



*[Please stand, if you are able]*

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

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

### **Opening Hymn No. 431 (Regent Square)**

*[Verses 1-3]*

Lord, enthroned in heavenly  
splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead,  
thou alone, our strong defender,  
liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Jesus, true and living bread.

Here for faith's discernment praying  
lest we fail to know thee now,  
here our deepest homage paying,  
we in loving reverence bow;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
thou art here, we ask not how.

Now though lowliest form do veil thee  
as of old in Bethlehem,  
angels in thy mystery hail thee;  
we in worship join with them.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.

### **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]*

***Heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you and  
against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence,  
through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault;  
by what we have done and by what  
we have failed to do.  
We are truly sorry and repent of  
all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus  
Christ who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may serve you in  
newness of life to the glory of your  
name. Amen.***

Merciful Lord,

grant to your faithful people pardon  
and peace,  
that we may be cleansed from all our  
sins,  
and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

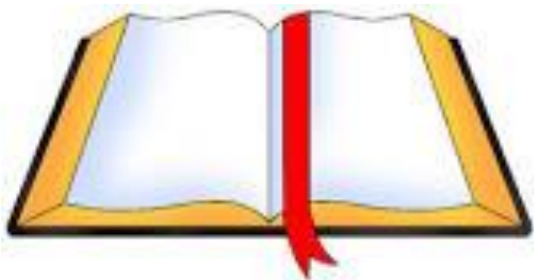
*[Please stand, if you are able]*

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 - Exodus 12: 1-14**

*The first reading is from the book of Exodus,  
chapter 12, beginning at verse 1.*

**12**The Lord said to Moses and Aaron

in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the

land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

14 This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Here ends the First Reading.

### **Psalm – Hymn No. 710 (Ode to joy)**

Sing to God new songs of worship -  
all his deeds are marvellous;  
he has brought salvation to us  
with his hand and holy arm:  
he has shown to all the nations  
righteousness and saving power;  
he recalled his truth and mercy  
to his people Israël.

Sing to God new songs of worship -  
earth has seen his victory;  
let the lands of earth be joyful,  
praising him with thankfulness:  
sound upon the harp his praises,  
play to him with melody;  
let the trumpets sound his triumph,  
show your joy to God the king!

Sing to God new songs of worship -  
let the sea now make a noise;  
all on earth and in the waters  
sound your praises to the Lord:  
let the hills rejoice together,  
let the rivers clap their hands,  
for with righteousness and justice  
he will come to judge the earth.

*[Please sit]*

### **The Second Reading – Matthew 18: 15-20**

*The second reading is from the Gospel according to St Matthew, chapter 18, beginning at verse 15.*

15 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup>But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup>If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. <sup>18</sup>Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup>Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup>For where two or

three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Here ends the Second Reading.

**Canticle - Hymn No. 709 (Austria)**

Praise the Lord! You heavens, adore him;

praise him, angels, in the height;  
sun and moon, rejoice before him,  
praise him, all you stars and light.  
praise the Lord, for he has spoken;  
worlds his mighty voice obeyed;  
laws, which never shall be broken,  
for their guidance he has made.

Praise the Lord, for he is glorious;  
never shall his promise fail:  
God has made his saints victorious;  
sin and death shall not prevail.  
Praise the God of our salvation;  
hosts on high, his power proclaim;  
heaven and earth and all creation,  
laud and magnify his name!

Worship, honour, glory, blessing,  
Lord, we offer to your name;  
young and old, your praise expressing,  
join their Saviour to proclaim.  
As the saints in heaven adore you,  
we would bow before your throne;  
as your angels serve before you,  
so on earth your will be done.

*[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 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your  
presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast  
wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Collect for use at Morning Prayer

*Heavenly Father,  
in whom we live and move and have  
our being:  
we humbly pray that your Holy  
Spirit may so guide and govern us  
that in all the cares and occupations  
of our daily life,  
we may never forget your presence  
but may remember that we are  
always walking in your sight,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

## The Prayers



### Hymn No. 608 (Be still and know)

Be still and know that I am God,  
Be still and know that I am God,  
Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee,  
I am the Lord that healeth thee,  
I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust,  
In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust,  
In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust.

## The Sermon

*If you wish to donate to the church online or electronically, the treasurers would be happy to give you the required details.*

### **Hymn No. 431 (Regent Square)**

*[Verses 4-6]*

Paschal Lamb, thine offering finished  
once for all when thou wast slain,  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
cleansing souls from every stain.

Great High Priest of our profession,  
through the veil thou wentest in,  
by the mighty intercession  
grace and peace for us to win;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
only sacrifice for sin.

Life-imparting heavenly manna,  
stricken rock with streaming side,  
heaven and earth with one hosanna,  
worship thee, the Lamb that died,  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
risen, ascended, glorified!

### **The Grace**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with us all evermore. **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.*

Welcome Back and Thank  
You to Uta Raab, Diocesan  
Lay Reader and former  
parishioner, who has  
travelled from County  
Wicklow to take the 9.30  
and 11.00 services as the  
Rector is unwell. Gillian  
hopes to be back next  
Sunday.

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## **FORTHCOMING** **SERVICES**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Please note that there is no Sausage  
Service tonight**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023.**

***There will be no 10.30 Midweek Service***

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

**9.30 NB Time** Holy Communion in St  
Thomas' Church

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



Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

*10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church*

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

**10.30 NB Time United Harvest Thanksgiving and Start of the Year School Service in St Philip and St James' Church (live-streamed)**



Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

*10.30 Midweek Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church*

## Ad hoc Choir!

We would love to have a choir to sing on special occasions, such as Harvest, Christmas, the special services for our anniversaries next year. It would not be an ongoing weekly commitment, but we would rehearse for a couple of weeks coming up to the particular service. Please talk to June Burgess (086-8157748) or the Rector. You don't have to be a wonderful singer – just an enthusiastic one!

## Decorating for Harvest Thanksgiving in St Philip and St James' Church is on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 at 10.30



All gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables would be really appreciated but could you please deliver them before 11.00, so that they can be used. We would also love your help to decorate. You don't need to be artistic! – there is a variety of very important jobs! We are also appealing for gifts of **non-perishable** food items which we will pass on to the Capuchin Day Centre and the Alice Leahy Trust... items such as pasta, rice, noodles, pot-porridge, pot-curry, cereals, tinned foods, biscuits, etc.





## Sunday Clubs

Our Sunday Clubs are re-opening in October.

St Philip and St James' Sunday Club will meet on the following Sundays at 11.00 in

St Philip and St James' Parish Centre:

22 October 2023

19 November 2023

3 December 2023.

St Thomas' Sunday Club will meet on the following Sundays at 9.30 in The Monk

Gibbon Hall:

1 October 2023

12 November 2023

3 December 2023

We would welcome more Sunday Club Leaders. If you would like to find out more about helping, please contact the Rector.

## St Philip and St James' Autumn Fair

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023**  
**12.00-15.00**



The Autumn Fair will be upon us before we know it!!!

**We need everyone to help!**

We are already enjoying the new heating system and accessibility in the church. There is still more work to be done and the Autumn Fair will be a major fundraiser for that project so all hands are required 'on deck'!!! We need it to be bumper in spirit and fun, bumper in building and celebrating community, bumper in bargains and support!

We need lots of items for the various stalls: Cakes, Biscuits, Tray Bakes, Scones, Bread, etc., Bags, Belts, Jewellery, Books, Plants, Jams, Marmalades, Gifts, Bottles, Toys, Bric-a-Brac etc.

***Donations of fruit, especially raspberries,***



***sugar and label-less jam jars are needed ASAP!***



***For the Cakes/Deli and Household Stalls, we would appreciate if each family could cook, or donate, two items.***

***But don't limit your cooking skills...***

***these stalls always sell out fast!***






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## **200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations**

**Meeting re the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations in 2024.**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023  
20.00 hours**

**in The Parish Room of St Philip and  
St James' Parish Centre.  
All welcome.**

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**MOUNT MERRION  
SELECT VESTRY MEETING  
NEW DATE TO BE CONFIRMED**

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**BOOTERSTOWN AND  
CARYSFORT  
SELECT VESTRY MEETING  
THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
2023**

**20.00 HOURS IN THE PARISH  
ROOM OF ST PHILIP AND ST  
JAMES' PARISH CENTRE**

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## **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

Tuesday 3.30pm—4.10pm

In-person meetings in the Canon  
Osborne Barr Room of St Philip and St  
James' Parish Centre but we will meet  
occasionally via Zoom.

Contact Irene on 087-2755423  
[irene.reid1052@gmail.com](mailto:irene.reid1052@gmail.com)

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## **Flower Fund**

Both churches have a flower fund which is used to pay for the flowers throughout the year. Donations to the respective flower funds would be very much appreciated. Sometimes, people may donate the flowers for a particular Sunday in memory of a loved one. Thank you to those who have so generously given to the Flower Fund.

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***Female Medical Student at  
Trinity Requires  
Accommodation***

Please contact the Rector.

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**Female French Language  
Assistant Requires  
Accommodation**

Accommodation sought for a female French Foreign Language Assistant who is coming to Ireland as part of a cultural program administered by the Department of Education and who will be working in Newpark Comprehensive School from October 2023 to May 2024.

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**Rented Accommodation  
Required**

Two-bedroomed property to rent required by a couple close to St Vincent's University Hospital. Maximum rent €2,000. Please contact the Rector.

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# ***Sponsor a Chair***

***for***

## ***St Philip and St James' Church***

The cost of a chair is **€275** (including the brass plaque and engraving). If you would like more information about donating or sponsoring a chair, please contact the Honorary Treasurer, Quentin Teggins at **qteggins@gmail.com** or the Rector. Irish Contract Seating are lending us forty chairs until we take delivery of the bespoke chairs in the autumn of 2023.

