Fáilte

(Please stand, if you are able)

<u>The Gathering of God's People –</u> <u>Beannachtaí</u> Grásta agus trócaire agus síocháin ó Dhia ár nAthair agus ó Íosa Críost ár dTiarna, go raibh libh go léir **agus leat féin**.

<u>Welcome and Greeting</u> Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all *and also with you.*

<u>Opening Responses</u> Wise God, jealous and holy, your love brings us truth.

Wise God, just and joyful, your stories bring us hope.

Wise God, wakeful and surprising, your breath brings us life.

<u>Hymn No. 343 (Quam dilecta)</u>

We love the place, O God, in which your honour dwells, the joy of your abode all earthly joy excels. It is the house of prayer, where we your people meet, and you, our Lord are there your chosen flock to greet.

We love the font, for there new life in Christ begins; it speaks of your great care, of cleansing from our sins.

We love the word of life, the word that tells of peace, of comfort in the strife, and joys that never cease.

We love your table, Lord no place on earth so dear; for there, in faith adored, we find your presence near.

We love to sing below of mercies freely given; but O, we long to know the triumph-song of heaven.

Lord Jesus, give us grace, on earth to love your more, in heaven to see your face and with your saints adore.

(Please remain standing, if you are able)

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]

The Penitential Kyries for Lent

In the wilderness we find your grace:

you love us with an everlasting love. A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

There is none but you to uphold our cause;

our sin cries out and our guilt is great.

A Chríost, déan trócaire.

A Chríost, déan trócaire.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Heal us, O Lord, and we shall be healed;

restore us and we shall know your joy.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*

The Absolution

The Gloria – we omit the Gloria during Advent and Lent

The Collect of the 3rd Sunday in Lent

A Thiarna, achainímid ort do ghrásta a thabhairt do do phobal chun seasamh in aghaidh cathuithe an tsaoil, na colainne, agus an diabhail agus chun go leana siad tusa, an t-aon Dia amháin,

go glanchroíoch, glanaigeanta; trí Íosa Críost ár dTiarna. *Áiméan.*

Merciful Lord,

grant your people grace to withstand the temptations

of the world, the flesh and the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD



The First Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

The first reading is from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians, chapter 1, beginning at verse 18.

18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,

and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom.²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

(Please stand, if you are able)

<u>The Gradual Hymn – Hymn No. 17</u> (Lead me Lord)

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face. For it is thou Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Treoraigh mé, treoraigh mé, a Thiarna,

go siúlad ar bhóthar firéantachta Dé. Foilsigh an tslí romham, óir níl ann, a Thiarna,

ach tusa amháin a choimeádann slán mé.

(Please remain standing, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel: John 2: 13–22 Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John, chapter 2, beginning at verse 13.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!' ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' ¹⁹Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' ²⁰The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

The Sermon

(Please stand, if you are able)

<u>The Nicene Creed (shortened version)</u> 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)



<u>Intercessions</u> Lord, in your mercy: *hear our prayer*.

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

Please feel free to share the sign of peace in a manner that you and the person you are sharing the peace with are comfortable... it may be that a smile or a wave might be more appropriate than a handshake!



(Please stand, if you are able)

<u>The Introduction to the Peace for</u> <u>Lent</u>

De bhrí go bhfuil muid firéanaithe ag an chreideamh,

tá síocháin againn le Dia trínár dTiarna Íosa Críost. Rómh 5: 1,2

Go raibh síocháin an Tiarna libh i gcónaí:

agus leat féin.

Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans5: 1, 2

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

<u>Offertory Hymn - Hymn No. 10</u> (Michael)

All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew. Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust; what with care and toil is builded, tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power hour by hour is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought; splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth the almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all; ye who follow shall not fall.

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 1

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: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to overcome all our temptations:

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 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. <u>The Breaking of the Bread</u> 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.



The Invitation

It is the custom of the Church of Ireland to welcome to receive Holy Communion, all those who usually receive Holy Communion in their own tradition. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please indicate this to the priest. Please feel free and welcome to do whichever is appropriate for you.

The Communion



The Great Silence

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

<u>The Post Communion Prayer</u> Lord our God, you feed us in this life with bread from heaven, the pledge and foreshadowing of

The Lord's Prayer

Ár nAthair, atá ar neamh go naofar d'ainm. go dtaga do ríocht, go ndéantar do thoil ar talamh mar a dhéantar ar neamh. Ár n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu, agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha, mar a mhaithimidne dár bhféichiúna féin. Agus ná lig sinn i gcathú, ach saor sinn ón olc. Óir is leatsa an ríocht, agus an chumhact, agus an ghlóir, trí shaol na saol. Áiméan.

future glory. Grant that the working of this sacrament within us may bear fruit in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing for Lent

Go dtuga Críost grásta daoibh chun go bhfása sibh in naofacht, go ndiúltaí sibh daoibh féin, agus go dtóga sibh bhur gcros agus go leana sibh é: agus go raibh beannacht Dé uilechumhachtaigh, an tAthair, an Mac, agus an Spiorad Naomh oraibh is in bhur measc i gcónaí. **Áiméan**.

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,

to deny yourselves,

and to take up your cross and follow him: and the Blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn No. 93 (Lord of the dance)

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,

and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,

and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;

at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all wherever you may be,

and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,

but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;

I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;

they came with me and the Dance went on.

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;

the holy people said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,

and they left me there on a Cross to die.

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black -

it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.

They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,

but I am the Dance and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high;

I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me -

I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

<u>The Closing Responses and</u> <u>Dismissal</u>

Teach us truth, gladden our hearts, *circle us with love*.

Trust us with justice, sweeten our days, circle us with love.

Keep us holy, give light to our eyes, *circle us with love*.

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.



You are warmly invited to tea/coffee/juice in the Monk Gibbon Hall after the 9.30 Service in St Thomas' Church and in the South Transept after the 11.00 Service in St Philip and St James' Church.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

<u>Wednesday 6th March 2024</u> 10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

Sunday 10th March 2024

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

9.30 Morning Prayer in St Thomas' Church 11.00 Morning Prayer in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed)

18.30 Sausage Service in St Philip and St James' Church, followed by sausages and wedges



<u>Wednesday 13th March 2024</u> 10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

Sunday 17th March 2024 – St Patrick's Day

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church 9.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church 11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed)

<u>Wednesday 20th March 2024</u> 10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church



Sunday 24th March 2024 – Palm Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Daffodil Service in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed) followed by Daffodil Coffee Morning and Bring-and-Buy in St Philip and St James' Parish Centre.

<u>Holy Week</u>

<u>Monday 25th March</u> 20.00 Evening Service in St Thomas' Church

Tuesday 26th March 2024

20.00 Evening Service in St Philip and St James' Church

Wednesday 27th March 2024

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church 20.00 Evening Service in St Thomas' Church

<u>Thursday 28th March 2024 - Maundy</u> Thursday

20.00 The Last Supper – Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

Friday 29th March 2024 – Good Friday

14.00 Meditation on the Cross in St Thomas' Church
20.00 Ecumenical Prayers at the Cross in St Philip and St James' Church



Sunday 31st March 2024 –

Easter Day

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

9.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed)

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm In the Canon Osborne Barr Room of St Philip and St James' Parish Centre Contact Irene on 087-2755423 <u>irene.reid1052@gmail.com</u>

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY THURSDAY 21st MARCH 2024 19.30 HOURS *IN THE PARISH ROOM (BACK ROOM) OF ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES' PARISH CENTRE*

MOUNT MERRION SELECT VESTRY MEETING MONDAY 8TH APRIL 2024 19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM



Confirmation Class for teenagers

Next class is on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 18.30 St Philip and St James' Church

Confirmation and Enquirers Class for adults is on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 20.15 hours on Zoom



Sunday Clubs

Our Sunday Clubs have had very enjoyable gatherings over the past few months.

St Philp and St James' Sunday will meet on the following dates: Sunday 10th March 2024 Sunday 28th April 2024

Sunday 12th May 2024

St Thomas' Sunday Club will meet on the

following dates: Sunday 21st April 2024 Sunday 12th May 2024

All children who are toilet-trained are



Daffodil Service and Daffodil Coffee Morning with Bring-and-Buy

Sunday 24th March 2024

8.30 United Service of Holy Communion - St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Family Service for Daffodil Day -St Philip and St James' Church

followed by Daffodil Coffee Morning with Bring-and-Buy in St Philip and St James' Parish Centre



Lenten Challenge

Gillian is walking at least 5km every day of Lent 2024.

Wednesday 14th February – Saturday 30th March 2024 This year, I am again walking each day for my physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellbeing and for the victims of the conflict between Palestine and Israel, (channelled through the Bishops' Appeal and to assist with the re-building of Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza which was founded and is managed by the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem (which covers Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon, Syria and Israel, and which treats people of all faiths and none).

You can make a donation by online banking to Booterstown and Mount Merrion Account

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Meeting about the Spring Fling!

Monday 4th March 2024 8pm *on Zoom*



Spring Fling

St Thomas' Church

BBQ, Books, Cakes & Deli, Plant Stall, Handmade Cards

Raffle and more!

Tea & Coffee Served

Saturday 27th April 2024

12.00pm - 3.00 pm