# 3 April 2022 Easter Vestry

# Opening Worship

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

# Thanks & Praise 99 - My heart is filled

My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace  
and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness,  
and clothed me with his light,  
and wrote his law of righteousness  
with power upon my heart.

2 My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses with strength  
and causes fear to fly;  
whose every promise is enough  
for every step I take;  
sustaining me with arms of love  
and crowning me with grace.

3 My heart is filled with thankfulness  
to him who reigns above;  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace,  
whose every thought is love.  
For every day I have on earth  
is given by the King.  
So I will give my life, my all,  
to love and follow him.

# Confession

**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.**

# Bible Reading - John 12:1–8 (NIVUK)

12 Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2 Here a dinner was given in Jesus’ honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. 3 Then Mary took about half a litre of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.  
4 But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, 5 ‘Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year’s wages.[a]’ 6 He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

7 ‘Leave her alone,’ Jesus replied. ‘It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. 8 You will always have the poor among you,[b] but you will not always have me.’

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

# Reflection

# Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer followed by The Grace

# Hymn 81 - Lord, for the years

Lord, for the years  
your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us,  
cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us,  
pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years,  
we bring our thanks today.

2 Lord, for that word,  
the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and  
sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains,  
rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word,  
receive your people’s praise.

3 Lord, for our land,  
in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure,  
wealth and care:  
for young and old,  
for this and every nation,  
Lord of our land,  
be pleased to hear our prayer.

4 Lord, for our world,  
when we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength,  
and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless,  
lost indeed without him:  
Lord of the world,  
we pray that Christ may reign.

5 Lord for ourselves;  
in living power remake us,  
self on the cross,  
and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us,  
for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives,  
to live for Christ alone.

# The Easter Vestry

Minutes of the 2021 taken as read

Presentation of Financial Report

Nominations of Rector's Wardens

The election of People's Wardens

Election of (up to 12) Select Vestry

Diocesan Synodsperson(s) (3 from Carryduff, 1 from Killaney)

The nomination and election of Parochial Nominator(s) (3 from Carryduff, 1 from Killaney)

Supplementals *of above*

The election of an eligible person to audit next year's annual report.

Closing Prayer