

Parish Communion at Killaney & Carryduff

7th July 2024 The Incognito Christ

Opening Hymn 12 God is our strength

God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

2 There is a flowing river,
within God's Holy city;
God is in the midst of her,
she shall not be moved!
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence,
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

3 Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all powerful
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear!
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

Greeting

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

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.**

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.**

Absolution

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

A Reading from 2 Corinthians Chapter 12 beginning to read at verse 2:

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows. And I know that this man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows—was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect

in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**
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Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise,
in the city of our God, the holy place,
the Joy of the whole world.

Great is the Lord in whom we have the victory
he aids us against the enemy
We bow down on our knees.

And Lord, we want to lift your name on high;
and Lord, we want to thank you
for the works you've done in our lives;
and Lord, we trust in your unfailing love:
for you alone are God eternal,
throughout earth and heaven, above.

Gospel John 7:1-13

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John chapter 7 beginning at verse 1 **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After this, Jesus went around in Galilee. He did not want to go about in Judea because the Jewish leaders there were looking for a way to kill him. But when the Jewish Festival of Tabernacles was near, Jesus' brothers said to him, 'Leave Galilee and go to Judea, so that your disciples there may see the works you do. No one who

wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world.' For even his own brothers did not believe in him. Therefore Jesus told them, 'My time is not yet here; for you any time will do. The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that its works are evil. You go to the festival. I am not going up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come.' After he had said this, he stayed in Galilee. However, after his brothers had left for the festival, he went also, not publicly, but in secret. Now at the festival the Jewish leaders were watching for Jesus and asking, 'Where is he?' Among the crowds there was widespread whispering about him. Some said, 'He is a good man.' Others replied, 'No, he deceives the people.' But no one would say anything publicly about him for fear of the leaders.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon The Incognito Christ

Hymn 352

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say,

I am strong

Let the poor say, I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us

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.

Prayers of the People

Saviour, we hear your call.

Help us to follow.

God of mercy,

you know us and love us

and hear our prayer:

keep us in the eternal fellowship of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

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.**

The Peace

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

Offertory Hymn 435

1 O God, unseen yet ever near,
thy presence may we feel;
and thus, inspired with holy fear,
before thy table kneel.

2 Here may thy faithful people know
the blessings of thy love;
the streams that through the desert flow,
the manna from above.

3 We come, obedient to thy word,
to feast on heavenly food;
our meat, the body of the Lord,
our drink, his precious blood.

4 Thus would we all thy words obey,
for we, O God, are Thine;
and go rejoicing on our way,
renewed with strength divine.

Taking the Bread & Wine

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

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:

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

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!

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**

The Lord's Prayer (2)

**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.**

Breaking 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.**

Invitation

Receiving Communion

Prayers after Communion

**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.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn 618

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the
lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
in the name of Christ. Amen.