

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity
commonly called

CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2022
THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT
11.00

PREACHER: THE REVD CANON SONIA GYLES

SETTING: COMMUNION SERVICE IN F, HERBERT SUMSION (1899-1995)

SUNG BY THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Gloria *(sung by the choir)*

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

Domine Deus, Rex coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus altissimus,

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,

Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

With the Holy Spirit art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; 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

Exodus 34: 29-35

A reading from the book of Exodus:

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but

whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 96: 1-9

1. O sing unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
2. Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.
3. Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.
4. For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.
5. As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
6. Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.
7. Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
8. Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.
9. O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 3: 12 - 4: 2

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

please stand

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified;
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

All sit or kneel

Lord, in your mercy; hear our prayer

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

Christ will transfigure our human body and give it a form like that of his own glorious body. We are the body of Christ. We share his 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



Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown;
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every waiting heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Tune: Blaenwern
William Penfro Rowlands (1860–1937)

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

The Preparation of the Altar

at the taking of the bread and wine the priest says

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life,
and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

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 the divine glory of the incarnate Word
shone forth upon the holy mountain
before the chosen witnesses of his majesty;
and your own voice from heaven proclaimed your beloved Son.

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,
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:

All remain standing

he instituted,
and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,
a perpetual memory of his precious death
until he comes again.

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 ri - sen



Christ will come a - gain.

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.

Communion Motet

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste.

He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

Song of Songs 2: 3, 4

The Great Silence

The silence is broken by the post-communion prayer.

Going Out as God's People

Prayer after Communion

Holy God

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

May we who are partakers at his table

reflect his life in word and deed,

that all the world may know

his power to change and save.

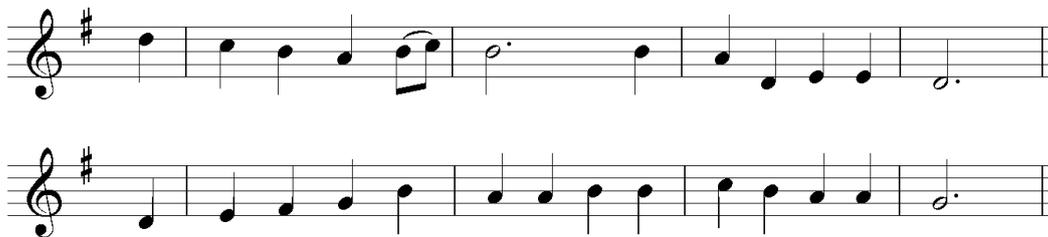
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

Postcommunion Hymn



**Soldiers of Christ, arise,
And put your armour on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through his eternal Son;**

**Strong in the Lord of Hosts,
And in his mighty power:
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.**

**Stand then in his great might,
With all his strength endued;
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God.**

**Leave no unguarded place,
No weakness of the soul:
Take every virtue, every grace,
And fortify the whole.**

**From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle, and fight, and pray;
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day.**

**That, having all things done,
And all your conflicts past,
Ye may o'ercome through Christ alone,
And stand entire at last.**

Tune: St Ethelwald
W.H. Monk (1823-1889)

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

The Blessing & Dismissal

The priest blesses the people with these words

Christ Jesus, the splendour of the Father and the image of his being,
draw you to himself that you may live in his light and share his 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 priest or the deacon says or sings

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

The choir and the people sing



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

Organ Voluntary

which concludes the service

Coming Up

Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, 2 March, 18.00



**CATHEDRAL
NIGHTS**
Pause. Breathe. Pray.

Cathedral Nights: Refuge and Stronghold

9, 23, and 30 March and 6 April

19.00-20.00

The journey through Lent provides an annual opportunity to set aside extra time for reflection and to be open to experiencing renewal. Each session will include *lectio divina* style reflection on 1-2 of the Sunday lectionary readings, allowing space for silence, sharing and suggestions for prayer. Contact the Dean's Vicar on abigail@christchurch.ie for further information.

Can you help?

Donations Needed

Asylum seekers housed in emergency accommodation around Dublin can have difficulty in the first few weeks accessing basic services and navigating the International Protection procession. A little help at this time can be incredibly meaningful for those who are trying to find their feet in a new place. Donations of Leap cards with €20 value or store vouchers (Tesco, Dunnes, One4All, etc.) with value of €30 would be much appreciated. Donations can be dropped in to the cathedral Welcome Desk, or posted to the cathedral to the attention of the Revd Abigail Sines. Please contact the Dean's Vicar on abigail@christchurch.ie for more information.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking forward to resuming tea and coffee after our Sunday morning services from April! Would you be able to be part of the rota? Please contact the Dean on dean@christchurch.ie if you would like to volunteer.