



(Please stand if you are able)

#### The Greeting

Grásta agus trócaire agus síocháin ó Dhia ár nAthair agus ó Íosa Críost ár dTiarna, go raibh libh go léir agus leat féin.

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

#### Opening Responses

God of the past, God of our memories: we are here to thank you.

God of the future,
God of our dreams:
we are here to trust you.

God of the present,
God of our salvation:
we are here to praise you.

You put songs on our lips and make us your people:

you do great things for us and we are glad.

#### Hymn No. 611 (Bunessan)

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ in my left hand, Christ all around me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me, Christ be on all tongues telling of me. Christ be the vision in eyes that see me, in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

(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.

(Please sit or kneel)

[Silence]

## The Penitential Kyries for Irish Saints

O taste and see that the Lord is good;

Happy are those who trust in him. A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

The Lord ransoms the lives of his servants and none who trust in him will be destroyed.

A Chríost, déan trócaire.

A Chríost, déan trócaire.

Come my children, listen to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

A Thiarna, déan trócaire.

#### The Absolution

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

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

goodness,



THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## The Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: Grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### An tOrtha le Lá Fhéile Pádraig

A Dhia uilechumhachtaigh, a thogh le do réamhaire do sheirbhíseach Pádraig mar aspal do mhuintir na hÉireann, chun an dream a bhí ar fán i ndorchadas agus in earráid a sheoladh ar an bhfíorsholas agus ar eolas ar do bhriathar: coimeád sinn sa solas sinn ar shlí go raibh an bheatha shíoraí againn; trí Íosa Críost ár dTiarna. Áiméan.

The Collect for St Patrick's Day

Almighty God, in your providence you chose your servant Patrick to be the apostle of the Irish people, to bring those who were wandering in darkness and error to the true light and knowledge of your Word:

grant that walking in that light

we may come at last to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 



## The Epistle - 2 Corinthians 4: 1-12

The epistle is written in the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians, chapter 4, beginning at verse 1.

4Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. 2We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

7 But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. 8We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup>always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. 11 For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. 12 So. death is at work in us, but life in you.

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

## The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 665 (Ag Críost an síol)

Ag Críost an síol; ag Críost an fómhar. In iothlainn Dé go dtugtar sinn.

Ag Críost an mhuir; ag Críost an t-iasc. I líonta Dé go gcastar sinn.

Ó fhás to haois, is ó aois go bás, do dhá láimh, a Chríost, anall tharainn. Ó bhás go críoch, ní críoch ach athfhás, i bParthas na nGrást go rabhaimid.

The seed is Christ's, and his the sheaf; within God's barn may we be stored.

The sea is Christ's; and his the fish; in the nets of God may we be caught.

From birth to youth, and from youth till death, your two hands, O Christ, stretch over us.

From death – the end? No end, but new life; in sweet Paradise may we be found.

(Please remain standing, if you are able)

#### The Holy Gospel - John 4: 31-38

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John, chapter 4, beginning at verse 31.

#### Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

31 Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.'

32 But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.'

33 So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?'

34 Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work.

35 Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But

I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. <sup>36</sup>The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. <sup>37</sup>For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." <sup>38</sup>I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

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)

#### <u>Intercessions</u> Lord, through your love, **transform our lives**.

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

(Please stand, if you are able)



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!

## The Introduction to the Peace for Irish Saints' Days

Síocháin duit agus síocháin do do theaghlach, agus síocháin do gach a mbaineann leat.

1 Saimúéil 25: 6

Go raibh síocháin an Tiarna libh i gcónaí: agus leat féin.

Peace be to you, and peace to your hose, and peace to all who are yours.

1 Samuel 25: 6

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We recognise that many people give online and via Standing Order, and do not 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 - No. 322 (St. Patrick's Breastplate & Gartan)

Verses 1, 8 & 9 only

- 1. I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.
- 8. Christ be with me,
  Christ within me,
  Christ behind me,
  Christ before me,
  Christ beside me,
  Christ to win me,
  Christ to comfort and restore me,
  Christ beneath me,
  Christ above me,
  Christ in quiet,
  Christ in danger,
  Christ in hearts of all that love me,
  Christ in mouth of friend and
  stranger.
- 9. I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three; of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation: Salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.

## 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

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,

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

#### The 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

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, or you may prefer to remain seated. 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.

#### The Post Communion Prayer for St Patrick's Day

Hear us, most merciful God, for that part of the Church which through your servant Patrick you planted in our land; that it may hold fast the faith entrusted to the saints and in the end bear much fruit to eternal life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### An Beannacht le Lá Fhéile Pádraig

Go líona Dia lena ghrásta sibh chun lorg na naomh a leanúint go dílís agus a ghlóir a thabhairt chun torthúlachta. an Dia sin a thug beannacht a Naomheaglaise don tír seo fadó; agus go raibh beannacht Dé uilechumhachtaigh, an tAthair, an Mac, agus an Spiorad Naomh oraibh is in bhur measc i gcónaí. Áiméan.

#### The Blessing for St Patrick's Day

God, who in days of old gave to this land the benediction of his holy Church, fill you with his grace to walk faithfully in the steps of the saints and to bring forth fruit to his glory:

and the Blessing of God almighty,

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



#### Hymn No. 643 (Slane (1))

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;

thou my best thought in the day and the night,

waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,

I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;

thou my great Father, and I thy true heir;

thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Be thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight;

be thou my armour, and be thou my might;

thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower,

raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,

thou mine inheritance through all my days;

thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,

High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when the battle is done, grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's sun, Christ of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

#### The Dismissal

God on the road,
God in the wilderness,
God in our tears,
God in our laughter,
God in our living,
God in our dying,
God making all things new.

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



#### <u>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Palm</u> <u>Sunday</u>

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.30 United Daffodil Service in St Philip and St James' Church (livestreamed)

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

### **Holy Week**

Monday 25th March

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

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 31<sup>st</sup> 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 (livestreamed)

#### 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 21<sup>ST</sup> 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 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024
19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM

for teenagers

Next class is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

March 2024 at 18.30

St Philip and St James' Church

**Confirmation Class** 

Confirmation and Enquirers
Class for adults is on
Wednesday 20th March 2024 at
20.15 hours on Zoom



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 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 welcome!



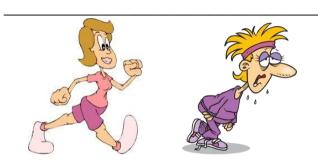
# Daffodil Service and Daffodil Coffee Morning with Bring-and-Buy

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- Please note the service
times

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 14<sup>th</sup> February – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Lent is the season for examining ourselves and seeing how we can more fully reflect the life and love of Christ and his commandment to us to love our neighbour as ourselves. That means respecting and caring for others and for ourselves.

Therefore, again, this Lent, I am encouraging people to take up something that gives you a focus each day and that benefits you physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

This year, I am walking 5km 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 to Christian Aid who are working on the ground with local agencies), 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). It is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza strip and the only cancer hospital in Gaza. It normally treats approximately 45,000 patients a year. Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza welcomes all people regardless of their faith or background.

You can make a donation by online banking to

Booterstown and Mount Merrion Account

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY J. S. BACH

## A pipeworks education and outreach project

Short recitals featuring famous works by the greatest organ composer of all, J. S. Bach (born 21<sup>st</sup> March 1685, 339 years ago), performed by organist David O'Shea

## Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024 1.15pm St Paul's Church, Glenageary

Admission free, with donations welcome in aid of St Paul's fund for Kisiizi Hospital, Uganda.