

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity  
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# CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



## THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2015  
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11.00

CELEBRANT: THE VERY REVD DPM DUNNE  
PREACHER: THE REVD CANON P COMERFORD

SETTING: WILLIAM BYRD, (1540-1623), MASS FOR FOUR VOICES  
SUNG BY THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

## WELCOME

You are very welcome to this celebration of the Eucharist. Whether you come as a member of the Church of Ireland, an Anglican/Episcopalian from abroad, or as a member of another Christian tradition, we welcome you in the name of the Lord. Christian worship has been offered on this site for nearly one thousand years. Your prayers today are added to those of countless generations of Christ's people.

After the service, some of the cathedral clergy will be near the west door to greet you. **Do please introduce yourselves.** Refreshments will be served in the Crypt.

Our worship follows the pattern of the Church of Ireland's *Book of Common Prayer (2004 edition)*. Where sung texts are in another language a translation is supplied. **Large print copies of this booklet are available on request.**

The settings for the *Kyrie, Sanctus, Benedictus* and *Agnus Dei* are sung by the choir.

**It is not possible to provide wheelchair access for communion at the high altar. Please ask a robed verger if you would like communion to be brought to you.**

## THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent Wreath has four candles in a ring around a white candle. The first candle is lit on Advent Sunday, just before the Gospel; additional candles are lit, one on each Sunday, and the white one on Christmas Day.

Advent is a season of preparation. Each of the four Sundays then reminds us of those who prepared for the coming of Christ.

On the first Sunday we are reminded of the Patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; on the second, the Prophets of the Old Testament.

On the third Sunday, we recall John the Baptist, who calls us to prepare the way of the Lord; on the fourth Sunday we remember Mary, the mother of the Christ child.

# The Gathering of God's People

*The choir sings a section of the Advent Prose in procession.*

*Please stand*

## ADVENT 1

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

Be not wroth very sore O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever: Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee.

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

## The Greeting

In the name of the † Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

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

## The Summary of the Law

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.

*Matthew 22: 37-39*

**Lord, have mercy on us,**

**and write these your laws in our hearts.**

## The Call to Penitence

A voice cries out in the wilderness,

'Make straight the way of the Lord.'

So let us listen, and turn to the Lord in penitence and faith.

*cf John 1.23*

**Kyrie** (*sung by the choir*) Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison; Kyrie eleison.

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

*The priest pronounces 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 goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

Almighty God,  
Give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light  
now in the time of this mortal life  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit*

## **Proclaiming and Receiving the Word**

### **The First Reading**

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

14 The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Psalm**

Psalm 25: 1-9

Unto thee O Lord will I lift up my soul, my God I have put my trust in thee:  
O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. For  
all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed: but such as transgress  
without a cause shall be put to confusion. Shew me thy ways O Lord: and  
teach me thy paths. Lead me forth in thy truth and learn me: for thou art the  
God of my salvation, in thee hath been my hope all the day long. Call to  
remembrance O Lord thy tender mercies and thy loving kindnesses: which  
have been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but  
according to thy mercy think thou upon me O Lord for thy goodness.  
Gracious and righteous is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement: and such as are gentle them shall he learn his way. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and judgement: unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*On each of the four Sundays in this season we will light a candle on the Advent Wreath to remind us of those who prepared the way for the coming of Christ. Today we remember the Patriarchs, the Fathers of Israel, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. The choir sings:*

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors, to you be praise and glory for ever! You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment. May we be obedient to your call and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are our light and our salvation.

*and the people join in singing the response:*



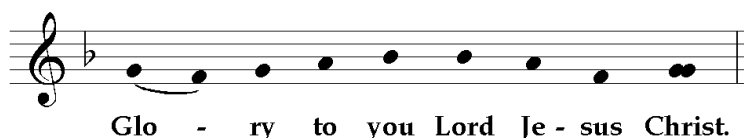
*The deacon then lights the candle*

## The Gospel Reading

Luke 21: 25-36

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St N.

*Response*



*All turn to face the reader*

<sup>25</sup> 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the

waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ <sup>29</sup> Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees;<sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup> ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

This is the gospel of the Lord

*Response*



### The Post-Gospel Hymn

*As the Gospel procession moves East, all sing a hymn in response to the reading.*



**O come, O come, Emmanuel!**  
 Redeem thy captive Israel,  
 That into exile drear is gone  
 Far from the face of God's dear Son.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**O come, thou Wisdom from on high!**  
 Who madest all in earth and sky,  
 Creating man from dust and clay:  
 To us reveal salvation's way.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel*  
*Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, Adonai,  
Who in thy glorious majesty  
From Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,  
Gavest thy folk the ancient law.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Lord of David's Key!  
The royal door fling wide and free;  
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,  
And bar the way to death's abode.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Root of Jesse! draw  
The quarry from the lion's claw;  
From those dread caverns of the grave,  
From nether hell, thy people save.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!  
Pour on our souls thy healing light;  
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,  
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Desire of nations! show  
Thy kingly reign on earth below;  
Thou Corner-stone, uniting all,  
Restore the ruin of our fall.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Tune: Veni Emmanuel  
adapted by Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

Cologne, 1710, based on the Advent Antiphons  
trans. T.A. Lacey (1853-1931) et al.

## The Sermon

### The Affirmation of Faith

*please stand*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people  
of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy  
Spirit. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*All sit or kneel*

*At the end of each prayer*  
Let us sing to the Lord

*The following response is sung by all*  
**Maranatha, Come Lord, Come**

*At the conclusion of the prayers all say*

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

*please stand*

### **The Peace**

*The priest introduces the peace with these words*

In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*The priest says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*Those present may offer one another a sign of peace*

## **Celebrating at the Lord's Table**

### **Offertory Hymn**

*during which a collection is taken up*



Wake, O wake! With tidings thrilling  
The watchmen all the air are filling,  
Arise, Jerusalem, arise!  
Midnight strikes! No more delaying,  
'The hour has come!' We hear them saying.  
Where are ye all, ye virgins wise?  
The Bridegroom comes in sight,  
Raise high your torches bright!  
Alleluya!  
The wedding song  
Swells loud and strong:  
Go forth and join the festal throng.



Sion hears the watchmen shouting,  
Her heart leaps up with joy undoubting,  
    She stand and waits with eager eyes;  
See her Friend from heaven descending,  
Adorned with truth and grace unending!  
    Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.  
    Now come thou precious Crown,  
    Lord Jesu, God's own Son!  
    Hosanna!  
    Let us prepare  
    To follow there,  
Where in thy supper we may share.

Every soul in thee rejoices;  
From men and from angelic voices  
    Be glory given to thee alone!  
Now the gates of pearl receive us,  
Thy presence never more shall leave us,  
    We stand with Angels round thy throne.  
    Earth cannot give below  
    The bliss thou dost bestow.  
    Alleluya!  
    Grant us to raise,  
    To length of days,  
The triumph-chorus of thy praise.

Tune: Wachet auf  
Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); harmony by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Philipp Nicolai  
tr. F. C. Burkitt (1864-1935)

## The Taking of the Bread and Wine

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling place for your glory. **Amen.**

*The priest says*

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us  
**Therefore let us celebrate the feast**

## The Great Thanksgiving

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

Lift up your hearts.  
    **we lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
    **it is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Father, almighty and everliving God,  
at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:  
And now we give you thanks  
because you sent Jesus to redeem us from sin and death  
and to make us inheritors of everlasting life;  
that when he shall come again in power and great triumph  
to judge the world,  
we may with joy behold his appearing,  
and in confidence may stand before him.  
And so with all your people,  
with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

*The choir sings*

**Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

**Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.**

*heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!*

**Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.**

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!*

Blessed are you, Father,

*All remain standing*

the creator and sustainer of all things;

you made us in your own image,

male and female you created us;

even when we turned away from you,

you never ceased to care for us,

but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,

giving your only begotten Son to become man

and suffer death on the cross to redeem us:

he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice

for the sins of the whole world:

he instituted,

and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,

a perpetual memory of his precious death

until he comes again.

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.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;

and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,

and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,  
this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.  
In the same way, after supper he took the cup;  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,  
for 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.

*The choir sings and all repeat each line*

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,  
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit  
that we may be made one in your holy Church  
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,  
that he may dwell in us and we in him:  
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us we are bold to say  
Our Father, **who art in heaven,**  
**hallowed be thy name;**  
**thy kingdom come;**  
**thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread for communion and says*

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.  
**We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## **The Communion**

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God,  
who has taken away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**  
**but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Please sit while the choir sings*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

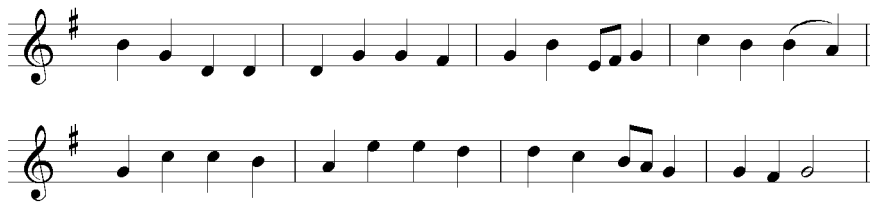
*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.*

*Invited by the vergers, the people come forward to receive communion. wherever you are from and whatever you believe you are welcome to receive at the table of the Lord.*

## The Communion Hymn



**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free,  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.**

**Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a king,  
Born to reign in us for ever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.**

**By thine own eternal Spirit,  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all-sufficient merit  
Raise us to thy glorious throne.**

Tune: Cross of Jesus  
John Stainer (1840-1901)

(Charles Wesley 1707-88)

## Communion Motet

Ego sum panis vivus,  
*I am the living bread*  
qui de cælo descendi.  
*which came down from heaven.*  
Si quis manducaverit ex hoc pane,  
*Whoever eats this bread*  
vivet in æternum. Alleluia.  
*will live forever. Alleluia.*

Juan Esquivel (late 16<sup>th</sup> century)

John 6

## The Great Silence

*The silence is broken by the post-communion prayer.*

# Going Out as God's People

## Prayer after Communion

God our deliverer,  
Awaken our hearts  
to prepare the way for the advent of your Son,  
that, with minds purified by the grace of his coming,  
we may serve you faithfully all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

*All say:*

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Post-communion Hymn



Lo! he comes with clouds descending,  
Once for favoured sinners slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending  
Swell the triumph of his train:  
Alleluya!  
God appears, on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him  
Robed in dreadful majesty;  
Those who set at nought and sold him,  
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,  
Deeply wailing,  
Shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of his Passion  
Still his dazzling body bears,  
Cause of endless exultation  
To his ransomed worshippers:  
With what rapture  
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,  
High on thine eternal throne;  
Saviour, take the power and glory:  
Claim the kingdom for thine own:  
O come quickly!  
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

Tune: Helmsley  
Melody noted by T. Olivers (1725-99)  
Included in Wesley's *Select Hymns* 1765

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

## The Blessing & Dismissal

*The priest blesses the people with these words*

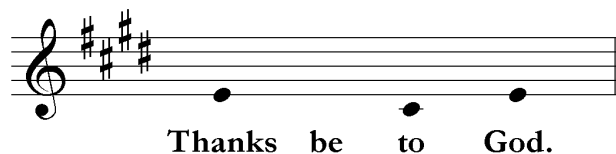
Christ the sun of righteousness shine upon you,  
scatter the darkness from your path,  
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

*The priest or the deacon says or sings*

**Go in the peace of Christ.**

*All reply*



*Please stand for the procession of choir and clergy and sit for the*

## Organ Voluntary

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV645

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*which concludes the service*



The Friends of the Cathedral are pleased to invite members of the congregation to tea and coffee in the crypt after the service.



# ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

## CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

*Sunday 29th November*  
11am Sung Eucharist  
Byrd, Mass for four voices  
Esquivel, Ego sum panis vivus

5pm Advent Procession  
Unticketed

*Sunday 6th December*  
11am Sung Eucharist  
Howells, Collegium Regale (Eucharist)  
Esquivel, Vox clamantis in deserto

3.30pm Choral Evensong  
Stanford in C  
Stanford, Benedictus in C

*Wednesday 9th December*  
Carols by Candlelight concert  
Tickets from [christchurchcathedral.ie](http://christchurchcathedral.ie)

*Thursday 10th December*  
Carols by Candlelight concert  
Tickets from [christchurchcathedral.ie](http://christchurchcathedral.ie)

*Sunday 13th December*  
11am Sung Eucharist  
Darke in E  
Gibbons, This is the record of John

3.30pm Choral Evensong  
Howells, Collegium Regale (Canticles)  
Joubert, There is no rose

*Sunday 20th December*  
11am Sung Eucharist  
Dove, Missa Brevis  
Guerrero, Ave virgo sanctissima

3.30pm Choral Evensong  
Sung by the voluntary choir

*Monday 21st December*  
8pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols  
Unticketed

*Christmas Eve*  
11pm Midnight Eucharist  
Vierne, Messe Solennelle  
Poulenc, Hodie Christus natus est

*Christmas Day*  
11am Festal Sung Eucharist  
Haydn, Missa Sancti Nicolai  
Rutter, Nativity Carol

*Feast of the Epiphany*  
Wednesday 6 January  
6pm Eucharist  
Victoria, Missa O Magnum Mysterium  
Clemens non Papa, Magi veniunt ab oriente

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