

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL 2022 The 5th Sunday in LENT



Please note- The wearing of Face Masks for entering / leaving is not compulsory but whilst in Church is strongly recommended for all (with Medical Exceptions)



Catherine is off on holidays this week and Emily was to play—but unfortunately she and her dad both caught Covid and are isolating.

We tried three other Organists who have helped in the past -but none were available.

Sadly the Communion Service this morning will be a said Service—

The Lord be with you and also with you.

A Sentence of Scripture

'The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;, a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise'.

Psalm 51:17

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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

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

and the prophets.

CONFESSION

Matthew 22: 37-39

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:

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

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.

(No Gloria during Lent)

THE COLLECTS

Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent.

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:
Grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LENTEN COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE FIRST READING

PHILLIPIANS 3: 4-14

The first Reading is from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians, Chapter 3, reading from verse 4.

⁴ though I myself have reasons for such confidence.

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ – the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ – yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: forgetting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

(sung acclaimation)

John 12: 1-8

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St. John, Chapter 12, beginning to read at verse 1.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.' 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, but you will not always have me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

(sung acclaimation)

The SERMON



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.

THE INTERCESSIONS

(The Intercessions will normally include prayer for: the universal Church of God, the nations of the world ,the local community, those in need and remembrance of, and thanksgiving for the faithful departed) ending with...

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)

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.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

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 ever living 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, 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

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.

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Remember that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION

As part of returning our worship to something more like we had before Covid—you are requested to come up to the Communion Rail, as directed, to receive the Bread only.

(if you are unable to come to the rail ,for whatever reason, but wish to receive Communion—please tell a Church Warden who will advise the Celebrant who will then come to you).

There are plans, in the future, to return to the Common Cup -but as some are still wary of sharing the Cup at this stage, we will leave this until another day. In receiving bread alone we receive the Body of Christ in full.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of hope, in this eucharist we have tasted the promise of your heavenly banquet and the richness of eternal life. May we who bear witness to the death of your Son, also proclaim the glory of his resurrection, for he is Lord for ever and ever.

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer 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.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and 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.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

in the name of Christ. Amen

THE BLESSING

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TODAY in Church -

Sunday 3rd APRIL 2022 will be a Service of Holy Communion

Celebrated by



Rev. Colin Brownsmith

with

Mrs Sarah Maguire



Next week's Service in Church Sunday 10th APRIL 2022
will be a Service of Morning
Prayer

Rev. Colin Brownsmith

with Mr. Nick Hambly





STILL ACCEPTING DONATIONS URGENT UKRAINE APPEAL TO THE PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS OF

ROSSORRY

If any Parishioner or Friend of
Rossorry Parish Church wishes to
help with a donation - please direct
it to the:- Rossorry Parish Office.
20, Drummee Road, Enniskillen,
BT74 5JX

Cheques should be made payable to "Rossorry Parish Church"

(Please include a brief note of your name and that it is for the Bishops' Appeal (Ukraine) and not part of your Freewill Offering.)

Donations currently stand at almost £2600



As you will be aware I indicated, in the opening page of 'Howe About That', that I would donate at least 25% of the proceeds from the sale of the book to Fields of Life. Recently I presented a cheque for £1,500 to the charity and a photograph of the 'hand-over' is included above. It may be of interest, particularly to those who kindly purchased a copy of the book, to know that their contributions resulted in much needed financial support to a worthy Christian charity. I certainly appreciate the magnificent response from all those in Rossorry Parish and the Fermanagh area generally who purchased copies of the book and, not least, for your kindness in distributing books to those who visited your office and for receiving and securing their contributions. Thank you so much.

LENTEN CALENDAR

2nd March	ASH WEDNESDAY
2022	
10th April	PALM SUNDAY
15th April	GOOD FRIDAY
17th April	EASTER SUNDAY



ROSSORRY EASTER TREE -

Mother's Union theme for this year is

'<u>Transformation now'</u>
and we would like to see
the Easter Tree
transformed with your
verses, prayers or

dedications. Please pick up a label in church or at the parish office, add your information to it and return to the parish office or Church before Friday 15 April for inclusion on the Tree.

Any donations received will go towards the Bishops Appeal Ukraine Appeal, -thank you.



ROSSORRY

SELECT VESTRY

Will meet on

Monday 25th

April 2022

in the Church

at 7.30pm.

-to consider the Annual Accounts

Church of Ireland Diocese of Clogher



EASTER VESTRY NOTICE

The Easter General Vestry will be held on Thursday -28th day of APRIL 2022at 7.30 pm, in ROSSORRY CHURCH

for the purpose of Electing
Churchwardens, Glebe Wardens
and Select Vestry Members, for
the current year, and further to
transact such business as is within
their cognizance, connected with
the Management and
Sustentation of the Parish.

<u>All</u> parishioners are welcome to attend, hear the reports and elect to the posts for 2022. (only those on the Register of Vestry Members may vote)





Ivan Caldwell MILLAR
(beloved husband of the late Annie)
Sadly, one of our longest standing
Parishioners, Ivan Millar, passed
away on 27th March 2022 and his
Funeral Service was at 1pm last
Wednesday(30th) in Rossorry.
Our prayers and sympathy go to
Jean, Gary and Ian and the wider
family circle.