



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.

Heating Installation and Interior Works to 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.

[Please stand, if you are able]

Welcome and Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

God, we wonder what the comings and goings and happenings of this day will be.

Today, we will see and hear holiness in ordinary places
where people in all their depth and mystery,
work and play, laugh and cry;
where life is cherished, sustained and handed on.

But today, too, we will see and hear all that denies life
in its fullness and variety,
in our lives, our communities, our world.

***Today, we will weep over injustice, intolerance and hatred.
We will rejoice in goodness, kindness and generosity.
We will love outrageously,
hope enthusiastically,
believe in the indefinable,
and look to you, God, for inspiration and guidance,
and to Jesus Christ whose life,
words and actions show us the how and the way to go.***

Hymn - The Alpha and The Omega **(Tune: Woodlands No. 712)**

by Tom Gordon [Verses 1-3]

You are the start of time; you are the end.

And so, in faith, we seek to comprehend
how you might dwell with us, eternally;
how broad, how deep, how sure your love can be.

You are the Alpha: from the first of days,
 you offered Light to lead us in your ways;
 you caused the sun to set, the dawn to break;
 you willed the seas to shift, the hills to shake.

You are the Omega; your love will last, when even time itself, and life, are past.
 You set the stars for night, the moon to trace
 a pathway through the vastness of your space.

[Revelation 22:13, Psalm 46: 1-3]

[Please kneel or sit]

Prayer of Penitence

Glorious God,
 your thoughts are not our thoughts,
 nor are your ways our ways.
 We get things upside down,
 backwards, and often, just completely wrong.
 So, in silence, let us remember our own faults and failings.

[Silence]

***In the company of Christ's Church
 and in the presence of God's people,
 we confess to God that we have
 sinned in thought, word and deed.
 We have not loved God,
 or cared for God's world,***

or respected God's people as we should.

***We take responsibility for ourselves
 and ask for God's forgiveness.***

May God forgive you,
 Christ befriend you,
 And the Spirit renew you and change your life. ***Amen.***

Acclamation

Creator God,
 we praise you for the joys of summer,
 warmth and light,
 brightness and colour,
 travel and exploration,
 adventuring to new places,
 discovering beauty and strangeness,
 exploring new food and ways of life
We rejoice in your rainbow world.

Redeeming Son,
 we thank you for sunshine and showers,
 rest and relaxation,
 recreation and holidays,
 switching off phones and email,
 abandoning diaries and calendars
***May we be refreshed with energy
 and hope.***

Guiding Spirit,
 we bless you for family and friends,
 fellowship and company,
 play and leisure,
 fun and laughter,
 freedom to worship and to pray.

*May we be renewed with your love
and your grace.*

The Collect of the 6th Sunday after

Trinity

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love
you
such good things as pass our
understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward
you
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn - The Alpha and The Omega
(Tune - Woodlands, Church Hymnal

No. 712) *by Tom Gordon*

[Verses 4-6]

You make the seasons change, you
feed the land;
you give your Word, so we might
understand.
Your faithful hand is found in
everything,
in life, in death, in all creation brings.

You are the summer flowers, the
seeds that grow;
you are the rain that falls, the winds
that blow;
you are the glassy sea, the storms
that rage;
you are our constancy for every age.

You were the start and you will be the
end,
and so, our thanks from earth to
heaven ascent.

With hearts and minds and voices we
proclaim,
in summer days, the glory of your
name.

[Revelation 22:13, Psalm 46: 1-3]

[Please sit]

The Word of God - Luke 11: 1-13

*The Reading is from the Gospel according to Luke,
chapter 11, beginning at verse 1.*

11He was praying in a certain place,
and after he had finished, one of his
disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us
to pray, as John taught his
disciples.' **2**He said to them, 'When you
pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

3 Give us each day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone
indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of
trial.'

5 And he said to them, 'Suppose one
of you has a friend, and you go to him
at midnight and say to him, "Friend,
lend me three loaves of bread; **6**for a
friend of mine has arrived, and I have
nothing to set before him." **7**And he
answers from within, "Do not bother
me; the door has already been locked,
and my children are with me in bed; I

cannot get up and give you anything." ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for* a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

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

Hymn No. 596 (Seek ye first)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added
unto you;
allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and ye shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened
unto you;
allelu, alleluia!

We shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word that
that proceeds from the mouth of the
Lord;
allelu, alleluia!

The Sermon

[Please stand, if you are able]

The Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God
***who is older than eternity,
and younger than our next breath;
who is beyond describing,
yet knows us all by name;
who inspires faith,
yet cannot be contained by religion.***

We believe in Jesus Christ
flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;
***he came in body
to give worth to every human life.
He touched the untouchable,
loved the unlovable
and endured slander, persecution
and death.***

***We believe that God's Kingdom
comes on earth through Christ's
unconditional love.***

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
***who leads us into truth and
freedom,
who gifts skills and talents to all
God's children,***

who works through prayer and politics, through justice and integrity, through care of creation and the healing of the nations.

Hymn No. 558 (Abba Father)

Abba Father, let me be yours, and yours alone.
May my will for ever be evermore your own.

Never let my heart grow cold,
never let me go.
Abba Father, let me be yours, and yours alone.

[Please kneel or sit]

The Prayers

Let us prepare ourselves for the day and the week before us. Let us bring to God those people or situations that are on our hearts and minds.

Let us pray.

In all things, Father,
may your will be done.

The Lord's Prayer

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions 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.

You may wish to donate to the church online or electronically and the treasurers would be happy to give you the required details.

Hymn No. 80 (Faithfulness)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,
morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

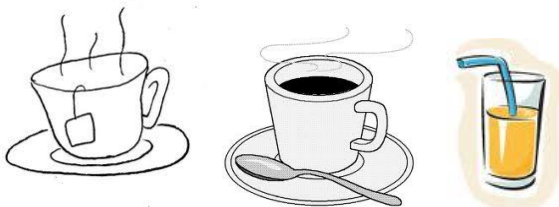
Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

The Blessing

May birds fill the dawn of your day
with song,
may the midday sun caress your
face with warmth,
may honeysuckle scent the evening
breeze around you and may the
summer stars shine bright above you.
And may, God,
the giver of summer song and scent,
the creator of the sun and stars,
touch your life with beauty and fill
your heart with joy,
and bless you, this day and for
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.



Tea/Coffee/Juice

*You are warmly invited to
tea/coffee/juice in the parish hall
after this Service.*

*The parish hall is at the east end of
the church, go through the double
yellow doors, and the hall is on your
right!*

Services next Sunday

- 8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church
10.30 Service of Wholeness and Healing in
St Philip and St James' Church (*live-streamed*)

Services in August 2022

- 8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church
10.30 United Services in St Philip and St
James' Church, which will also be live-
streamed. Holy Communion on the 1st and
3rd Sundays of the month, Morning Prayer
on the 2nd Sunday of the month, Family
Service on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Autumn Fair



After a gap of two years, we are very
excited to be planning an **Autumn
Fair for Saturday 8th October
2022.** The first planning meeting was
held on **Wednesday 22nd June
2022** and there will be another one
shortly – date and time to be confirmed.

We have started the installation of a
new and much-needed heating system
in the church 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!

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

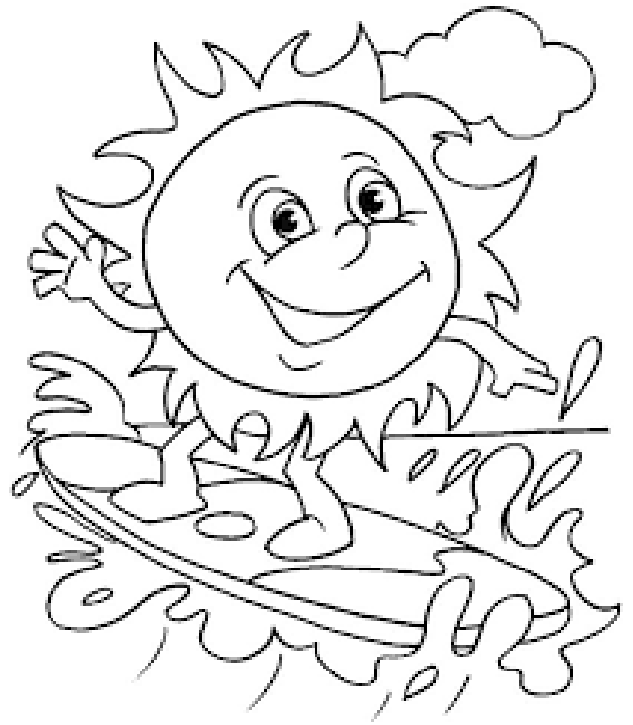
2024 - 200th anniversary of the consecration of St Philip and St James' Church

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



Colouring Section

