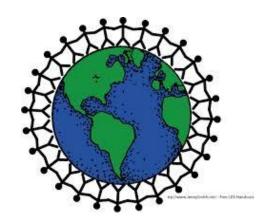
We are obliged to get the contact details of everyone who attends this service. These will only be used in the event of someone attending the service being diagnosed with Covid-19, in which event, they will be passed to the health authorities for Contact Tracing purposes. Please complete the form which 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.

Singing

We are also still awaiting an update on COVID-19 restrictions with regard to congregational singing. Over the past few weeks, there has been some 'musical muttering into masks'! The 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.

The Gathering of God's People

The Lord be with you and also with you.



Opening Hymn No. 496 (Alleluia, dulce Carmen)

[Verses 1-2]

For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord, for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords. To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.

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.

We have come too, this morning, to remember those who gave their lives in the service of others. But first let us prepare to receive of God's grace through worship, by bringing before God those things that burden us...

the sin and shortcomings of the world..

its pride, selfishness, its greed...
its evil divisions and hatreds...
Let us confess our share in what is
wrong, and our failure to seek and
establish that peace which God wills
for his children.

[Please kneel or sit]

A Confession for Remembrance Sunday

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, our heavenly Father, 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]

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.

Hymn No. 496 (Alleluia, dulce Carmen) [Verses 3-4]

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned:

pride of status, race or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan. In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator-God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind; that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

[Please sit]

The Old Testament - Isaiah 2: 1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains.

and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

3 Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

4 He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruninghooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

5 O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Here ends the Old Testament Reading.

Hymn No. 666 (Finlandia)

[Verses 1-2]

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;

bear patiently the cross of grief and pain;

leave to thy God to order and provide;

in every change he faithful will remain.

Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake

to guide the future as he has the past.

Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;

all now mysterious shall be bright at last.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

[Please sit]

<u>The New Testament Reading -</u> John 15: 9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

12 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you

these commands so that you may love one another.

Here ends the New Testament Reading.

Hymn No. 666 (Finlandia)

Verses 3-4

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart, and all is darkened in the vale of tears, then shalt thou better know his love, his heart, who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.

Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay, from his own fullness, all he takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord, when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.

Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessèd we shall meet at last.

[Please stand, if you are able]

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God. the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ. God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried: he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father. and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.



[Please stand]

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 far away places and on this island.

Silence

We remember all who died in World War One...
no one side had a monopoly on grief..

no one side had a monopoly on grief... the loss of life was unimaginable... loss of life in the armed forces... loss of life of civilians...

Those whose family members are here...

Those whose families came here to pray for their husbands, fathers, brothers, sons, uncles, nephews... and daughters, sisters, aunts and nieces, who served in the nursing corps...

On the Sunday nearest the 100th anniversary of their deaths, we have remembered forty-two young people from our three parishes of Booterstown, Carysfort and Mount Merrion, who died in World War One...

St Philip and St James' Church

Benjamin George Beatty Godfrey Bingham Walter Blackwell John MacDonald Bradley Douglas P.C. Cole-Baker Arthur N. Callaghan L. Wilfrid Callaghan V.A. Butler Cranwill Arthur Crawford William R. Crawford Louis Godfrey Doran

Robert Victor Drought Guy W. Eaton Arnold L. Fletcher Donald L. Fletcher Geoffrey M. Fleming Sydney G. Hannam Eric W. Harris John Frederick Healy Robert Ernest Lee Joseph Bagnall Lee Thomas C. Mainwaring Thomas A.E. Morton James N.H. Murphy Frederick H. Norway Walter L. Prentice Donald Seymour Smyth Mervyn J. Williams J. Vernon Y. Willington Arthur C. Winser

Christ Church Carysfort

John Charles Bishop John H.F. Leland Charles Linton Thomas McCormick T. Frood Perrin Joseph A. Poulton Philip Addison Purser

St Thomas' Church

John Arnott William Magee Crozier Lucas H. St. Aubyn King Florence Balfour Olphert Percival St. George Charles Westby

Poppy crosses have been placed at the War Memorial.



They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn, at the going down of the sun and in the morning:

We will remember them.

Lawrence Binyon

We will remember them.

Silence

Kohima

When you go home tell them of us and say For your tomorrow we gave our today.

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace is played as we reflect quietly... you might like to read the poem, In Flanders Fields as you reflect...

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD 1872-1918



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 who 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 2nd Sunday before Advent

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
Grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for use at Morning Prayer
O Lord, our heavenly Father,
almighty and everliving God,
we give you thanks for bringing us
safely to this day:
keep us from falling into sin or
running into danger,
and in all things guide us to know
and do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Prayers

Hymn No. 537 (St. Anne)

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away;

we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

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.

Hymn - Let Streams of Living Justice Flow Down Upon the Earth

(Thaxted) Words: William Whitla (1934 -)

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth; give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth. The hungrys' hands are pleading, the workers' claim their rights, the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight. Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power, abolish ancient vengeance, proclaim your people's hour.

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end, for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.

Weave our varied gifts together, knit our lives as they are spun; on your loom of time enrol us till our thread of life is run.

O great Weaver of the fabric, bind church and world in one; dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.

Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek; your harmony is language: we are the words you speak.

Our faith we find in service, our hope in others' dreams, our love in hand of neighbour: our home land brightly gleams.

Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way - the path untried;

your truth - the heart of stranger, your life - the Crucified.

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.



On the parishes' Facebook pages, I have shared the 36th and 37th Midweek Musical Treats from last year.

The 36th Midweek Musical Treat is Nimrod by Elgar and the 37th Midweek Musical Treat is Finlandia by Jean Sibelius.

Both Midweek Musical Treats contain footage from The Irish National War Memorial Gardens at Islandbridge and of the photographs that we have of the thirty-five of the forty-two young people from our parishes who died in World War 1; and of some reenactments of World War One that were staged during the 100th anniversary.



Remembering Loved Ones...

1st November is All Saints' Day and 2nd November is All Souls' Day; it is a time when people particularly remember those who are in God's nearer presence. I suggested that people could send in the name(s) of those whom they would like to remember and that we would light a candle for each of them. We did this on Sunday 7th November 2021 and we are also doing it on Sunday 21st November 2021.

There are also two large candles on the altar/communion rails: one for those loved ones who wanted to remember privately without any names being mentioned; and one for those who have died from COVID-19.

If you would like someone to be remembered by the lighting of a candle at our live—streamed service at 10.30 on Sunday 21st November 2021, please let me know by **12.00** midday on Saturday 20th November 2021.

In Christ, the bond of love is never broken.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

in the Canon Osborne Barr Room
Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—
4.10pm

Contact Irene on 087-2755423 <u>irene.reid1052@gmail.com</u>

Wednesday 17th November 2021
St Thomas' Church at 10.30

Midweek Holy Communion Service



Bring your own mug for a cuppa afterwards!

Services next Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Service of Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

(live-streamed)

Healer Prayer Group

Monday 22nd November 2021 19.00-19.30 on Zoom

MOUNT MERRION

SELECT VESTRY
MONDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2021
20.00 HOURS VIA ZOOM

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY
TUESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2021
20.00 HOURS VIA ZOOM



Confirmation Class

18.00 Saturday in The Canon Osborne Barr Room St Philip and St James' Parish Centre



PJ's Christmas Coffee Morning and Mini Fair with Raffle and Santa Claus

Saturday 4th December 2021 10.30-12.30 St Philip and St James'

Parish Centre

Stalls include:
Cakes and Home-baked Goods,
Christmas, Gifts,
Jams and Marmalades, Books,
Bottles,
Plants and Garden,
Treasure Hunt and Games

Visit Santa



We would really appreciate two homebaked items from every household. If you knit, we have patterns for mini novelty Christmas knits, which would be great for the Christmas Stall!

