



ROSSORRY

PARISH CHURCH

**SUNDAY 6th
NOVEMBER 2022**
*3rd Sunday before
Advent*



Welcome to our Service, this morning, of Holy Communion celebrated by
Rev. Stephen Mc Whirter
assisted by Mrs Sarah Maguire & Mr. Nick Hambly

HYMN 335

Jesus calls us here to meet him,

1. Jesus calls us here to meet him as, through words and song and prayer, we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care. Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

2. Jesus calls us to confess him Word of life and Lord of all, sharer of our flesh and frailness saving all who fail or fall. Tell his holy human story; tell his tales that all may hear; tell the world that Christ in glory came to earth to meet us here.

3. Jesus us calls us to each other: vastly different though we are; race and colour, class and gender neither limit nor debar. Join the hands of friend and stranger; join the hands of age and youth; join the faithful and the doubter in their common search for truth.

4. Jesus calls us to his table rooted firm in time and space, where the Church in earth and heaven finds a common meeting place. Share the bread and wine, his body; share the love of which we sing; share the feast for saints and sinners hosted by our Lord and King.

Words and Music: John L. Bell and Graham Maule

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

A Sentence of Scripture

'Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; Let the whole earth stand in awe of Him'

Psalm 96:9

**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
and the prophets.

Matthew 22: 37-39

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

CONFESSION

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.

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 for 3rd Sunday before Advent.

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the king of all:
Govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE FIRST READING

2 THESSALONIANS 2: 1-5, 13-17

*The first Reading is from the second letter of St. Paul to The Thessalonians
Chapter 2, reading from verse 1.*

Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him,
we ask you, brothers and sisters, ² not to become easily unsettled or alarmed
by the teaching allegedly from us – whether by a prophecy or by word of
mouth or by letter – asserting that the day of the Lord has already
come. ³ Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come
until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man
doomed to destruction. ⁴ He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything
that is called God or is worshipped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple,
proclaiming himself to be God.

⁵ Don't you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things?

¹³ But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

¹⁶ May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷ encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 325

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.**

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place,
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him;
be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

Dave Evans (b.1957)

based on Exodus 3: 1-6

THE GOSPEL

(sung acclamation)

Luke 20: 27-38

*Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St. Luke,
Chapter 20, beginning to read at verse 27.*

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁷ Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. ²⁸ 'Teacher,' they said, 'Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. ³⁰ The second ³¹ and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. ³² Finally, the woman died too. ³³ Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?'

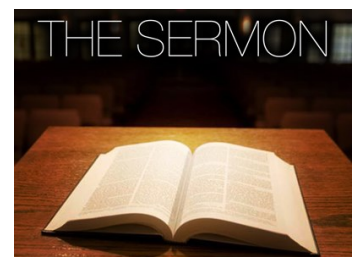
³⁴ Jesus replied, 'The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵ But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age to come and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, ³⁶ and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. ³⁷ But in the account of the burning bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord "the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob". ³⁸ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

(sung acclamation)

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN 425 Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts;

1. Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts,
thou fount of life, our lives sustain;
from the best bliss that earth imparts
we turn, unfilled, to heed thy call.

4. Our restless spirits yearn for thee,
where'er our changeful lot is cast,
glad when thy gracious smile we see,
blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

2. Thy truth unchanged hath ever
stood;
thou savest those that on thee call;
to them that seek thee thou art good,
to them that find thee, all in all.

5. O Jesus, ever with us stay;
make all our moments calm and bright.
O chase the night of sin away;
shed o'er the world thy holy light.

3. We taste thee, O thou living bread,
and long to feast upon thee still;
we drink of thee, the fountainhead,
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

12th Century Latin

Attrib. *Bernard of Clairvaux* (1091-1153)

Tr. *Ray Palmer* (1808-87)

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
Look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

**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 BLESSING

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.

(sung) **AMEN**

HYMN 455 Go forth for God; go forth to the world in peace;

1. Go forth for God; go forth to the world
in peace;

be of good courage, armed with heavenly
grace,
in God's good Spirit daily to increase,
till in his kingdom we behold his face.

2. Go forth for God; go forth to the world
in strength;
hold fast the good, be urgent for the right,
render to no one evil; Christ at length
shall overcome all darkness with his light.

3. Go forth for God; go forth to the world
in love;
strengthen the faint, give courage to the
weak,
help the afflicted; richly from above
his love supplies the grace and power we
seek.

4. Go forth for God; go forth to the world
in joy,
to serve God's people every day and hour,
and serving Christ, our every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

5. Sing praise to him who brought us on
our way,
sing praise to him who bought us with his
blood,
sing praise to him who sanctifies each
day,
sing praise to him who reigns one Lord
and God.

Words: *J.R. Peacey* (1896-1971)

Music: *R. Vaughan Williams* (1872-1958)

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

Today— SUNDAY 6th November 2022



**will be a Service
of Holy Communion**



Celebrated by

Rev. Stephen Mc Whirter

**with Mr Nick &
Hambly**

**& Mrs Sarah
Maguire**



The Rector

**Next week's Service in Church -
on Sunday 13th November 2022
will be our Service of Remembrance**

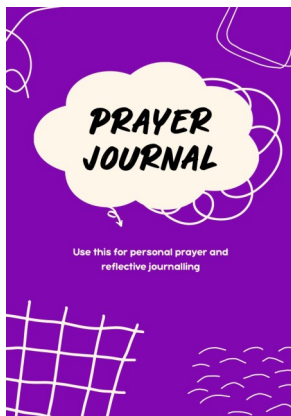


with Mr Nick Hambly & Mrs Sarah Maguire

**Day of Prayer for Young People
and Youth Ministry 2022**

This year, the Church of Ireland's Day of Prayer for Young People and Youth Ministry will be on **Sunday, 20th November 2022.**

The Church of Ireland Youth Department (CIYD) is delighted to make available a new prayer journal to accompany the day. Produced in partnership with Missional Generation, the prayer journal is designed to help young people to pray and provide creative ways to listen to and



respond to God. The prayer journals are available from Diocesan Youth Officers or youth ministry contacts.



**Samaritan's
Purse
Shoeboxes.**

It is time again to prepare the Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes to send off to children all round the world who can expect nothing at

Christmas, apart from the gift of a shoebox, "full of treasure", from a kind Christian like yourselves. The leaflet with instructions and guidance about contents are available, from Churchwardens, in both porches of the Church

Gifts will be dedicated at the Service of Morning Prayer

in Church on Sunday 20th November 2022

(they must be in by then to allow time to ship them around the world).

Thank you

The next meeting is on Thursday 17 November when Rev. S. McWhirter will be the speaker.

New members very welcome



NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER

FOR ROSSORRY RECTORY

from Thursday 3rd November 2022.

02866 458024

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 CallMake 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) – 0800 304 7159
- Step Change(debt relief charity) – 0800 138 1111



Church Leaders meet with Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

The Church Leaders Group (Ireland) met with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, the Rt Hon Chris Heaton–Harris MP, at Hillsborough Castle on Wednesday evening (26th October 2022) where they were able to relay to him the reality of life for ordinary people from their congregations and parishes across Northern Ireland, outlining the significant stress that is being caused by the fear of what is coming in the months ahead.