



CHRIST CHURCH, BRAY

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
25th September 2022

A SERVICE OF THE WORD

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.

By faith we understand that the universe has been created by a word from God so that the visible came into existence from the invisible.

(Hebrews 11:3)

Gracious God, we are your people, seeking to know you more.

Gracious God, come amongst us, by your Spirit, that we might be transformed by our encounter with you.

Gracious God, when we go from this place, may we recognise you in every place and every moment. **Amen**

Hymn 10 – All my hope on God is founded

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

Penitence

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near.

Let the wicked abandon their ways
and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Turn back to the Lord, who will have mercy;
to our God who will richly pardon.

Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.

**Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Lord of mercy, grant us your pardon and peace;
that cleansed from our sins and with peace in our hearts,
we may be free to serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

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

Psalm 146 (BCP p 761)

Luke 16: 19-31

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

Collect of the Word

O God,
from whom light rises in darkness
for those who seek you:
grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties,
the grace to ask what you would have us to do,
that in your light we may see light,
and in your narrow path may not stumble;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen

Address

The Response to God's Word

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 595 - Safe in the shadow of the Lord

The Prayers of the People

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us

Collect of The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

God,

who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

Grant that your people may be fervent

in the fellowship of the gospel;

that, always abiding in you,

they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

Going Out as God's People

Go from this place inspired,

Go from this place renewed,

Go from this place with the Spirit of God alongside, within and all around you,

Go from this place, a child of the Living God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen

Announcements

Hymn 712 – Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Dismissal

Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ Amen

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Readings

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Luke 16: 19-31

¹⁹ ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” ²⁵But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” ²⁷He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—that

he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.”²⁹ Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.”³⁰ He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.”³¹ He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” ’

Next Sunday 2nd October

11am Harvest Service

Sunday 9th October

11am Holy Communion

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

Recycled Teenagers

Recycled Teenagers is back. Join us for a cuppa and a catch-up with friends.
Wednesday 28th September, 10.30am PLC

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.*

WhatsApp

We use WhatsApp to send out an update on services and activities most Thursdays. If you wish to be included, contact Tracey by phone or email (see below).

First Aid Training

If you volunteer in Christ Church Bray and would like to attend First Aid Training please contact Tracey in the Parish Office. Training will probably take place on a Saturday in October or November and would be a two hour course including defibrillator training.

Contacts

The Parish Office is open Monday to Thursday, 9am-1pm. Please contact Tracey in the first instance for routine matters –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.

