



Christ
Church
Bray

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

7th August 2022.

A SERVICE OF THE WORD

The Gathering of God's People

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our soul waits longingly for the Lord;
he is our help and our shield.

Genesis 15:20

Hymn 517 – Brother, sister, let me serve you

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, Creator of all, to you be glory and praise for ever.
You founded the earth in the beginning and the heavens are the work of your hands.
In the fulness of time, you made us in your own image,
and in these last days you have spoken to us in your Son Jesus Christ, the word made flesh.
As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us
let the light of your love always shine in our hearts,
your Spirit renew our lives, and your praises be on our lips.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Blessed be God for ever.

Penitence

When we cry out to the Lord in our trouble,
he will deliver us from our distress.

God will bring us out of darkness
into his marvellous light.

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1: 8-9*

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
**O God, our loving Father in heaven,
we confess that we have sinned against you;
we have broken your commandments;
we have often been selfish,
and we have not loved you as we should.
For these, and all our sins, forgive us, we pray:
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The absolution.

May the Father of all mercies,
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image,
to the praise and glory of his name ,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect of The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

**Blessed are you, O Lord,
and blessed are those who observe and keep your law:
Help us to seek you with our whole heart,
to delight in your commandments
and to walk in the glorious liberty
given us by your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalms 33: 12-22

Luke 12: 32-40

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Address

Affirmation of Faith.

Let us confess the faith of the Church.

**We believe in God the Father,
who made the world.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, his Son,
who redeemed humankind.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God.**

Hymn 459 – For all the saints, who from their labours rest [omit vv 3,4,5]

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, so 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.**

Blessing

Let the grace of Christ redeem you
The power of Christ renew you,
The example of Christ inspire you
and the love of Christ shine from you.
Go in faith,
to walk his way and make him known to his glory.....

Announcements

Hymn 643 - Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.

Dismissal

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

Prayers in the time of war in Ukraine

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world:
We commend to your merciful care the people and government of Ukraine
that, being guided by your providence, they may dwell secure in your peace.
Grant to their leaders and all in authority,
wisdom and strength to know and to do your will.
Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness,
and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve their people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit
may so move every human heart in the nations of the world,
that working and witnessing together,
we may live in justice and peace
and change the hearts of those who would make for conflict and war;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

2 a time to be born, and a time to die;

a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

3 a time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

4 a time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

5 a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

6 a time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

7 a time to tear, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

8 a time to love, and a time to hate;

a time for war, and a time for peace.

Luke 12: 32-40

32 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

35 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; 36 be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. 37 Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. 38 If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

39 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he* would not have let his house be broken into. 40 You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Sunday 14th August

11am Holy Communion

Sunday 21st August

11am Service of the Word

Services are in-Church and also available to view live stream or watch a recording later at www.churchservices.tv/christchurchbray or via our website www.christchurchbray.ie

Announcements

National Heritage Week

Sarah and Bruce will be leading a tour of our stained glass windows, which span 8 decades from the 1860s to the 1930s, blended with a talk on the concurrent history of the Parish and the Town. **Thursday, 18th August 2022, 11am.**

The church will be open for visits on Thursday 18th August from 10am-1pm, and on Friday 19th August from 2pm-4pm and 6pm-8pm. If you can help us staffing the church at those times, please put your name on the form at the back of the church or e-mail christchurchbray@gmail.com

Donations to the Storehouse

The Mothers' Union have re-instated the food hamper in support of The Storehouse in Crinken. Please do bring your contributions of dry goods which will then be delivered to The Storehouse. *Donations of jam and marmalade are particularly welcome.*

Contacts

The Parish Office is closed during July and August but phone calls and emails will be monitored. Please leave a message at 01 286 2968 or email christchurchbray@gmail.com
As Baden is on indefinite sick leave, please contact David Reynolds at 087 918 7792 in emergencies.

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