



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

We have completed the first phase of the works. The new heating system has been installed and the accessibility works have been done. We still have more work to do but we have more funds to raise!

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. 330 (Abbot's Leigh)

[Verses 1 and 2]

*God is here! As we his people
meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure
what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of his Spirit
into open minds and hearts*

*Here are symbols to remind us
of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font and pulpit;
here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching,
here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal,
God the Spirit comes to each.*

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,*

Thank You!

**Welcome and thank you to
The Rev. Canon Kevin Brew
who is very kindly taking the
services, this morning.**

Thank you, Kevin!

*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. 355 (Holy is the Lord) [Verse 4 only]

Glory, glory, glory to the Lord;
glory to the Lord God almighty!
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord;
glory to the Lord God almighty!
who was, and is, and is to come:
glory, glory, glory to the Lord!

**THE MINISTRY OF THE
WORD**

The Collect of the 3rd Sunday before Lent

Almighty God,
 who alone can bring order
 to the unruly wills and passions of
 sinful humanity:
 Give your people grace
 so to love what you command
 and to desire what you promise;
 that, among the many changes of the
 world,
 our hearts may surely there be fixed
 where true joys are to be found;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 58: 1-9

*The Old Testament reading is from the book of the
 prophet Isaiah, chapter 58, beginning at verse 1.*

58 Shout out, do not hold back!
 Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
 Announce to my people their rebellion,
 to the house of Jacob their sins.
² Yet day after day they seek me
 and delight to know my ways,
 as if they were a nation that
 practised righteousness
 and did not forsake the ordinance
 of their God;
 they ask of me righteous judgements,
 they delight to draw near to God.
³ 'Why do we fast, but you do not see?
 Why humble ourselves, but you do
 not notice?'
 Look, you serve your own interest on

your fast-day,
 and oppress all your workers.
⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to
 fight
 and to strike with a wicked fist.
 Such fasting as you do today
 will not make your voice heard on
 high.
⁵ Is such the fast that I choose,
 a day to humble oneself?
 Is it to bow down the head like a
 bulrush,
 and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
 Will you call this a fast,
 a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
 to loose the bonds of injustice,
 to undo the thongs of the yoke,
 to let the oppressed go free,
 and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with
 the hungry,
 and bring the homeless poor into
 your house;
 when you see the naked, to
 cover them,
 and not to hide yourself from your
 own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth
 like the dawn,
 and your healing shall spring
 up quickly;
 your vindicator shall go before you,
 the glory of the LORD shall be your
 rearguard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will

answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 503

(St. Francis)

Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me bring
your love,
where there is injury, your pardon,
Lord,
and where there's doubt, true faith in
you:

*O Master, grant, that I may never
seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul!*

Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life let me
bring hope,
where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy:
*O Master, grant, that I may never
seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love with all my soul!*

Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are
pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive,

and in dying that we're born to eternal
life.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel - Matthew 5: 13-20

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to
Matthew, chapter 5, beginning at verse 13.*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

13 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

17 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the

kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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.***

We are being cautious and are continuing 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 have resumed taking up collections. But we recognise that many people give online and via Standing Order, so please feel free and comfortable not to put any collection in the basket. 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. 330
(Abbot's Leigh) [Verses 3 and 4]

Here our children find a welcome
 in the Shepherd's flock and fold,
 here, as bread and wine are taken,
 Christ sustains us, as of old.
 Here the servants of the Servant
 seek in worship to explore
 what it means in daily living
 to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of Church and Kingdom,
 in an age of change and doubt,
 keep us faithful to the gospel,
 help us work your purpose out.
 here, in this day's dedication,
 all we have to give, receive:
 we, who cannot live without you,
 we adore you, we believe!

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.

The Communion



The Great Silence

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

The Post Communion Prayer

***Merciful Father,
you gave Jesus Christ to be for us
the bread of life,
that those who come to him should
never hunger.
Draw us to our Lord in faith and
love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. Amen.***

The Blessing

Hymn No. 195 - (Shine Jesus Shine)

Lord, the light of your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon
us,
set us free by the truth you now bring
us,
shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow,*

*flood the nations with grace and
mercy;
send forth your word, Lord, and let
there be light.*

Lord, I come to your awesome
presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your
brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my
darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your
story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

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.

Pastoral Care of the Parishes, the Blackrock Clinic.

The Rev. Canon Roy Byrne is looking after the parishes and the Blackrock Clinic whilst the Rector is on leave.

The Rev. Canon Roy Byrne
01-2806596 or 086-3467920

Parishioners who are in hospitals or in residential care will be looked after by the chaplains of those establishments.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Wednesday 1st February 2023

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion

Sunday 5th February 2023

8.30 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

10.00 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

Wednesday 8th February 2023

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion

Sunday 12th February 2023

8.30 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

10.00 Morning Prayer in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Morning Prayer in St Philip and St James' Church

18.30 Sausage Service in St Philip and St James' Church

Wednesday 15th February 2023

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion

Sunday 19th February 2023

8.30 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

10.00 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

Wednesday 22nd February 2023 – Ash

Wednesday

10.30 Midweek Holy Communion

Sunday 26th February 2023

8.30 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church

10.00 Service of the Word in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Service of the Word in St Philip and St James' Church

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY

**THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
2023**

19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM

MOUNT MERRION

SELECT VESTRY MEETING

TUESDAY 7TH MARCH 2023

19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM



Sunday Clubs Re-opening!

We are delighted that both of our Sunday Clubs are re-opening in February. They will meet once a month, and as it happens, both Sunday Clubs will meet on the same morning. The dates are:

Sunday 12th February 2023

Sunday 5th March 2023

Sunday 2nd April 2023

Sunday 7th May 2023

Prize-giving – Sunday 28th May 2023

at the Blessing of the Animals in St Philip and St James' Church at 10.30.

St Thomas' Sunday Club will meet in the Monk Gibbon Hall at 10.00 and St Philip and St James' Sunday Club will meet in St Philip and St James' Parish Centre at 11.00. The children and leaders will join the rest of the congregation before the end of the service in the respective churches.

Thank you to those who have volunteered to lead our Sunday Clubs...

St Thomas' Sunday Club: Katy Ryan, Claire Flanagan, Catherine Thanaseelan and Adam McMurray;

St Philip and St James' Sunday Club: Joanne Sherry, Stefanie O'Brien-Feeney and Gillian Morrow.

All children who are aged three and over, and who are toilet-trained are very welcome to join the Sunday Club.



**Sunday
Club**

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
