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CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL DUBLIN



THE ORDINATION OF PRIESTS

SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2023

15.30

CELEBRANT: THE LORD ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN & BISHOP OF GLENDALOUGH
PREACHER: REVD DAVID WHITE

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*Our warmest welcome to the Revds Jane Burns and Scott Evans,
along with their families and friends who are with us today!*

Introit

O come, ye servants of the Lord,
and praise His holy name
From early morn to setting sun,
His might on earth proclaim.
His laws are just, and glad the heart:
He makes His mercies known.
Ye princes come, ye people too,
and bow before His throne.

Christopher Tye (1505-1573)

English contrafactum of Laudate nomen Domini

Please stand for the procession of choir and clergy

The Gathering of God's People

The 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.

The Archbishop says

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

We are the body of Christ.

By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:

One God and Father of all.

Saint Paul wrote:

Just as in a single human body there are many limbs and organs, all with different functions, so we who are united with Christ, though many, form one body, and belong to one another as its limbs and organs. We have gifts allotted to each of us by God's grace.

Romans 12: 5, 6

Today, giving thanks for the variety of gifts and ministries that God has bestowed on the Church, we have come together to admit to the order of priests those whom we believe God has chosen for this particular ministry within the body, seeking by prayer with the laying on of hands the bestowal of the Holy Spirit for that office and work. In doing so we are maintaining the historic threefold ministry of bishops, priests and deacons which this Church has received.

Each candidate is presented by sponsors to the Archbishop, with the words:

Archbishop, we present to be ordained priest.

After all candidates have been presented the Archbishop asks

Archdeacon, are those responsible for their selection and training satisfied that they are called and ready to be ordained priest in the Church of God?

Answer They are satisfied.

The Archbishop says to each candidate

.... , do you believe in your heart that God has called you to the office and work of a priest in his Church?

Answer I believe that God has called me.

Archbishop

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God our Father,

Lord of all the world, we thank you that through your Son,
you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church.

Hear our prayer for your faithful people

that in their vocation and ministry they may be instruments of your love,

and give to these your servants now to be ordained

the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please sit

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

The First Reading

Isaiah 61: 1-3a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion – to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated

The Psalm

Psalm 145: 1 – 7, 21

Teach me O Lord the way of thy statutes:

and I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding and I shall keep thy law:

yea I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments:

for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto thy testimonies:

and not to covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes lest they behold vanity:

and quicken thou me in thy way.

O stablish thy word in thy servant:

that I may fear thee.

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5: 14 – 19

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

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

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

The Gospel Reading

John 20: 19 – 23

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

Response



Glo - ry to you Lord Je - sus Christ.

All turn to face the reader

It was evening on 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



Praise___ to you Lord Je - sus Christ.

The Sermon

please sit

The Nicene Creed

please stand

Mindful of our baptism we proclaim the faith of the universal church:

**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 Rite of Ordination

The Declarations

The candidates stand before the Archbishop, and the people sit. The Archbishop says

Priests in the Church of God are called to work with the bishop and with other priests as servants and shepherds among the people to whom they are sent.

They are to proclaim the Word of the Lord, to call those who hear to repentance, and in Christ's name to pronounce absolution and to declare the forgiveness of sins.

They are to baptize and to catechise.

They are to preside at the celebration of the Holy Communion.

They are to lead God's people in prayer and worship, to intercede for them, to bless them in the name of the Lord, and to teach and encourage them by word and example.

They are to minister to the sick and to prepare the dying for their death.

They must always set the Good Shepherd before them as the pattern of their calling, caring for the people committed to their charge and joining with them in a common witness, that the world may know God's glory and love.

The Archbishop says to those who are to be ordained

In the name of our Lord we ask you to remember the greatness of the trust now to be committed to your charge. You are to be messengers, watchers and stewards of the Lord; you are to teach and to admonish, to feed and provide for the Lord's family, to search for God's children in the wilderness of the world's temptations and to guide them through its confusions, so that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Your ministry will be one of joy as well as of responsibility, of happiness as well as of diligence. Yet remember in your heart that if it should come about that the Church, or any of its members, is hurt or hindered by reason of your neglect, your fault will be great and God's judgement will follow. So pray constantly for his mercy and for the grace you will need to fulfil your call.

We trust that, supported by the prayers and encouragement of the household of faith, you long ago began to weigh and ponder all these things, and that you are fully determined, by the grace of God, to give yourselves wholly to his service.

We trust that you will devote to him your best powers of mind and spirit, so that, as you daily follow the rule and teaching of our Lord, with the heavenly assistance of his Holy Spirit, you may grow into his likeness, and lead into holiness the lives of all with whom you have to do.

In order that we may know your mind and purpose, and that you may be strengthened in your resolve to fulfil your ministry, you must make the declarations we now put to you.

Do you believe and accept the holy Scriptures as revealing all things necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ?

Answer I do.

Do you believe and accept the doctrine of the Christian faith as the Church of Ireland has received it?

Answer I do.

In your ministry will you expound the Scriptures and teach that doctrine?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you accept the discipline of this Church and give due respect to those set over you in the Lord?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you be diligent in prayer, in reading holy Scripture, and in all studies that will deepen your faith and fit you to uphold the truth of the Gospel?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you strive to fashion your own life and family relationships according to the way of Christ?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you be faithful in visiting the sick, in caring for the poor and needy, and in helping the oppressed?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you encourage God's people to be good stewards of their gifts, that every member may be equipped for the work of ministering, and that the Body of Christ be built up in love?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you promote unity, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among those whom you serve?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

Will you then, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, continually stir up the gift of God that is in you, to make Christ known to all people?

Answer By the help of God, I will.

The Archbishop presents the candidates to the people, and says

You have heard the testimony of those who present these candidates for ordination, and also their own declarations made before you. Those whose duty it is to inquire about these persons and examine them have also found them to be of godly life and sound learning, and believe them to be duly called to serve God in this ministry.

If any of you knows sufficient cause why any of these persons should not be ordained priest, come forward and make it known.

Is it therefore your will that they should be ordained?

It is.

Will you uphold them in their ministry?

We will.

The people remain seated as the choir stands

PRAYERS

Archbishop

Because none of us can bear the weight of this ministry in our own strength, but only by the grace and power of God, let us pray earnestly for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on these persons.

Let us pray also that God will each day enlarge and enlighten their understanding of the Scriptures, so that they may grow stronger and more mature in their ministry, as they fashion their lives and the lives of their people on the Word of God.

The Litany

all kneel or sit as the litany is sung

Please join in the singing of the response to each petition



Have mer- cy on us.
Save us, good Lord.
Save us, Lord Christ.
Hear us, good Lord.
Give us your peace.

God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,
have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, giver of life,
have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,
three Persons in one God,
have mercy on us.

Save us, good Lord:
from all sin and wickedness,
from pride, hypocrisy and conceit,
from envy, hatred and malice, and all uncharitableness,
save us, good Lord.

From sins of thought, word and deed,
from the lusts of the flesh,
from the deceits of the world and the snares of the devil,
save us, good Lord.

From fire, storm and flood,
from disease, pestilence and want,
from war and murder, and from dying unprepared,
save us, good Lord.

From all false doctrine,
from hardness of heart,
and from contempt of your word and commandment,
save us, good Lord.

In times of sorrow and in times of joy,
in the hour of death,
and in the day of judgement,
save us, good Lord.

Save us, Lord Christ:
by the mystery of your holy incarnation,
by your birth, childhood and obedience,
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,
save us, Lord Christ.

By your ministry in word and work,
by your mighty acts of power,
and by your preaching of the kingdom,
save us, Lord Christ.

By your agony and trial,
by your cross and passion,
and by your precious death and burial,
save us, Lord Christ.

By your mighty resurrection,
by your glorious ascension,
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,
save us, Lord Christ.

Hear us, good Lord:
govern and direct your holy Church,
fill it with love and truth, and grant it that unity which is your will,
hear us, good Lord.

Give your Church courage to preach the gospel
and to make disciples of all the nations,
hear us, good Lord.

Give knowledge and understanding to bishops, priests and deacons,
that by their life and teaching they may proclaim your word,
hear us, good Lord.

Bless your servants now to be made priests
that they may faithfully serve your Church
and reveal your glory in the world,
hear us, good Lord.

Give all people grace to receive your word
and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,
hear us, good Lord.

Bring all who have erred and are deceived into the way of truth,
hear us, good Lord.

Saviour of the world, forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done, and
left undone; grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit that we may amend our lives
according to your holy word, and share with all your people the joys of your
eternal kingdom.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

Archbishop

Lord, you are merciful and forgive our sins. You hear those who pray in the
name of your Son. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may obtain
according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence is kept

Please remain seated to sing



**Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:**

**Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.**

**Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song.**

**Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Tune: Veni Creator (Mechlin)
Plainsong mode viii

John Cosin (1594-1672)
based on Veni, creator Spiritus

The Ordination Prayer with the Laying on of Hands

*The Archbishop stands with the assisting priests beside him.
The candidates kneel before the Archbishop, who says*

**Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.**

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

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father,
because, in your infinite love, you have formed throughout the world a holy
people for your own possession, a royal priesthood, a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you because you have given us your only Son Jesus
Christ, the image of your eternal and invisible glory, the firstborn of all
creation, and head of the Church.

We praise and glorify you that by his death he has overcome death; and that, having ascended into heaven, he has poured out gifts abundantly to equip your people for the work of ministry and the building up of his body.

And now we give you thanks that you have called these your servants, whom we ordain in your name to share this ministry entrusted to your Church.

Here the Archbishop and priests lay their hands on the head of each candidate.

The Archbishop says

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon your servant
for the office and work of a priest in your Church.

The Archbishop then continues

Give to these your servants grace and power to fulfil the ministry to which they are called, to proclaim the gospel of your salvation; to minister the sacraments of the new covenant; to watch over and care for your people; to pronounce absolution; and to bless them in your name.

As you have called them to your service make them worthy of their calling. Give them wisdom and discipline to work faithfully with all their fellow servants in Christ that the world may come to know your glory and your love.

Accept our prayers, most merciful Father, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever. Amen.

Each newly-ordained priest is now vested with a stole

The Archbishop gives a bible to each priest saying

Receive this Book,
as a sign of the authority which God has given you this day
to preach the Word and to minister his holy sacraments.

The Archbishop gives a chalice and paten to each priest saying

Celebrate with joy the sacraments of the New Covenant.

The archbishop anoints each priest saying:

May God who anointed the Christ with the Holy Spirit at his baptism anoint and empower you.

The Archbishop presents the newly-ordained priests to the congregation saying

Brothers and sisters in Christ, I present to you these persons
who has been ordained priest in the Church of God.

The congregation responds

We greet you in the Name of the Lord

The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God,
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace
to those who were far off and to those who were near.

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

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

The Offertory Hymn

during which a collection will be taken up



I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord...

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide,
'Til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord...

At the Preparation of the Table

The Archbishop says

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread. **Amen.**

The Taking of the Bread and Wine

The Archbishop 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:
Within the royal priesthood of your Church
you ordain ministers to proclaim your word, to care for your people
and to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant:
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!

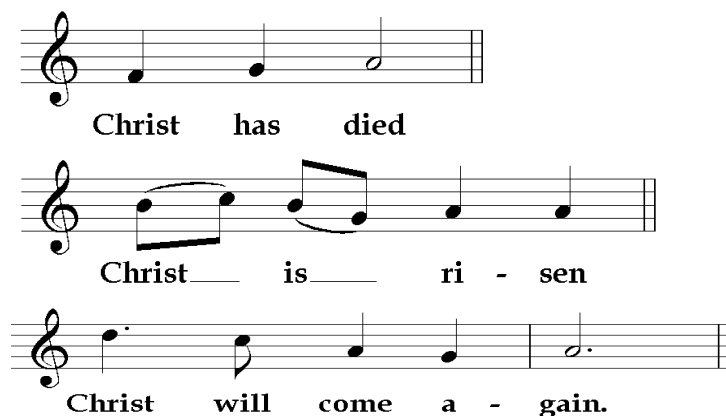
All remain standing

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:
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.

The image shows three lines of musical notation on a five-line staff. Each line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first line contains three quarter notes: C4, E4, and G4. The second line contains a quarter note C4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note A4. The third line contains a quarter note C4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note A4. Each line ends with a double bar 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 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 will be distributed from in front of the screen. Please remain seated until invited by the stewards and directed to the appropriate location. There are gluten-free hosts available for those with a gluten intolerance. Please indicate to the priest.

The Communion Motet

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor;
He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted,
to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to preach the
acceptable year of the Lord;
to give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes,
the oil of joy for mourning,
the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;
That they might be called trees of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord that He might be glorified.

For as the earth bringeth forth her bud,
and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; So the Lord God
will cause righteousness and praise to
spring forth before all nations.

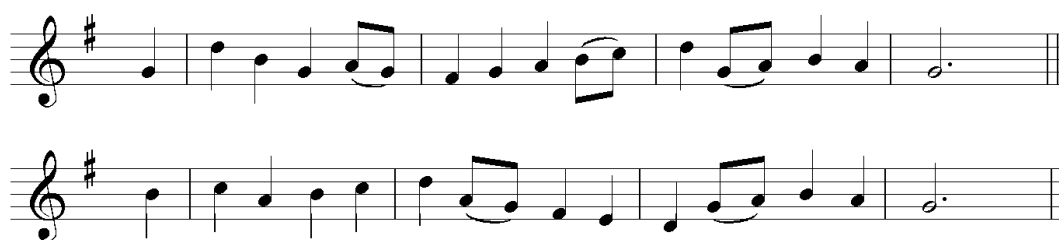
Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Isaiah 61 vv. 1-3, 11

The Great Silence

*When all have received Communion silence is kept. The silence is broken by the singing of the Post
Communion Hymn*

Post-communion Hymn



In Christ there is no east or west,
In him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close-binding all mankind.

In Christ now meet both east and west.
In him meet south and north;
All Christly souls are one in him,
Throughout the whole wide earth.

Tune: St. Stephen
William Jones (1726–1800)

John Oxenham (1852–1941)

Going Out as God's People

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you have chosen and ordained these your servants
to be ministers and stewards of your word and sacraments
and given them the will to undertake these things:
Give them also the strength to perform them,
that they may complete that work
which you have begun in them;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

The Archbishop says

Almighty God,
stir up in you the gifts of his grace,
sustain each one of you in your ministry;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The newly-ordained priests stand before the Archbishop, who says

Remember always with thanksgiving
that the treasure now entrusted to you is Christ's own flock,
bought through the shedding of his own blood on the cross.
The Church and the congregation among whom you will minister
are one with him; they are his body.
Go forth to serve them with joy,
build them up in faith,
and do all in your power to bring them
to loving obedience to Christ.

The Deacon sings:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

and the choir and the people sing



Please remain standing for the procession of choir and clergy and sit for the

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Komm heilger Geist BWV 651 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

which concludes the service

Please join us for light refreshments in the south transept directly following the service.

Psalm Studies

Every day in the Cathedral's worship we read the psalms. The psalms are some of the most beautiful poetry ever written, and they contain every human state from elation to depression, hope to fear and anger to joy. Their lilting cadences comfort, encourage, inspire, equip and challenge us as we walk through life with God day by day. The psalms treat issues of perennial relevance like self-knowledge, journeying, mental illness, nationalism, colonialism and the Other.

This autumn join Edwin, our Dean's Vicar, for a series of discussions on the psalms, and have the opportunity to choose your favourite psalm for discussion!

We will meet in the Cathedral on Monday 11 September at 6.00 pm, and on each following Monday on Zoom, until 2 October, when we will meet in person, and then on Zoom again until 6 November, when we will gather in person again for our concluding session.

To help us plan for numbers at our in-person meetings please email deansvicar@christchurch.ie to indicate your interest.



