

SUNG EUCHARIST

Sunday 13th February 2022 11.00am The Third Sunday before Lent

Today the Dean is preaching in St Ann's, Dawson Street, Dublin at their 'Black Santa Service'

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. Face coverings must be worn when entering and exiting the building, and when singing the hymns. We request members of the congregation to wear face coverings throughout the service. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens. Under government guidance for the purposes of keeping Contact Tracing Records it is essential that you complete the following information. These will be retained for 21 days, after which they will be destroyed. Thank you.

PLEASE PLACE THIS PAGE OF THE ORDER OF SERVICE IN THE BOX AT THE WEST END OF THE CATHEDRAL AS YOU LEAVE

Name(s):___

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Baptised members of Christian churches are welcome to join in this Eucharist.

It is the Lord's table and this invitation is given in his name.

The Eucharist will be celebrated and distributed in accordance with the Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland. As a result, Communion will be in **one kind only** today.

If you wish to receive communion, please move to the Quire Steps when directed by the cathedral wardens. Those seated on the North (left) side of the Nave will move first, then those seated on the South (right) side afterwards.

Please keep Im social distance at all times and continue wearing your face covering until you return to your seat. Only then remove your face covering to take the wafer bread.

Please indicate if you require a Gluten-free wafer.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please keep your hands by your side or cross your arms.

Post-service Refreshments have been re-instated!

Once the organ voluntary has ended, and you are guided by the cathedral wardens, you may wish to collect a coffee or tea from the West End of the Cathedral.

However to minimise the risk of spreading Covid, please be seated at the west end of the Nave before removing your mask, OR take your drink to the cathedral steps outside (weather permitting).

PLEASE DO NOT CONGREGATE AROUND THE SERVING TABLES.

Thank you.

Please do not make video recordings or take photographs during the service

Organ Prelude: Elegy George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

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All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.
God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought; splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.
Still from earth to God eternal

sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) altd. based on Joachim Neander (1650-80) Tune NEH 333: MICHAEL Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

THE GREETING

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

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new. 2 *Corinthians 5:17*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PENITENCE

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.

Lord, have mercy on us, and write these your laws in our hearts.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace:

Please kneel or sit in silence

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned in thought and word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may walk in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

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.**

Please stand whilst the cantor sings the **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**:

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnum gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili Unigenite, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ,

only begotten Son, lesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, Filius Patris, you take away the sins of the world, qui tollis peccata mundi, have mercy on us; miserere nobis: you take away the sins of the world, qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostrum. receive our prayer. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu For you alone are the Holy One, you solus Dominus. alone are the Lord. tu solus Altissimus, you alone are the Most High. lesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen. in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Setting: Missa parvula, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies (1934-2016)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: Give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise; that, among the many changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD

Please sit for the EPISTLE READING: | Corinthians 15:12-20

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. Please stand to sing HYMN 385*:





Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking, as the gospel words unfold; we, in all our age-long seeking, find no firmer truth to hold.

Word of God's forgiveness granted to the wild or guilty soul, word of love that works undaunted, changes, heals and makes us whole.

Speak to us, O Lord, believing, as we hear, the sower sows; may our hearts, your word receiving, be the good ground where it grows.

Words: H.C.A. Gaunt (1902-83) based on Mark 4:1-20 Tune NEH 357: SUSSEX English traditional melody arr. R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Please remain standing to sing the **ALLELUIA**:



'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth: because you have revealed these things to infants.' *Matthew* 11:25

Please remain standing for THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:17-26

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.



Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.'



SERMON by the Reverend Canon Mark Niblock, Dean's Vicar

Please stand and face east to say the **NICENE CREED**:

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.



Please kneel or sit

Let us pray to God to bless the Church and the world.

Holy Father, guard the Church in holiness and keep her safe from the snares of worldly power and success. May she herself receive, and also bring to many, the blessings promised in the gospel.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Come in mercy to those who govern with authority, to the rich and to those who hold themselves in high esteem. Save them from the errors of pride; give them the humility which works in love and service for others. Grant to the poor of the world relief to enable them to live in full human dignity.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Keep us mindful of the many blessings we have received through our lives and give the same grace to our families, friends and neighbours and those with whom we work. Grant clear vision and right judgement to all in this community.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick, the sorrowful, the hungry and those in need, especially those within this cathedral community. We pray too for all who are slandered and persecuted for their faith. Have mercy on their affliction and grant them the healing touch of your love.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for those who after the joys and sorrows of this life have found their heavenly reward. Grant that our lives here may be pure and holy and that at last we may be joined with them.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We ask that you grant us courage and strength as we continue to live with the implications of Covid-19, remembering those suffering at present and those who have lost loved ones. Bless all who work in healthcare and medical research, and those with leadership responsibilities.

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

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

Please stand for **THE PEACE**

Jesus said, A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. John 13:34 The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

Please remain standing to sing HYMN 553*:



Jesu, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high; hide me, O my Saviour, hide, till the storm of life be past; safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find; raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind; Just and holy is thy Name; I am all unrighteousness; false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound: make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee,
spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88) Tune 383(1): HOLLINGSIDE John Bacchus Dykes (1823-76)



Please remain standing

How can I repay the Lord for all the benefits he has given to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Psalm 116:12-14

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us therefore let us celebrate the feast.



Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

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 cantor sings the **SANCTUS**:

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Setting: Missa parvula, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies (1934-2016)

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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded: we remember his passion and death, we celebrate his resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

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.

Please kneel or sit

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has 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 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.

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 remain seated whilst the cantor sings the **AGNUS DEI**:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata	Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
mundi, miserere nobis.	the world, have mercy on us.
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mundi, miserere nobis.	the world, have mercy on us.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata	Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
mundi, dona nobis pacem.	the world, grant us peace.
•	Setting: Missa parvula, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies (1934-2016)

THE COMMUNION

Please observe the guidance of the Church Wardens and follow the directions as printed at the beginning of this order of service

Organ music: Tierce en Taille (Messe pour les Couvents) François Couperin (1668-1733)

During communion the cantor sings the **ANTHEM:** Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode. The Lord who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to dwell in lowliness with all, their pattern and their king.

Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart and for his dwelling and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be; give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple meet for thee. Words: vv. 1& 3 John Keble (1792-1866) vv. 2&4 W.J. Hall (1703-1861) based on Matthew 5:8 Music: Anthony Baldwin (b.1957)

THE GREAT SILENCE

When all have received communion, the presiding minster, other ministers and people keep silence for reflection



GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, you gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger. Draw us to our Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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.

Please stand to sing HYMN 251*:





Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise; sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise; he who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, we are risen; shed upon us heavenly grace, rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face; so that we, with hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be; and by angel-hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high! Alleluia to the Saviour, who has gained the victory! Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity! Alleluia, alleluia to the blessed Trinity!

> Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-85) Tune NEH 103: LUX EOI Arthur Sullivan (1842-1900)

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: 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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen. Organ Postlude: Chorale and Fugue James Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move Thank you



We are pleased to re-introduce refreshments following the service. Please avail of these, following the directions at the beginning of this order of service.

We are appealing for volunteers to assist with providing refreshments on rotation, please consider signing up for this.

Please join us this afternoon at 3.30pm for Said Evening Prayer

Sunday 20th February 2022: The Second Sunday before Lent

I I.00am Choral Eucharist Preacher: Mrs Gillian McGaughey, Diocesan Reader

> 3.30pm Choral Evensong For Scouting's "Founder's Day"

Revision of the Cathedral Register of General Vestry Members

The Cathedral Register of General Vestry Members is now open for revision. If you have subscribed to cathedral parish finances in the past year and are over 18 you are eligible to register. Please complete one of the Registration Forms at the West End as directed by the Cathedral Wardens.

Please Note: The Revision Meeting for the Cathedral Register of Vestry Members will be held by Zoom at 5.15pm on Thursday 24th February, 2022. Members are entitled, but not required to attend. Anyone who wishes to attend may e-mail Cate at admin@belfastcathedral.org requesting access details by Tuesday 22nd February.

As you leave, please remember to make your Free Will Offering contribution to support the ongoing work and life of Belfast Cathedral, or give via online banking to: Account Name: "Parochial No I Current Account" Sort Code: 90-21-27 Account Number: 10006051