The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity commonly called

CHRIST CHURCH DUBLIN



SERVICE OF EUCHARIST WITH CONFIRMATION

SUNDAY 28 MAY 2023

15.30

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER

THE MOST REVEREND, THE ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN AND BISHOP OF GLENDALOUGH

SETTING: FRANCIS JACKSON, (1917–2022), COMMUNION SERVICE IN G SUNG BY THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

We are delighted to welcome the confirmation candidates, along with their family and friends who have joined them this afternoon

St Catherine's Parish Donore

Avenue

Christian DeValera

Emma Ogbata

Oscar Monaghan

Narraghmore, Timolin, Castledermot & Kinneagh

Charlie Higginson

Alex Treacy Lawlor

Lloyd Tomkins

Donoughmore, Donard Dunlavin

Ciara Blake

Pippa Mills

Ellen & Rachel O'Toole

Fiona Manly

Reece Fenton

Kate Ryan

Ruben Dowzer

Isla case

Adam Barrett

Emma Collie & Ella Lawless

Tallagh Parish

Alex Nolan.

Kill o the Grange Candidates

Chloe Doyle

Daniel Clabby

David Little

Emily Groves

Jamie McGibney

Richie Mukasa

Ross McGrath

Scott Kemmis

Blessington Parish

Holly Gilmore

Ben Keogh

Amy Darker

Gracie Phipps

Ian Johnston

Luke Gallagher

James Sampson Beattie

Lorelle Houlihan

Olly Cains

Séighin Beattie

Brooke Fox

Santry, Finglas and Glasnevin

Parish

Leo Ceol Casey

Dylan Michael O'Sullivan Gilmartin

Lilly Ann Caswell

Eva Elizabeth Cooper

Vanessa Aisling Darby

Ryan Leslie Taylor

Darren Ulogwara

Catherine Jacks

Celbrdge & Straffan with

Newcastle Lyons

Kaelan Brooks

Olivia Lanigan

Annie Leach

Robyn Kerins

Christ Church Cathedral

Debbie Owanalu

Edwin Giles

Zoë Haslam

We pray every blessing for them as they continue on their journey of faith!

The Gathering of God's People

Processional Hymn



O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory,
There shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow
My Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end,
And then in heaven receive me;
My Saviour and my Friend.

Tune: Wolvercote William H. Ferguson (1874–1950)

The Greeting

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

The Call to Penitence

The archbishop introduces the service and then says:

Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy, and confess that we need forgiveness.

Kyrie sung by the choir

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

The archbishop 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 for Confirmation

Heavenly Father,
by water and the Holy Spirit
you give your faithful people new life:
Guide and strengthen us by that same Spirit
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,
and grow into the full stature of your Son Jesus Christ,
who lives 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 Acts 2:1-21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm sung by the choir

Psalm 145: 1-12

I will magnify thee, O God, my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I give thanks unto thee : and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised:

there is no end of his greatness.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another : and declare thy power.

As for me, I will be talking of thy worship: thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts: and I will also tell of thy greatness.

The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed : and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful: long-suffering and of great goodness.

The Lord is loving unto every man: and his mercy is over all his works.

All thy works praise thee, O Lord : and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;

That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom: might be known unto men.

please stand

John 20: 19-23

The Gospel Reading

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

Response



All turn to face the reader

It was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

This is the gospel of the Lord

Response



The Sermon

Confirmation Motet

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, and lighten our understanding that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name all the days of our life: That we may know thee, the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

The Presentation

The archbishop asks the candidates together:

Have you been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?

I have.

Are you ready with your own mouth and from your own heart to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?

I am.

The archbishop asks the clergy who have been responsible for the pastoral care of the candidates Have these persons been carefully prepared in their understanding of the Christian faith?

I believe they have.

The Decision

The candidates respond to these questions together

In baptism, God calls us from darkness to his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all proud rebellion against God? **I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour? **I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life? **I come to Christ.**

The archbishop says to the congregation

You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ.

Will you support them in this calling?

We will support them.

The Profession of Faith

The archbishop asks the candidates

Do you believe and accept the Christian faith into which you are baptized? **I do.**

The congregation stands

The archbishop addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates the faith of the Church.

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 power of 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.

Please sit

The Confirmation

The archbishop says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord; who made heaven and earth.
Blessed be the name of the Lord: now, and for ever. Amen.

Following silence, the archbishop prays the confirmation prayer

Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ was crucified and rose again to break the power of sin and death:
We give you thanks and praise for the gift of your Holy Spirit by whom your servants have been born again and made your children.

Grant that in the power of the same Holy Spirit they may continue to grow in the knowledge and likeness of Christ; increase in them your gracious gifts, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and inward strength, the spirit of knowledge and godly living; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of reverence for you.

Guided by the vergers, the candidates come forward by rows for the confirmation.

Those who are to be confirmed stand before the archbishop, who anoints and lays a hand upon each saying:

......God has called you by name and made you his own.

Confirm O Lord your servant...... with your heavenly grace, that (s)he may continue to be yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until (s)he comes to your eternal kingdom.

And each one of them answers: $\mathbf{Amen.}$

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The archbishop continues:

Heavenly Father, we pray for your servants upon whom we have now laid our hands, after the example of the apostles, to assure them by this sign of your favour towards them.

May your fatherly hand ever be over them.

Let your Holy Spirit ever be with them.

Lead them to know and obey your word, and keep them in eternal life;

The Commission

Those who are baptized are called to worship and serve God. Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers? With the help of God I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? With the help of God I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ? With the help of God I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people, loving your neighbour as yourself? With the help of God I will.

The Peace Please stand

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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 for Archiepiscopal purposes



To God be the glory! Great things He has done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory! Great things He has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To every believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He has taught us, great things He has done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Tune: To God be the glory William Howard Doane (1832-1915)

Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915) based on Revelation 15: 3-4

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

at the taking of the bread and wine the priest says

Father, by your Holy Spirit you keep the Church in unity and truth. As we break bread together, may we be one with Christ in faith and hope and love, now and for ever. **Amen**

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:

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,

holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,

through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us,

filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,

and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,

to proclaim your gospel to all nations

and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,

and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,

to proclaim the glory of your name,

for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings

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:

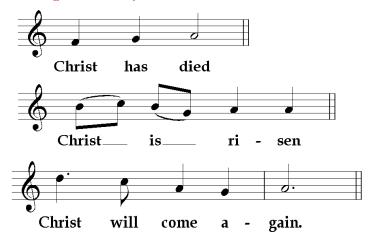
he instituted,

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

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



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

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Jesus Christ is holy,

Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father

Please sit while the choir sings

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

Guided by the vergers, the people come forward to receive communion. If you require a gluten free wafer please indicate this to the priest.

Listen sweet dove unto my song,
And spread thy golden wings in me;
Hatching my tender heart so long,
Till it get wing, and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow,

That th' earth did like a heav'n appeare;

The starres were coming down to know

If they might mend their wages, and serve here.

The sunne, which once did shine alone,
Hung down his head, and wisht for night,
When he beheld twelve sunnes for one
Going about the world, and giving light.

Lord, though we change, thou art the same;
The same sweet God of love and light:
Restore this day, for thy great name,
Unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

from The Temple by George Herbert (1593–1632)

The Great Silence

The silence is broken by the post communion prayer:

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Post-communion Hymn



Go forth and tell! O Church of God, awake! God's saving news to all the nations take: proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour, Lord and King, that all the world his worthy praise may sing.

Go forth and tell! God's love embraces all; he will in grace respond to all who call: how shall they call if they have never heard the gracious invitation of his word?

Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide: share God's good gifts—let no-one be denied; live out your life as Christ you Lord shall choose, your ransomed powers for his sole glory use.

Go forth and tell! O Church of God, arise! Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies; go till the nations his great name adore and serve him, Lord and King for evermore.

Tune: Woodlands

Walter Greatorex (1877–1949)

James E. Seddon (1915–1983)

The priest blesses the people with these words

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God; 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

Fantasia super 'Komm, Heiliger Geist' BWV 651 JS Bach (1685-1750)

which concludes the service