

The Church of Ireland ~ Diocese of Clogher

ROSSORRY

PARISH CHURCH



Service of Morning Worship
with
The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Sunday 20th November 2022

The Kingship of Christ



Good morning!

... and welcome to our service of Morning Worship
with the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

We especially welcome the parents, god-parents,
family and friends of
Alice Lily Elaine KENNEDY,
who comes for baptism today.

Baptism marks the beginning of a journey with God
which continues for the rest of our lives, the first
step in our response to God's love. Each of us has a
responsibility to ensure that all baptised children are
nurtured in the faith. It is the work of the Christian
community, and not just for parents and god-parents.

So let us join with **Alice** and her family today, in joy
and celebration, and in a renewal of our own
commitment to Christ.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

GREETING

God is Spirit.

Let us worship him in spirit and in truth.

OPENING HYMN 94

In the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,

1. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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)

The Lord is with us.

Let us praise his name together.

PENITENCE

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every deed.

Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

God our Father,

long-suffering, full of grace and truth,

you create us from nothing and give us life.

You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.

You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.

We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour.

We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.

**Restore us for the sake of your Son, and bring us to a heavenly joy,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY - THE SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT—THE KINGSHIP OF CHRIST.

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING**Colossians 1: 11-20**

*The first reading is from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians,
Chapter 1, reading from verse 11*

¹¹ being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, ¹² and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. ¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

This is the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

HYMN 642

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound!)

1. Amazing grace (how sweet the sound!)

that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear,

and grace my fears relieved:
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils and
snares

I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5. Yes, when this flesh and heart shall
fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

John Newton (1725 – 1807)
based on Ephesians 2: 4-8

THE GOSPEL

Luke 23: 33-43

(Sung Acclamation)

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St. Luke,
Chapter 23, beginning at verse 33.*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.'^l And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One.'

³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.'

³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: 'Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!'

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. 'Don't you fear God,' he said, 'since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.'

⁴² Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'

⁴³ Jesus answered him, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Sung Acclamation)

THE BAPTISM

At the baptism of an infant the following is said:

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this new birth.
Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
Here we are clothed with Christ,
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
As children of God, we have a new dignity
and God calls us to fullness of life.
Holy Baptism is administered to infants
on the understanding that they will be brought up
in the fellowship of Christ's Church;
that they will be taught the Christian faith;
and that, when they have publicly confessed this faith,
they will be confirmed by the bishop and admitted to the Holy Communion.

THE PRESENTATION

Parents and godparents, will you accept the responsibilities placed upon you in bringing **Alice Elaine Lily Kennedy** for baptism and answer on her behalf. By your own prayers and example, by your teaching and love, will you encourage her in the life and faith of the Christian community?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism this child begins her journey in faith. You speak for her today.

Will you care for her, and help her to take her place
within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

THE DECISION

In baptism, God calls us from darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.
Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all proud rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life?

I come to Christ.

The presiding minister says to the congregation

You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ.
Will you support them in this calling?

The congregation answers

We will support them.

THE BAPTISM

Water is poured into the font.

Praise God who made heaven and earth.

Who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. 7

We give you thanks that at the beginning of creation your Holy Spirit moved upon the waters to bring forth light and life.

With water you cleanse and replenish the earth; you nourish and sustain all living things.

Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery into freedom, and brought them through the river Jordan to new life in the land of promise.

Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks for your Son Jesus Christ: for his baptism by John, for his anointing with the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks that through the deep waters of death Jesus delivered

us from our sins and was raised to new life in triumph.

Thanks be to God.



We give you thanks for the grace of the Holy Spirit who forms us in the

likeness of Christ and leads us to proclaim your Kingdom.

Thanks be to God.

And now we give you thanks that you have called this your servant Amelia to new birth in your Church through the waters of baptism.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in blessing and sanctify this water so that she who is baptized in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection.

May she die to sin, rise to newness of life, and continue for ever in Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we give you praise and honour in the unity of the Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The presiding minister shall ask the following question to **the parents and god-parents:***

Do you believe and accept the Christian faith into which **Alice Elaine Lily Kennedy** is to be baptized?

I do.

*The presiding minister addresses **the congregation.***

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess, together with these sponsors the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son?

**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.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit?

**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 presiding minister says

Name this child

The presiding minister baptizes by pouring water over them, saying

Alice Elaine Lily Kennedy I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of the cross.

Live as a disciple of Christ,

fight the good fight,

finish the race, keep the faith.

Confess Christ crucified,

proclaim his resurrection,

look for his coming in glory.

The minister continues.

God has called you into his Church.

The congregation joins the minister, saying
We therefore receive and welcome you
as a member with us of the body of Christ,
as a child of the one heavenly Father,
and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ.

By one spirit we were all baptised into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life together.

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The following prayers are said:

Father, we thank you that **Alice Elaine Lily Kennedy** has now been born again of water and the Holy Spirit, and has become your own child by adoption, and a member of your Church.

Grant that she may grow in the faith in which she has been baptized;
Grant that she herself may confess it when she comes to be confirmed;
Grant that she may bear witness to it by a life of service to others;
and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in her;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, bless the home of this child,
and give such grace and wisdom to all who have the care of her,
that by their word and good example
they may teach her to know and love you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 DISMISSAL

The presiding minister gives the newly baptized a lighted candle.
God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

BAPTISMAL HYMN 391

1. Father, now behold us
and this child, we pray:
in your love enfold us,
wash our sins away.

2. Christ's eternal blessing
for this life we claim:
faith, by ours, professing;
signed in Jesus' Name.

Father, now behold us and this child, we pray

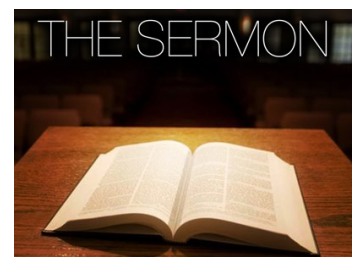
3. By the Spirit tended,
childhood grow to youth;
from all ill defended,
full of grace and truth.

4. God of all creation,
stoop from heaven's throne,
and by Christ's salvation
make this child your own.

Words: *Timothy Dudley Smith* (b.1926)
Music: *Kenneth George Finlay* (1882-1974)

SERMON

Rev. Stephen Mc Whirter



OFFERTORY HYMN 285 The head that once was crowned with thorns

1. The head that once was crowned with thorns
is crowned with glory now;
a royal diadem adorns
the mighty Victor's brow.
2. The highest place that heaven affords
is his, is his by right,
the King of kings, and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal Light;
3. The joy all of all who dwell above:
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love
and grants his name to know.
4. To them the cross, with all its shame,
with all its grace, is given;
their name an everlasting name;
their joy the joy of heaven.
5. They suffer with their Lord below,
they reign with him above,
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.
6. The Cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him;
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1854)
Music: Jeremiah Clarke, (c. 1673-1707)

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

O Lord, save the Queen;
and grant her 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.

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**

Going out as God's People

Ending

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one
all things earthly and heavenly,
Fill you with joy and peace:

Blessing.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN To God be the glory! Great things he has done!

Dismissal

1. To God be the glory! Great things he
has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his
Son;
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go
in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

*O come to the Father, through Jesus the
Son:*

*and give him the glory! Great things he
has done!*

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of
blood!
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon re-
ceives.

3. Great things he has taught us, great
things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the
Son;
but purer and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we
see.

*Fanny J. Crosby (Frances J van Alstyne)
(1820-1915)*

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



Girlguiding

GUIDES ARE COMING BACK !!

Great news ! - Guides in Rossorry will be starting again.

There will be a Registration evening in the Parish Hall on Thursday 24th November from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

The first meeting should then be on Thursday 1st December 2022 in the Hall.

Hopefully Rainbows and Brownies can start up after Christmas—but to make this happen, we really need volunteers to help with the junior sections.

Please get in touch with Avril, if you can be the one to help.

Contact Avril on

07724 605 543



SOME USEFUL CONTACT

NUMBERS FOR HELP

- **Advice NI**(including referrals to foodbanks) – 0800 915 4604
- **Christians Against Poverty**– 0800 328 0006
- **Consumer Council**– 0800 121 6022
- **Make the Call** Make the Call is a service from the Department for Communities to help you check if you are missing out on any benefits, services and support to which you are entitled –
0800 232 1271
- **Money Helper**(financial advice service) – 0800 138 7777
- **NI Energy Advice Line**– 0800 111 44 55
- **National Energy Action**(fuel poverty charity) –
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- **Step Change**(debt relief charity) – 0800 138 1111
- **St Vincent de Paul**– 028 9035 1561



**Next SUNDAY
27th November 2022**

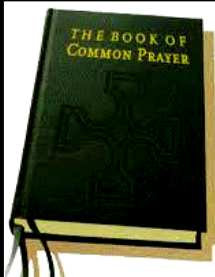
Will be :-
a service of Holy Communion at 9am
& Morning Prayer at 10.30am



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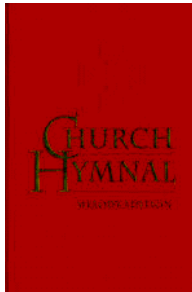
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Mr. Nick Hambly



From next Sunday—27th we will return to the use of the Prayer Book, The Church Hymnal and the NIV Bible.

The Weekly News Sheet will change in format to give page references—rather than print out the whole Service.



Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

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**16 DAYS OF
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Global Day of Action

Walk Together
Against Domestic Violence on
Saturday 26 November 2022
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50+...LET'S DANCE!

5 x 45 minute sessions hosted by Dylan Quinn Dance Theatre, followed by a sixth session on healthy eating during the Cost of Living Crisis by Hannah Curr.

Come along and have fun – admission free!

Funded by South-West Age Partnership.

Venue – The Island Hall, Enniskillen Presbyterian Church

1st Session - 6th December, 7 pm, 2nd Session - 13th December, 7 pm

Sessions 3, 4, 5 & 6 TBC.

***If a child lives with criticism
he learns to condemn.***

***If a child lives with hostility
she learns to fight.***

***If a child lives with ridicule
he learns to be shy.***

***If a child lives with jealousy
she learns to feel guilty.***

***But if a child lives with tolerance
he learns to be patient.***

***If a child lives with encouragement
she learns self-confidence.***

***If a child lives with praise
he learns to appreciate.***

***If a child lives with fairness
she learns justice.***

***If a child lives with approval
he learns to like himself.***

***If a child lives with security
she learns to have faith.***

***If a child lives with acceptance and friendship
he learns to find love in the world.***

