



SAINT FIN BARRE'S
CATHEDRAL • CORK



THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Choral Eucharist

1st March 2026

11.15am

MUSICAL SETTING

Collegium Regale - *Herbert Howells* (1892 - 1983)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday - The Feast of Saint Patrick

12 noon Midday Prayers (in the Deans' Chapel)

Tuesday, Wednesday, 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 8th March - The Third Sunday in Lent

11.15am Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: Revd Martin Steele (Dean's Vicar)

Preacher: Very Revd Nigel Dunne (Dean of Cork)

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Stand to sing the

HYMN OF THE PROCESSION - 148

The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above,
ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love:

To him uplift your voice,
at whose supreme command
from earth we rise and seek the joys
at his right hand.

There dwells the Lord our King,
the Lord our righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
the Prince of Peace:

On Sion's sacred height
his kingdom he maintains,
and glorious with his saints in light
for ever reigns.

Before the great Three-One,
they all exulting stand,
and tell the wonders he has done
throughout the land:

The listening spheres attend,
and swell the growing fame,
and sing in songs which never end
the wondrous name.

The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and 'Holy, holy, holy' cry
'Almighty King!'

Who was, and is the same,
and evermore shall be:
Eternal Father, great I AM,
we worship thee.

The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high:
'Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost'
they ever cry:

Hail, Abraham's God and mine!
(I join the heavenly lays)
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.

*Thomas Olivers 1725-99
Based on the Hebrew Yigdal*

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

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

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

The KYRIES are sung.

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY *is sung*

Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
Grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things
as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD

Sit for

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 12: 1-4a

At the end of the reading the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Choir sings

PSALM 121

1. I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?
2. My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.
3. He will not suffer your foot to stumble; he who watches over you will not sleep.
4. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5. The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
6. So that the sun shall not strike you by day, neither the moon by night.
7. The Lord shall keep you from all evil; it is he who shall keep your soul.
8. The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.

Sit for

THE SECOND READING

Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17

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 - 382

Jesu, grant me this, I pray,
ever in thy heart to stay;
Let me evermore abide
hidden in thy wounded side.

If the evil one prepare,
or the world, a tempting snare,
I am safe when I abide
in thy heart and wounded side.

If the flesh, more dangerous still,
tempt my soul to deeds of ill,
naught I fear when I abide
in thy heart and wounded side.

THE GOSPEL

John 3: 1-17

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

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.**

The hymn continues
Death will come one day to me;
Jesu, cast me not from thee:
Dying let me still abide
in thy heart and wounded side.

Latin 17th century; Tr H.W. Baker (1821-1877)

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

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace. *Romans 5: 1-2*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

THE HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY - 439

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful;
most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!
when all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
which did in Adam fail,
should strive afresh against their foe,
should strive and should prevail;

And that a higher gift than grace
should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence, and his very self,
and essence all-divine.

O generous love! that he, who smote
in man for man the foe,
the double agony in Man
for man should undergo;

And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise,
in all his words most wonderful;
most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801-1890)

CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

God of mercy and compassion,
your Word calls us home to faith and love.
accept all we offer you this day;
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

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 he was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin.
By his grace we are able to overcome our temptations.
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 sing the

COMMUNION MOTET

Turn back O man – *Gustav Holst (1874–1934)*

THE GREAT SILENCE

Silence is kept for thanksgiving and reflection

GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Stand to sing the

POST-COMMUNION HYMN - 476

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name:
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol:
his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh, his presence we have:
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:
The angels of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS

Creator of heaven and earth,
we thank you for these holy mysteries
given us by our Lord Jesus Christ,
by which we receive your grace
and are assured of your love,
which is through him now and for ever. **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 give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, to take up your cross, and follow him;
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

Prelude and Fugue in G minor – *Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)*

Please remain in your seat in silence until the Organ Voluntary is over.

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REVISION OF LIST OF VESTRY MEMBERS 2026

Saint Fin Barre's Union of Parishes (Saint Fin Barre's Cathedral)

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and the Rules and Regulations of the Diocesan Synod, a meeting must be held within a period of two months before Easter each year for the purpose of revising the List of Vestry Members. The meeting to revise the list for the above parish for 2026 will be held

on Tuesday 3rd March 2026

in the Vicar's Meeting Room, 9 Dean Street, Coprk

at 7.30pm

Every person of the age of eighteen years who shall possess the qualifications stated in any one of the forms of declaration contained in the Schedule to Chapter 3 of the Constitution, and who shall, within one month before the next or any subsequent revision of the Register of Vestry Members in any parish, district, church or chapel, sign the declaration to that effect, shall, upon production of the same to the revising authority, then be registered as a Vestry Member of the parish, district, church or chapel mentioned in such declaration.



Very Rev. Nigel Dunne
Dean and Incumbent