



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

The government has announced that 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. There is always plenty of space at the front of the church!!! I would ask people to respect others' need for space. The North Transept of St Philip and St James' Church will continue to have a seating plan where those who would like to be socially-distanced from others may sit.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Greeting

Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Opening Responses

God is loving and full of kindness:

God is at home in us.

God is welcoming and full of beauty;
God is at home in us.

God is forgiving and full of justice;
God is at home in us.

God is with us: we are God's people;
God is at home in us. Amen.

Opening Hymn No. 287 (Lasst uns erfreuen (Easter Song))

The whole bright world rejoices now,
the birds sing out on every bough;
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Then shout beneath the racing skies
to him who rose that we may rise:
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Let us rejoice! All shall be well,
Friends severed now, in heaven shall dwell:

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

The end of all our ways is love;
Then rise with him to things above:
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Now let all living things rejoice,
let young and old lift heart and voice:
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He rose to cheer us on our ways,
he lives to bless us all our days:
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

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.

(Please sit or kneel)

[Silence]

The Penitential Kyries for Easter

Lord God,
 you raised your Son from the dead.
 Lord, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Lord Jesus,
 through you we are more than
 conquerors.
 Christ, have mercy
Christ, have mercy

Holy Spirit,
 you help us in our weakness.
 Lord, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

**Hymn No. 197 Thanks and Praise**
(Taizé)

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

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Collect of the 5th Sunday of Easter

Lord of all life and power,
 who through the mighty resurrection
 of your Son
 overcame the old order of sin and
 death
 to make all things new in him:
 grant that we, being dead to sin
 and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
 may reign with him in glory;
 to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
 be praise and honour, glory and might,
 now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

(Please sit)

The Epistle - Revelation 21: 1-6

21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
 'See, the home of God is among mortals.
 He will dwell with them;
 they will be his peoples,
 and God himself will be with them;
⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 Death will be no more;
 mourning and crying and pain will be no

more,
 for the first things have passed away.'
 5 And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' ⁶ Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

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

The Gradual Hymn - No. 515 (A new commandment)

[Sing once!]

A new commandment I give unto you,
 that you love one another as I have loved you,
 that you love one another as I have loved you.
 By this shall all know that you are my disciples,
 if you have love one to another.
 By this shall all know that you are my disciples,
 if you have love one to another.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Holy Gospel - John 13: 31-35

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John, chapter 13 beginning at verse 31.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come."
³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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 for Easter

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, Peace be with you. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. *John 20: 19,20*

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 No. 525 (Let There Be Love)

Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes.
May now your love sweep this nation,
cause us, O Lord, to arise;
give us a fresh understanding
of brotherly love that is real,
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.

Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes.
May now your love sweep this nation,
cause us, O Lord, to arise;
give us a fresh understanding
of sisterly love that is real,
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.

**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!

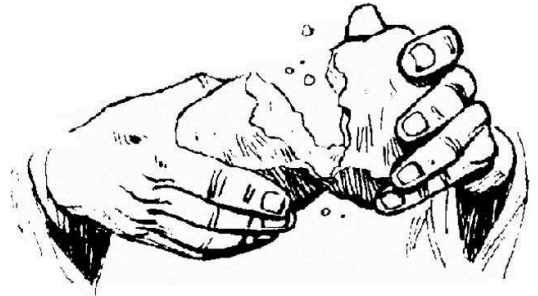
Thanks be to you, our God, for your
gift beyond words.

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

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

***Eternal God,
in word and sacrament
we proclaim your truth in Jesus
Christ and share his life.
In his strength may we ever walk in
his way,
who is alive and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen***

The Blessing

God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from
the dead,
raise you up to walk with him in the
newness of his risen life:
and the Blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit,
be with you and remain with you
always. ***Amen.***

Hymn No. 366 (Praise, my soul)

Praise my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress;
praise him, still the same for ever,

slow to chide and swift to bless:
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

The Closing Responses and Dismissal

We are loved, cherished, befriended,
accepted;
this is the truth.

We are not alone: God's live is in us;
God knows our hopes, our fears, our
questions;
this is the truth.

God is leading us deep into justice and
wonder;
God is joyfully walking us home.

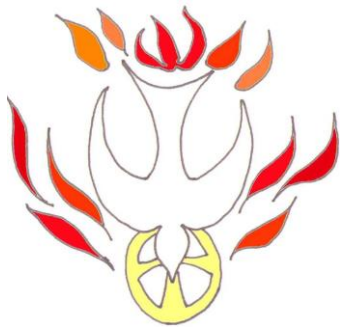
Go in the peace of the Risen Christ.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*May the glory of the Resurrection
fill you with joy and hope this
Easter-time.*

*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.



Confirmation Today

The Archbishop will administer the Rite of Confirmation for our parishes, in Christ Church, Taney this afternoon at 3pm.

Please keep the candidates in your prayers:

**Patrick Burns, Ralph Cogan,
Sam Cole, Sam Dane, Chloe Hiles,
Katie Hiles, Josh Killeen,
Abi Lyons, Theo Phelan,
Alice Postma, Piers Postma,
Alice Robinson, Iarla Rynhart,
Hugo Sellers,
Josh Sherlock-Robertson,
Ben Smyth, Anna Tuite,
Nicholas Vaughan, Rory Vaughan,
Scott Walker**

Worship for May 2022

Sunday 22nd May 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Service – Blessing of the Animals in St Philip and St James' Church, which will also be live-streamed.



All are very welcome to this Service with their animals.

We ask you to keep your animals under control as we do not want any unplanned eating episodes!!!!

Pooper-scooper rules apply!!!



There will be Tea/Coffee as part of the School Fair, afterwards in the Parish Hall

Sunday 29th May 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church
10.00 Service of the Word in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Service of the Word in St Philip and St James' Church, which will also be live-streamed.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm

Contact Irene on 087-2755423



Gardening Blitz

Monday 23rd May 2022

14.00-16.00 hours

St Thomas' Church Grounds

Bring gardening tools and gloves

BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY

THURSDAY 19TH MAY 2022

19.30 HOURS

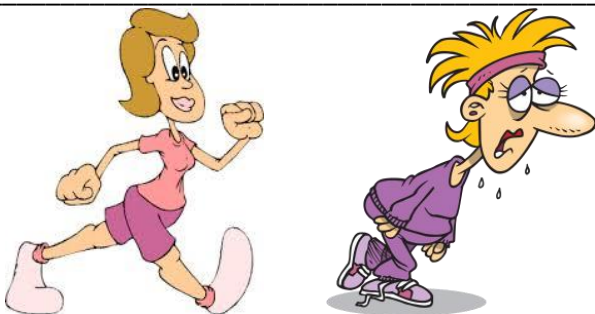
MOUNT MERRION

THINK-IN – STRATEGY

MORNING

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE 2022

9.00-12.00 HOURS



Lenten Challenge

Thank you to all who donated to the Lenten Challenge. A total of €6,600 was raised which is amazing!

Thank You!

€2,200 has been sent to each of the following charities:

The Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association (IMNDA),

Blackrock Hospice

Bishops' Appeal for Ukrainian Refugees

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



MOUNT MERRION ECUMENICAL SOCIETY GOLF OUTING

This year, the 56th outing will take place in Elm Park Golf Club on Tuesday 7th June 2022. All members of our two parishes are welcome to play. **The timesheet is currently available in John O'Reilly's Butchers (01-2889949) on Deerpark Road.**

If you are not able to play golf that day, but would like to go to the dinner in the evening in Elm Park Golf Club, you are more than welcome to do that too. Again, please contact John O'Reilly.

This is always a fun outing with much craic and camaraderie with our neighbours.



Colouring Section

