

CHRIST CHURCH, BRAY

Morning Prayer

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity



11am Sunday, 18th October 2020

Live streamed and recording available to watch later at
www.churchservices.tv/christchurchbray

The Bells of Christ Church Bray

Musical introduction

The Gathering of God's People

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

Hymn – 642 Amazing Grace

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

Great is our God, and worthy of praise!
God's goodness knows no limit;
God's faithfulness toward us is boundless!

God, your majesty and glory surround us here.
We've come together to celebrate your presence,
and to offer songs of praise and worship.
We've come to rejoice in your mighty acts,
and to retell the story of your goodness
throughout history and in our own lives.

Move among us as we worship together;
may your Spirit guide and inspire our thoughts and actions
as we spend this time in your presence.

In the name of our Saviour and Lord, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Psalm 145: 3-7

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

Let us kneel and confess our sins to God our Father:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
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.**

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.**

<i>Proclaiming and Receiving the Word</i>
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Canticle – 701 Jubilate

Jubilate, ev'rybody,
serve the Lord in all your ways,
and come before his presence singing:
enter now his courts with praise.
For the Lord our God is gracious,
and his mercy everlasting.
Jubilate, jubilate, jubilate Deo!

Fred Dunn (1907-1979)

Psalm 99

- 1 The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble;
he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion
and high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome;
the Lord our God is holy.
- 4 Mighty king, who loves justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- 5 Exalt the Lord our God;
bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests
and Samuel among those who call upon his name;
they called upon the Lord and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the law that he gave them.
- 8 You answered them, O Lord our God;
**you were a God who forgave them
and pardoned them for their offences.**
- 9 Exalt the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill,
for the Lord our God is holy.

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.

The Reading

Matthew 22: 15-22

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' ²¹They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A Collect of the Word

O God,
the protector of all who trust in you,
have mercy on us that,
with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not the things eternal;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Sermon

Our theme for October :Joseph

Today – Slavery to Freedom

Key verses. Genesis 41: 38-40

38 and Pharaoh said to his servants, “Can we find a man with more God-given gifts[a] than this one?” 39 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Since God has made all this known to you, no one is as intelligent and wise as you are. 40 You will be in charge of my kingdom,[b] and all my people will obey[c] your command. Only as the enthroned king will I be greater than you.”

<i>The Response to God’s Word</i>
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Apostles’ Creed

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

**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

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 Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer.

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

Collect of the day

**O God,
without you we are not able to please you;
Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we pray:

**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.**

Going Out as God's People

God send us out:
out to the gardens of the world;
out to be with the people of the world;
out to live and love and breathe;
out into your world
resisting that which will do us ill,
accepting that which will nurture us

and always to be your people,
this day and always.

We go into the world
To walk in God's light,
To rejoice in God's love
And to reflect God's glory

Christ the sun of righteousness shine upon you, gladden your hearts
and scatter the darkness from before you:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn 491

We have a gospel to proclaim,
good news for all throughout the earth;
the gospel of a Saviour's name:
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

Tell of his birth at Bethlehem,
not in a royal house or hall,
but in a stable dark and dim:
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of his death at Calvary,
hated by those he came to save,
in lonely suffering on the cross
for all he loved his life he gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:
empty the tomb, for he was free;
he broke the power of death and hell
that we might share his victory.

Tell of his reign at God's right hand,
by all creation glorified;
he sends his Spirit on his Church
to live for him the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name him King:
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
This gospel-message we proclaim;
We sing his glory, tell his worth.

Edward J Burns (b. 1938)

Recessional music

Next Sunday 25th October

The 5th Sunday before Advent

11:00am Family Service

Streamed on churchservices.tv/christchurchbray

Or via church website www.christchurchbray.ie

Notices

Classics by Candlelight

We are hoping to hold an online version of 'Classics by Candlelight' on Sunday 29th November at 7pm. The content and format of the concert will be guided by restrictions at that time (and technical ability). More details to follow.

HO! HO! HO!

ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE NOW..... all proceeds as usual to charities which more than ever need our support now due to COVID, they really are suffering... If you do not wish to buy a tree could you please make a donation as this will be very helpful to the charities

Orders taken NOW

- (1) From Parish Office (01) 2862968 or email christchurchbray@gmail.com
- (2) Order by email to wilkinsecure@hotmail.com
- (3) Order by phone George (087) 2543113 or office (01) 2868377

Collection from Christchurch Bray on Saturday 5th December 10am-12noon

All trees are NON-SHREDDERS, very keen prices, we are holding last years prices!!!!, on behalf of all the charities we thank you for your support.

4ft, 6ft, 8ft, 10ft, 14ft

Prices:

4ft	-	€35.00
6ft	-	€40.00
8ft	-	€45.00
10ft	-	€55.00
14ft	-	€65.00

Thankyou for helping!!!!

Just to cheer everyone up for the festive season everyone who orders a tree this year, their name will be entered into a draw for a bumper Christmas Hamper and the draw will take place on Saturday 12th December

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