

#### 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.

#### <u>Heating Installation and Interior Works to</u> St Philip and St James' Church

As you can see, we have started! It has been in the pipeline (pun intended!) for at least 18 years, and at long last, it is happening! Please bear with us as the works progress.

#### The Gathering of God's People

The Lord be with you and also with you.

#### Opening Hymn No. 6 (St. Deniol)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,

most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,

nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;

thy justice, like mountains high soaring above

thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;

in all life thou livest, the true life of all;

we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,

and wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,

thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;

all laud we would render: O help us to see

'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

#### 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.

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 it is comfortable for you to do so]

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 Old Testament Reading - Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

11 At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert towards my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse— 12 a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them.

22 'For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding.

They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.'

<sup>23</sup> I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void;

and to the heavens, and they had no light.

<sup>24</sup> I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking,

and all the hills moved to and fro.

<sup>25</sup> I looked, and lo, there was no one at all,

and all the birds of the air had fled.

<sup>26</sup> I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert,

and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

- 27 For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end.
- <sup>28</sup> Because of this the earth shall mourn,

and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed;

I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Here ends the Old Testament Reading.

### Psalm 23 - Hymn No. 21 (Crimond)

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,

yet will I fear none ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; and in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

[Please sit]

# The New Testament Reading - Luke 15: 1-10

15Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

3 So he told them this parable: 4'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5When he has

found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

8 'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Here ends the New Testament Reading.

# <u>Canticle - Hymn No. 644 (Pastor pastorum (Silcher))</u>

Faithful Shepherd, feed me in the pastures green; faithful Shepherd, lead me where your steps are seen.

Hold me fast, and guide me in the narrow way; so, with you beside me, I need never stray.

Daily bring me nearer to the heavenly shore; make my faith grow clearer, help me love you more.

Hallow every pleasure, every gift and pain, be my only treasure, all I hope to gain.

Day by day prepare me, as you see is best, then let angels bear me to your promised rest.

#### The Apostles' Creed (shortened version)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.

I believe in the Holy Spirit 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 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness

that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the good news of your love,

that all who hear it may be drawn to you;

through him who was lifted up on the

cross, 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. 94 (Camberwell)

[Verses 1 and 4]

1. In the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning

was the mighty Word.

4. Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came; faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

#### 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. 94 (Camberwell)

[Verses 5, 7, 8]

5. Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creature to the central height; to the eternal Godhead, to the Father's throne, filled it with the glory of his triumph won.

7. In your hearts enthrone him;

there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; crown him as your captain in temptation's hour, let his will enfold you in its light and power.

8. With his Father's glory Jesus comes again, angel hosts attend him and announce his reign; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

#### The Blessing

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!

Welcome and thank you to The Rev. Canon Ben Neill who is very kindly taking the services, this morning. Thank you, Ben!

### 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, up to and including 17<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 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.

## Sunday 18th September 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

## Sunday 25th September 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

**10.30** United Service to mark the start of the school year in St Philip and St James' Church

# **Sunday Clubs**

We are working towards re-opening the Sunday Clubs this autumn. We are looking for people to join the team of leaders so that the responsibility can be shared and is, therefore, not too onerous on any individual. We are particularly looking for male leaders

in order to have a gender balance amongst the leaders. Thank you to those who have volunteered so far and who will be undergoing Garda vetting, Safeguarding Trust training. If you would like to find out more about helping, please contact the Rector.

## **Autumn Fair Meeting**

There will be a meeting on

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>
September 2022 at
7.30pm via Zoom.

## St Philip and St James' Autumn Fair Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 12.00-15.00



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

#### We need everyone to help!

The installation of a new and muchneeded heating system in the church and accessibility alteration works are nearly completed, 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, Unwanted Gifts, Bottles, Toys, Bric-a-Brac etc.

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!

## **Mount Merrion**

Select Vestry Strategy Evening Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022 19.00 hours in St Thomas' Church

## **Healer Prayer Group**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 19.00 hours *via Zoom* Zoom details will be issued on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022

# BOOTERSTOWN AND CARYSFORT

SELECT VESTRY
TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022
19.30 HOURS VIA ZOOM

## **MOUNT MERRION**

SELECT VESTRY MEETING
MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022
20.00 HOURS VIA ZOOM

## 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' Church2026 - 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 <a href="mikelee2653@gmail.com">mikelee2653@gmail.com</a>

# Monkstown Schoolhouse Auction

A special fundraising Auction in aid of the Monkstown Schoolhouse Restoration Appeal will take place on Friday 16 September at 7:30pm in Monkstown Parish Church. Viewing will take place on Thursday 15 September from 2pm to 4pm and from 7pm to 9pm and on Friday 16 September from 2pm to 4pm. Lots include antiques, paintings, books, silver, jewelry, collectables and treasures of every description. Please do come along and support us as we continue our restoration of the historic 1791 schoolhouse in the grounds of the church.