



SAINT FIN BARRE'S  
CATHEDRAL + CORK



# CHRIST THE KING

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 24th November 2024  
11.15am

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## MUSICAL SETTING

Mass in G - *Franz Schubert (1797 - 1828)*

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## SERVICES THIS WEEK

### Monday - Thursday & Saturday

12 noon The Eucharist (said, in the Deans' Chapel)

### Friday

12 noon The Eucharist (said, in the Deans' Chapel)

6.15pm Choral Evensong

### Sunday 1st December - The First Sunday of Advent

11.15am Lighting of the First Advent Candle and Choral Eucharist

*Celebrant: Rev. Martin Steele (Dean's Vicar)*

*Preacher: Very Rev. Nigel Dunne (Dean of Cork)*

3.30pm Advent Carols in Procession

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## CATHEDRAL CHOIR FUNDRAISING CONCERTS

### Saturday 7th and 14th December at 7pm

Tickets for the Cathedral Choir Christmas Concerts are now on sale in the Cathedral Shop or on the Cathedral website.

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# THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*All stand for the*

## **HYMN OF THE PROCESSION 420**

O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
be thou for ever near me,  
my Master and my Friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me,  
to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory  
there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy footmarks,  
and in them plant mine own;  
my hope to follow duly  
is in thy strength alone;  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end;  
and then in heaven receive me,  
my Saviour and my Friend.

*John Bode (1816-1874)*

### **GREETING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The service is introduced.*

## **THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**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**

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

Let us then confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace:

*All say:*

**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.

*The Absolution is pronounced.*

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 choir sings* **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY** *is sung*

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, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD

*Sit for*

## THE FIRST READING

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

*At the end of the reading the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir sings*

## PSALM

1. The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel;  
the Lord has put on his glory and girded himself with strength.
2. He has made the whole world so sure  
that it cannot be moved.
3. Your throne has been established from of old;  
you are from everlasting.
4. The floods have lifted up, O Lord,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their pounding waves.
5. Mightier than the thunder of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea,  
the Lord on high is mightier.
6. Your testimonies are very sure;  
holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever.

## THE SECOND READING

Revelation 1: 4b-8

*At the end of the reading the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand for the*

## HYMN OF THE GRADUAL - 332

*The last verse of this hymn is sung after the Gospel*

All hail the power of Jesu's name;  
let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
to crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye morning stars of light,  
who fixed this floating ball;  
Now hail the Strength of Israel's might,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
ye ransomed of the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,  
whom David Lord did call;  
The God incarnate, Man divine,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can n'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
go spread your trophies at his feet,  
and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue  
to him their hearts enthral,  
lift high the universal song,  
and crown him Lord of all.

*Edward Perronet (1726-1792) and others*

*All face the reader for*

**THE GOSPEL**

John 18: 33-37

*Reader:* Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to Saint John,  
chapter eighteen, beginning at verse thirty-three.

*All sing:* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*At the end of the Gospel*

*Reader:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All sing:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Sit for*

**THE SERMON**

Rev. Martin Steele - Dean's Vicar

*Stand to say*

**THE 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.

*Kneel for*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*The following response is used at the end of each petition:*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*At the end of the prayers:*

Merciful Father,

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

*Stand for*

**THE PEACE**

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*Stand to sing*

**THE HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY - 338**

*A collection for Cathedral funds is taken during the singing of this hymn.*

At 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.

At his voice creation  
sprang at once to sight,  
all the angel faces,  
all the hosts of light,  
thrones and dominations,  
stars upon their way,  
all the heavenly orders,  
in their great array.

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:

Bore it up triumphant  
with its human light,  
through all ranks of creatures,  
to the central height,  
to the throne of Godhead,  
to the Father's breast;  
filled it with the glory  
of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone him;  
there let him subdue  
all that is not holy,  
all that is not true:  
He is God the Saviour,  
he is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped,  
trusted, and adored.



Brothers, this Lord Jesus  
shall return again,  
with the Father's glory,  
with his angel train;  
for all wreaths of empire  
meet upon his brow,  
and our hearts confess him  
King of glory now.

*Caroline Noel (1817-1877)*

## **CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE**

### **THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

Blessed be God, who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms.  
May we feed upon the bread of God and drink the royal wine of heaven.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

### **THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE**

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us celebrate the feast.**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 everliving God,  
at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise.

And now we give you thanks  
because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, as priest and King.  
Crowned with thorns, he offered his life upon the cross,  
that he might draw all people into that kingdom  
where he now reigns in glory.

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 singing:

*The* **SANCTUS** *and* **BENEDICTUS** *are sung.*

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 he 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, 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 ...**

### **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.**

*The **AGNUS DEI** is sung.*

**THE COMMUNION**

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

*Communicant members of all Christian traditions  
are most welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*The Choir sings the*

**COMMUNION MOTET**

*Te Deum in C - Benjamin Britten (1913 – 1976)*

**THE GREAT SILENCE**

*Silence is kept for thanksgiving and reflection*

**GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

*Stand to sing the*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN - 373**

How shall I sing that majesty  
which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
thy throne, O God most high;  
ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears,  
whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears,  
but they behold thy face.  
They sing because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
for where heaven is but once begun  
there alleluyas be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
inflame it with love's fire;  
then shall I sing and bear a part  
with that celestial choir.

I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
with all my fire and light;  
yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
to sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
a sun without a sphere;  
thy time is now and evermore,  
thy place is everywhere.  
*John Mason c 1645-1694*

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS**

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God,**  
**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food**  
**of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**  
**Through him we offer you 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**

Christ our exalted King  
pour upon you his abundant gifts  
and bring you to reign with him in glory:  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

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

### **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

*Marche Heroique – Herbert Brewer (1865 - 1928)*

***Please remain seated in silence until the Organ Voluntary is over.***