# Trinity 4 Sunday 16th June 2024

Welcome to St. Ignatius’, Carryduff

# Opening Hymn 547 Approach my soul the mercy seat

Approach, my soul, the mercy-seat  
where Jesus answers prayer;  
there humbly fall before his feet,  
for none can perish there.

2 Thy promise is my only plea,  
with this I venture nigh;  
thou callest burdened souls to thee,  
and such, O Lord, am I.

3 Bowed down beneath a load of sin,  
by Satan sorely pressed,  
by war without, and fears within,  
I come to thee for rest.

4 Be thou my shield and hiding-place,  
that, sheltered near thy side,  
I may my fierce accuser face,  
and tell him thou hast died.

5 O wondrous love, to bleed and die,  
to bear the cross and shame,  
that guilty sinners, such as I,  
might plead thy gracious Name!

# The Greeting - Hello and Welcome

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**  
Let us worship the Lord.  
**All praise to his name.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

# Penitence - saying sorry

**Heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault;  
by what we have done and by what we have failed to do.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

# Forgiveness - a reminder of God’s gift

# Preparing - to hear God’s word

The lesson reader says:  
Let us hear the word of the Lord.  
**So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.**

# 2 Corinthians 5:6–10,14–17 - please be seated

A reading from Second Corinthians chapter 5 beginning at verse 6

Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due to us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.  
For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!

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

# Children’s Spot

# Abba Father - Hymn 558

Abba Father, let me be  
yours, and yours alone.  
May my will for ever be  
evermore your own.

Never let my heart grow cold,  
never let me go.  
Abba Father, let me be  
yours, and yours alone.

Psalm 15 - An Impossible Standard, *made possible* by Christ Jesus!

LORD, who may dwell in your sacred tent?  
**Who may live on your holy mountain?**

The one whose way of life is blameless!  
**The one who does what is righteous,**  
**who speaks the truth from their heart;**

The one whose tongue utters no slander,  
**who does no wrong to a neighbour, and casts no slur on others**;

The one who despises a vile person  
**but honours those who fear the LORD;**

The one who keeps an oath even when it hurts,  
**and does not change their mind;**

The one who lends money to the poor without interest;  
**who does not accept a bribe against the innocent**.

Whoever does these things  
**will never be shaken.**

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.**

# John 17:1–9 - please be seated

A reading from John chapter 17 beginning at verse 9  
After Jesus said this, he looked towards heaven and prayed: ‘Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began. ‘I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them.

I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours.  
This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

# Father, Lord of all creation - Hymn 318

Father, Lord of all creation,  
ground of being, life and love;  
height and depth beyond description,  
only life in you can prove:  
you are mortal life’s dependence:  
thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;  
yours is every hour’s existence,  
sovereign Lord of time and space.

2 Jesus Christ, the Man for others  
we, your people, make our prayer  
help us love, as sisters, brothers  
all whose burdens we can share.  
Where your name binds us together  
you, Lord Christ, will surely be  
where no selfishness can sever  
there you love the world may see.

3 Holy Spirit, rushing, bringing  
wind and flame of Pentecost  
fire our hearts afresh with yearning  
to regain what we have lost.  
May your love unite our action  
nevermore to speak alone  
God, in us, abolish faction  
God, through us, your love make known.

# The Sermon - Jesus prays for us

# Offering Hymn 627 What a friend we have in Jesus

**1** What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

**2** Have we trials and temptations,  
is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

**3** Are we weak and heavy-laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Jesus is our only refuge:  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer:  
in his arms he’ll take and shield you,  
you will find a solace there.

# Declaring Faith - affirming our belief

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

# Praying Together - led by young people

# For our troubled world

Lord God  
People who are in charge around the world are in big trouble.  
Some love to throw their weight around, with powerful weapons, and vast armies.  
Some love to cause arguments among their people by telling lies and making threats.  
Some are hopeless leaders and leave their citizens without work or food or decent homes.  
It means we are all in big trouble, Lord.  
We need your help.

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer**

# For people who are unhappy

Lord God  
We all want to be happy in our lives, but some of us are sad instead.  
Some lead crazy lives, never stopping to rest, or reflect, or think what they are doing.  
Some lead miserable lives, practically killing themselves by how much they drink or by taking drugs.  
Some lead self-centred lives, as if only they matter, nobody else, and they never have the joy of serving and helping others.  
Show us how to follow the example of Jesus, and to lead pure, self-controlled, and helpful lives, to make the world a better place  
for us and for all people.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**

# For people to find faith

We thank you, Lord God, for parents, teachers and leaders, and all who try to share their faith in you with other people.  
We pray that you will help everyone who trusts you, to show, by word and deed, how loving and good you are!  
Awaken in the church and in the community, more godly and courageous witnesses. Help them to be brave enough to talk about their Christian faith.  
By your Holy Spirit, draw more people to yourself, especially those who are considering confirmation  
that we may trust in you and give our lives to you.

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**

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

# The Collect - The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

# Daily Collect - for Guidance

**Heavenly Father,**  
**in whom we live and move and have our being:**  
**We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit may so guide and govern us** **that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life,** **we may never forget your presence**  
**but may remember that we are always walking in your sight,** **through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# The Lord’s Prayer - we pray with Jesus

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

# Notices

# The Blessing

# Love Divine - Hymn 634

**1** Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown;  
Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
pure unbounded love thou art,  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

**2** Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

**3** Finish then thy new creation,  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation,  
perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

# Dismissal

We go into the world  
**to walk in God’s light,**  
**to rejoice in God’s love**  
**and to reflect God’s glory.**

**Prayer Hymn 524**

May the grace of Christ our Saviour

and the Father's boundless love

with the Holy Spirit's favour,

rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union

with each other and the Lord,

and possess in sweet communion

joys which earth cannot afford.

# Refreshments

**Notices**   
Commissioning of Parish Readers *at Killaney today 12:00 pm*

Monday evenings from around 7:00 pm Gardening Team at Carryduff

Wednesday 10:30 am Midweek Communion at Carryduff  
  
**Advance Notices**  
*Sunday 23 June Children’s Day*Celebrate Children’s Day in Carryduff 10:00 am  
Celebrate Children’s Day and Picnic in Killaney 12:00 pm

*Wednesday 26 June 11:30 am*  
Midweek Communion and lunch. Please sign up