

SAINT MACARTIN'S CATHEDRAL



THE PARISH OF ENNISKILLEN



*At the heart of the Community
Strengthening Commitment, Outreach, Worship and Christian Love*

A SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER TO CELEBRATE



THE FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

25th September 2022 at 11.00am

SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER:

THE VERY REV'D STEPHEN FARRELL

Dean of Ossory & Rector of Kilkenny Union of Parishes

The Order of Service

The Gathering of God's People

All stand to sing,

Processional Hymn 366

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed,
restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise
should sing?

Praise him! Praise him!

Praise him! Praise him!

Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress;
praise him, still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:

Praise him! Praise him!

Praise him! Praise him!

glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.

Praise him! Praise him!

Praise him! Praise him!

widely as his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him,
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy, and peace be with you
and also with you.

“God is spirit,
and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

(John 4: 24)

Beloved in Christ,
we come together to offer to Almighty God
our worship and praise and thanksgiving,
to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness,
to hear his holy word proclaimed,
to bring before him our needs
and the needs of the world,
and to pray that in the power of his Spirit
we may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

All sit or kneel. Silence is kept for reflection.

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.

For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do,
and think and say;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed
to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

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.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

Stand.

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
**as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.
The Lord's name be praised.

All remain standing to sing,

Colours of Day

Colours of day dawn into the mind,
The sun has come up, the night is behind.

Go down in the city, into the street,
And let's give the message to the people we meet.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,

Open the door, let Jesus return.

Take seeds of his Spirit, let the fruit grow,

Tell the people of Jesus, let his love show.

Go through the park, on into the town;
The sun still shines on, it never goes down.

The light of the world is risen again;
The people of darkness are needing a friend.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,

Open the door, let Jesus return.

Take seeds of his Spirit, let the fruit grow,

Tell the people of Jesus, let his love show.

Open your eyes, look into the sky,
The darkness has come, the Son came to die.

The evening draws on, the sun disappears,
But Jesus is living, his Spirit is near.

So light up the fire and let the flame burn,

Open the door, let Jesus return.

Take seeds of his Spirit, let the fruit grow,

Tell the people of Jesus, let his love show.

All sit for
The First Reading

The reader says,

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, chapter 32, beginning at verse 1.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of

purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

The reader says,

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All stand for

Psalm 91: 9-16 (Responsorial)

All sing the Response,

**For he shall give his angels charge over you,
to keep you in all your ways.**

9 Because you have made the Lord | your refuge
and the Most | High your stronghold,

10 There shall no evil | happen to you,
neither shall any plague come | near your tent.

Response

11 For he shall give his angels charge o|ver you,
to keep you in | all your ways.

12 They shall bear you | in their hands,
lest you dash your foot a|gainst a stone.

Response

13 You shall tread upon the lion | and adder;
the young lion and the serpent you shall trample | underfoot.

14 Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will | I
deliver them;
I will lift them up, because they | know my name.

Response

15 They will call upon me and I | will answer them;
I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and | bring them
to honour.

16 With long life | will I satisfy them
and show them | my salvation.

Response

All sit for

The Second Reading

The reader says,

A reading from the First Letter to Timothy, chapter 6,
beginning at verse 6.

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The reader says,

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All stand to sing,

Hymn 710

Sing to God new songs of worship
all his deeds are marvellous;
he has brought salvation to us
with his hand and holy arm:
he has shown to all the nations
righteousness and saving power;
he recalled his truth and mercy
to his people Israel.

Sing to God new songs of worship
earth has seen his victory;
let the lands of earth be joyful
praising him with thankfulness:
sound upon the harp his praises,
play to him with melody;
let the trumpets sound his triumph,
show your joy to God the king!

Sing to God new songs of worship
let the sea now make a noise;
all on earth and in the waters
sound your praises to the Lord:
let the hills rejoice together,
let the rivers clap their hands,
for with righteousness and justice
he will come to judge the earth.

Michael Baughen (b.1930)

All sit for
The Third Reading

The reader says,

A reading from the Gospel of Luke, chapter 16, beginning at verse 19.

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.”’

The reader says,

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All stand to say,

The Apostles' Creed

**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 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.**

The Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us pray.

All sit or kneel.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**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.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the King
and grant his government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness
and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
and bless those whom you have chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
and let your glory be over all the earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within us
and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

God,
who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
Grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel;
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith
and active in service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Morning Collects

O Lord, our heavenly Father,
almighty and everliving God,
we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day:
Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger,
and in all things guide us to know and do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour,
and further us with your continual help;
that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Occasional Prayers

Let us bring before God
our prayers of intercession and commitment:

Blessed are you, eternal God,
to be praised and glorified for ever.

Hear us as we pray for your holy Church
throughout the world:
make us all one, that the world may believe.

Grant that every member of the Church
may truly and humbly serve you:
that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name:
give them courage to proclaim your Gospel.

Inspire and lead those who hold authority
in the nations of the world:
guide them in the ways of justice and peace.

Make us alive to the needs of our community:
help us to share each other's joys and burdens.

Look with kindness on our homes and families:
grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Deepen our compassion
for all who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble:
in your presence may they find their strength.

We remember those who have died:
Father, into your hands we entrust them.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory:
bring us all to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear our prayer, Lord God
**and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy forever. Amen.**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

All stand to sing,

Hymn 89

God is love - his the care,
tending each, everywhere;
God is love - all is there!
Jesus came to show him,
that we all might know him:
Sing aloud, loud, loud;
sing aloud, loud, loud:
God is good, God is truth,
God is beauty - praise him!

Jesus shared all our pain,
lived and died, rose again,
rules our hearts, now as then -
for he came to save us
by the truth he gave us:
Sing aloud, loud, loud;
sing aloud, loud, loud:
God is good, God is truth,
God is beauty - praise him!

To our Lord praise we sing -
light and life, friend and king,
coming down love to bring,
pattern for our duty,
showing God in beauty:
Sing aloud, loud, loud;
sing aloud, loud, loud:
God is good, God is truth,
God is beauty - praise him!

Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

All sit for

The Sermon

The Very Rev'd Stephen Farrell

All stand to sing,

Offertory Hymn 712

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name:
make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might:
powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

Going Out as God's People

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Lord bless you and watch over you,
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you,
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. *All sing, Amen.*

All remain standing to sing,
Exit Processional Hymn 94

In the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season,
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,

faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed.

Bore it up triumphant
with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures,
to the central height;
to the eternal Godhead,
to the Father's throne,
filled it with the glory
of his triumph won.

In your hearts enthrone him,
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true:
crown him as your captain
in temptation's hour;
let his will enfold you
in its light and power.

With his Father's glory
Jesus comes again,
angel hosts attend him,
and announce his reign;
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

Caroline M. Noel (1817-77)



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