



Face Masks

The wearing of face masks is no longer mandated by the government. However, people may feel more comfortable wearing a mask and especially for singing, which we really appreciate being able to do again.

Social Distancing

Social- distancing is no longer required, and we have removed our seating plans in both churches. However, a number of people have indicated that they would still like to have a little space, so please respect others' need for space.

Heating Installation and Interior Works to St Philip and St James' Church

As you can see, we have started! It has been in the pipeline (pun intended!) for at least 18 years, and at long last, it is happening! Please bear with us as the works progress.

The Greeting

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

*There are, at least, three tunes for this hymn, two of which are better known. This morning, we are having one tune now – a hymn tune called **Missionary** - for the first two verses and the other*

tune at the end of the service for the last three verses!

Hymn No. 593 (Missionary)

[Verses 1-2]

*O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend.
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway,
if thou wilt be my guide.*

*O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.*

*O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will.
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control:
O speak and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.*

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.*

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]

***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 - Hymn No. 197 Thanks and Praise (Taizé) *[Sing twice!]*

*(1) Gloria, gloria (2) in excelsis Deo!
 (3) Gloria, gloria, (4) alleluia, alleluia.*

**THE MINISTRY OF THE
 WORD**

The Collect of the 12th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear
than we to pray
and to give more than either we
desire, or deserve:
Pour down upon us the abundance of
your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our
conscience is afraid,
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
save through the merits and
mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
Amen.

The First Reading – Philemon 1-21

*The first reading is from the Letter to Philemon,
beginning at verse 1.*

1 Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and
Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-
worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to
Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to
the church in your house:
3 Grace to you and peace from God
our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 When I remember you in my
prayers, I always thank my
God ⁵because I hear of your love for
all the saints and your faith towards
the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the
sharing of your faith may become
effective when you perceive all the

good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I
have indeed received much joy and
encouragement from your love,
because the hearts of the saints have
been refreshed through you, my
brother.

8 For this reason, though I am bold
enough in Christ to command you to do
your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal
to you on the basis of love—and I,
Paul, do this as an old man, and now
also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I
am appealing to you for my child,
Onesimus, whose father I have
become during my
imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was
useless to you, but now he is indeed
useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am
sending him, that is, my own heart,
back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him
with me, so that he might be of
service to me in your place during my
imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I
preferred to do nothing without your
consent, in order that your good deed
might be voluntary and not something
forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he
was separated from you for a while,
so that you might have him back for
ever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but as
more than a slave, a beloved brother—
especially to me but how much more
to you, both in the flesh and in the
Lord.

17 So if you consider me your partner,
welcome him as you would welcome
me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any

way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139 – Hymn No. 110 Thanks and Praise

O God, you search me and you know me:
all my thoughts lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising,
you discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
in every moment of life and death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:

God of my present, my past and future, too.

Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light;
there is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb;
for the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel – Luke 14: 25-33

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to Luke, chapter 14, beginning at verse 25.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has

laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

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 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, it is felt that we should
continue to refrain from shaking hands as a
sign of peace... maybe a smile or a wave
would be good!*



(Please stand, if you are able)

The Introduction to 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.

*We are continuing to be cautious regarding
Covid-19, and therefore, we will not be
passing around baskets for the collection.
Instead, 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. Thank you to those*

who give via online banking. If you wish to donate to the church online or electronically, the treasurers would be happy to give you the required details.

Offertory Hymn - Hymn No. 517
(Servant Song)

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
 let me be as Christ to you.
 Pray that I may have the grace to
 let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
 and companions on the road;
 we are here to help each other
 walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
 in the night-time of your fear;
 I will hold my hand out to you,
 speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
 when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
 I will share your joy and sorrow
 till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
 we shall find such harmony,
 born of all we've known together
 of Christ's love and agony.

Won't you let me be your servant,
 let me be as Christ to you?
 Pray that I may have the grace to
 let you be my servant, too.

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, forever
 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 all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again:

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.

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

In the interests of keeping people as safe as possible, Holy Communion is administered via individual cups in wooden blocks. If you did not pick up a little wooden block with the little cups containing consecrated bread and wine, as you came into the church,

*please go to the nearest door and take one.
You will then give yourself Holy Communion
at the appropriate time.*

The Communion



The Great Silence

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

The Post Communion Prayer

***God of compassion,
in this eucharist we know again your
forgiveness
and the healing power of your love.
Grant that we who are made whole
in Christ
may bring that forgiveness and
healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.***

The Blessing

**Hymn No. 593 (Hatherop Castle) -
NB different tune!** *[Verses 4-5]*

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,

that where thou art in glory,
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone.
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

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.

Sunday 11th September 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas'
Church

10.00 Morning Prayer in St Thomas'
Church

11.00 Morning Prayer in St Philip and
St James' Church

Sunday 18th September 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.00 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

Sunday 25th September 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Service to mark the start of the school year in St Philip and St James' Church

Sunday Clubs

We are working towards re-opening the Sunday Clubs this autumn. We are looking for people to join the team of leaders so that the responsibility can be shared and is, therefore, not too onerous on any individual. We are particularly looking for male leaders in order to have a gender balance amongst the leaders. Thank you to those who have volunteered so far and who will be undergoing Garda vetting, Safeguarding Trust training. If you would like to find out more about helping, please contact the Rector.

Autumn Fair Meeting

There will be a meeting on

Wednesday 21st

September 2022 at

7.30pm via Zoom.

St Philip and St James' Autumn Fair

Saturday 8th October 2022

12.00-15.00



The Autumn Fair will be upon us before we know it!!!

We need everyone to help!

The installation of a new and much-needed heating system in the church and accessibility alteration works are nearly completed, and the Autumn Fair will be a major fundraiser for that project so all hands are required 'on deck'!!! We need it to be bumper in spirit and fun, bumper in building and celebrating community, bumper in bargains and support!

We need lots of items for the various stalls: Cakes, Biscuits, Tray Bakes, Scones, Bread, etc., Bags, Belts, Jewellery, Books, Plants, Jams, Marmalades, Unwanted Gifts, Bottles, Toys, Bric-a-Brac etc.

For the Cakes/Deli and Household Stalls, we would appreciate if each

***family could cook, or
donate, two items.
But don't limit your cooking
skills...
these stalls always sell out
fast!***

Mount Merrion

**Select Vestry Strategy Evening
Wednesday 28th September 2022
19.00 hours
in St Thomas' Church**

Healer Prayer Group

**Monday 10th October 2022
19.00 hours via Zoom
Zoom details will be issued on Sunday
9th October 2022**

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

**SELECT VESTRY
TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022
19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM**

**MOUNT MERRION
SELECT VESTRY MEETING
MONDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2022
20.00 HOURS VIA ZOOM**

History of the Parishes

Michael Lee is compiling a history of our
parishes for our forthcoming
celebrations in 2024:

2021 - 200th anniversary of the
foundation of the Parish of Booterstown
2024 - 200th anniversary of the
consecration of St Philip and St James'
Church
2024 – 150th anniversary of the
consecration of St Thomas' Church
2026 - 200th anniversary of the
foundation of Booterstown National
School

Mike has interviewed some of the
parishioners of both churches, about
their memories, stories and experience
but he really would like more stories and
photographs if you have them. *"Do not
think that your story is not interesting
enough, all will help make up the
wonderful different strands that will
enrich the colourful weave of the story
of these historic churches."*

*Please email your story/stories, or
contact Mike at mikelee2653@gmail.com*

Monkstown Schoolhouse Auction

A special fundraising Auction in aid of the
Monkstown Schoolhouse Restoration
Appeal will take place on Friday 16
September at 7:30pm in Monkstown Parish
Church. Viewing will take place on Thursday
15 September from 2pm to 4pm and from
7pm to 9pm and on Friday 16 September
from 2pm to 4pm. Lots include antiques,
paintings, books, silver, jewelry, collectables
and treasures of every description. Please
do come along and support us as we
continue our restoration of the historic
1791 schoolhouse in the grounds of the
church.