



### **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.*

### **The Gathering of God's People**

Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

*1 Peter 1:3*

### **Hymn No. 285 (St. Magnus)**

The head that once was crowned with thorns  
is crowned with glory now;  
a royal diadem adorns  
the mighty victor's brow.

The highest place that heaven affords  
is his, is his by right,  
the King of kings, and Lord of lords,  
and heaven's eternal light.

The joy of all who dwell above:  
the joy of all below,  
to whom he manifests his love,  
and grants his name to know.

To them the cross, with all its shame,  
with all its grace, is given:  
their name an everlasting name,  
their joy the joy of heaven.

They suffer with their Lord below,  
they reign with him above,  
their profit and their joy to know  
the mystery of his love.

The Cross he bore is life and health,  
though shame and death to him;  
his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
their everlasting theme.

### **The Preface**

Beloved in Christ,  
we come together to offer to  
Almighty God  
our worship and praise and  
thanksgiving,

to confess our sins and to receive  
 God's forgiveness,  
 to hear his holy word proclaimed,  
 to bring before him our needs and the  
 needs of the world,  
 and to pray that in the power of his  
 Spirit  
 we may serve him and know the  
 greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our  
 Father.

*[Please kneel or sit]*

### **The Penitential Kyries for Ascension-tide**

God our Father,  
 you exalted your Son to sit at your  
 right hand.  
 Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy**

Lord Jesus,  
 you are the way, the truth and the  
 life.  
 Christ, have mercy  
**Christ, have mercy**

Holy Spirit, Counsellor,  
 you are sent to be with us for ever.  
 Lord, have mercy  
**Lord, have mercy**

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.**

*[Please stand, if you are able]*

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim your  
 praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
 and to the Holy Spirit;  
**as it was in the beginning, is now,  
 and shall be forever. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.  
**The Lord's name be praised.**

*[Please sit]*

### **The First Reading - 1 Samuel 12: 19-24**

*The Old Testament Reading is from the First Book of  
 Samuel, chapter 12, beginning at verse 19.*

19 All the people said to Samuel, 'Pray  
 to the LORD your God for your  
 servants, so that we may not die; for  
 we have added to all our sins the evil  
 of demanding a king for  
 ourselves.' <sup>20</sup>And Samuel said to the  
 people, 'Do not be afraid; you have  
 done all this evil, yet do not turn aside  
 from following the LORD, but serve  
 the LORD with all your heart; <sup>21</sup>and do  
 not turn aside after useless things

that cannot profit or save, for they are useless. <sup>22</sup>For the LORD will not cast away his people, for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the LORD to make you a people for himself. <sup>23</sup>Moreover as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD by ceasing to pray for you; and I will instruct you in the good and the right way. <sup>24</sup>Only fear the LORD, and serve him faithfully with all your heart; for consider what great things he has done for you.

Here ends the Old Testament Reading.

### **Psalm: Hymn No. 263 (Diademata)**

*[Verses 1 and 4]*

1. Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne,  
hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own:  
awake, my soul and sing  
of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as they matchless King  
through all eternity.

4. Crown him the Lord of life  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife,  
for those he came to save:  
his glories now we sing,  
who died and rose on high,  
who died eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.

*[Please sit]*

### **The New Testament Reading - John 17: 20-26**

*The New Testament Reading is from the Gospel according to St John, chapter 17, beginning at verse 20.*

20 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

25 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Here ends the New Testament Reading.

**Canticle: Hymn No. 263****(Diademata)***[Verses 5 and 6]*

5. Crown him the Lord of peace,  
 whose power a sceptre sways  
 from pole to pole, that wars may  
 cease,  
 and all be love and praise:  
 his reign shall know no end;  
 and round his pierced feet  
 the thousand tones of earth shall  
 blend  
 in concord ever sweet.

6. Crown him the Lord of years,  
 the Potentate of time,  
 creator of the rolling spheres,  
 ineffably sublime:  
 all hail, Redeemer, hail!  
 for thou hast died for me;  
 thy praise shall never, never fail  
 throughout eternity.

*[Please stand, if you are able]***The Apostles' Creed**

*I believe in God,  
 the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ,  
 God's only Son, our Lord,  
 who was conceived by the Holy  
 Spirit,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died and was buried;  
 he descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again;*

*he ascended into heaven,  
 he is seated at the right hand of  
 the Father,  
 and he will come again to judge the  
 living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**The Prayers of the People**

The Lord be with you  
*and also with you.*

*[Please sit or kneel]*

Let us pray.

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

**The Lord's Prayer****The Versicles and Responses**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
*and grant us your salvation.*

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers  
*and grant our government wisdom.*

Let your ministers be clothed with  
 righteousness  
*and let your servants shout for joy.*

O Lord, save your people  
and bless those whom you have  
chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord,  
and let your glory be over all the  
earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within  
us  
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

**The Collect of the Seventh Sunday  
of Easter (The Sunday after  
Ascension Day)**

O God the King of Glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus  
Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in  
heaven:  
Mercifully give us faith to know  
that, as he promised,  
he abides with us on earth to the end  
of time;  
who is alive and reigns with you and  
the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Collect for use at Morning Prayer**

***Go before us, Lord in all our doings,  
with your most gracious favour,  
and further us with your continual  
help;  
that in all our works begun,  
continued and ended in you,***

***we may glorify your holy name, and  
finally by your mercy attain  
everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.***

**The Prayers**

**Hymn No. 259 (Guiting Power)**

*[Verses 1 and 2]*

Christ triumphant, ever reigning,  
Saviour, Master, King!  
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,  
hear us as we sing:

*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, th'eternal name!*

Word incarnate, truth revealing,  
Son of Man on earth!  
Power and majesty concealing  
by your humble birth:

**The Sermon**

*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*

**Hymn No. 259 (Guiting Power)***[Verses 3, 4 and 5]*

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-  
treated,  
victim crucified!  
Death is through the cross defeated,  
sinners justified:

*Yours the glory and the crown,  
the high renown, th'eternal name!*

Priestly King, enthroned for ever  
high in heaven above!  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
stifle hymns of love:

So, our hearts and voices raising  
through the ages long,  
ceaselessly upon you gazing,  
this shall be our song:

**The Blessing for Ascension-tide**

Christ our exalted King  
pour on you his abundant gifts  
make you faithful and strong to do his  
will  
that you may reign with him in glory:  
and the Blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy  
Spirit, be with you and remain with  
you always. **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.*

# Thank You!

Thank you to  
**The Rev. Canon Neil McEndoo,**  
who is very kindly taking the  
services, this morning.

Thank you, Neil!

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**Pastoral Care of the Parishes,  
the Blackrock Clinic and the  
Blackrock Hospice.**

The Rev. Canon Roy Byrne is looking  
after the parishes, the Blackrock Clinic  
and the Blackrock Hospice, until 4<sup>th</sup>  
June 2022, whilst the Rector is on  
holiday.

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

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 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, which will also be live-  
streamed.

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church  
10.00 Morning Prayer and Dedication of  
Communion Linen in memory of Ann and  
Joe Breadon, in St Thomas' Church  
**11.00** Morning Prayer in St Philip and St  
James' Church, which will also be live-  
streamed.

18.30 Sausage Service, in St Philip and St James' Church, followed by supper in the Parish Centre.

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 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, which will also be live-streamed.

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.00 Holy Baptism in St Thomas' Church

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

## **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](mailto:mikelee2653@gmail.com)



## **Gardening Blitz**

**NB Change of Date**

Now on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

10.00-12.00 hours

**St Thomas' Church Grounds**

Bring gardening tools and gloves

## **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm

Contact Irene on 087-2755423



## **MOUNT MERRION ECUMENICAL SOCIETY GOLF OUTING**

This year, the 56<sup>th</sup> outing will take place in Elm Park Golf Club on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> 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.