



SAINT FIN BARRE'S  
CATHEDRAL + CORK



# TRINITY SUNDAY

**Choral Eucharist**

Sunday 31st May 2026  
11.15am

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## MUSICAL SETTING

Mass for the quiet hour - *George Oldroyd (1887-1956)*

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## SERVICES THIS WEEK

### Monday

No services

### Tuesday - Saturday

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

### Sunday 7th June - The Second Sunday after Trinity

11.15am Choral Eucharist

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

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

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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# THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*All stand for the*

## **HYMN OF THE PROCESSION 146**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;  
Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

*Reginald Heber (1793-1826)*

## **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**

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.

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

**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*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
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**

Genesis 1: 1 - 2: 3

*At the end of the reading the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir sings*

**PSALM 8**

1. *O Lord our governor,  
how glorious is your name in all the world!*
2. Your majesty above the heavens is praised  
out of the mouths of babes at the breast.
3. You have founded a stronghold against your foes,  
that you might still the enemy and the avenger.
4. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have ordained,
5. What is man, that you should be mindful of him;  
the son of man, that you should seek him out?
6. You have made him little lower than the angels  
and crown him with glory and honour.
7. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands  
and put all things under his feet,
8. All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,
9. The birds of the air, the fish of the sea  
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.
10. *O Lord our governor,  
how glorious is your name in all the world!*

**THE SECOND READING**

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

*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 - 358**

Father of heaven, whose love profound  
a ransom for our souls hath found,  
before thy throne we sinners bend:  
to us thy pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
before thy throne we sinners bend:  
to us thy saving grace extend.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
the soul is raised from sin and death,  
before thy throne we sinners bend:  
to us thy quickening power extend.

*All face the reader for*

**THE GOSPEL**

Matthew 28: 16-20

*Reader:* Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to Saint Matthew,  
chapter twenty-eight, beginning at verse sixteen.

*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:*

Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son,  
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
before thy throne we sinners bend:  
grace, pardon, life to us extend.

*Edward Cooper (1770 - 1833)*

*Sit for*

**THE SERMON**

Very Rev. Nigel Dunne - Dean of Cork

*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. Amen.**

*Stand for*

### **THE PEACE**

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.

Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace from the Holy Spirit the Life-giver.

The peace of the Triune God be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Stand to sing*

**THE HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY - 159 (OMITTING vv. 3 &4)**

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

I bind unto myself today  
the strong name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind this day to me for ever,  
by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;  
his baptism in Jordan river;  
his death on Cross for my salvation;  
his bursting form the spiced tomb;  
his riding up the heavenly way;  
his coming at the day of doom,  
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today  
the power of God to hold and lead,  
his eye to watch, his might to stay,  
his ear to hearken to my need.  
The wisdom of my God to teach,  
his hand to guide, his shield to ward;  
the word of God to give me speech,  
his heavenly host to be my guard.

I bind unto myself the name,  
the strong name of the Trinity;  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One, and One in Three.  
Of whom all nature hath creation;  
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,  
salvation is of Christ the Lord.

*St Patrick 372-466;*

*Tr Mrs C.F. Alexander 1818-95*

**CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ our risen high priest;  
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

**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.

You have revealed your glory  
as the glory of your Son and of the Holy Spirit:  
three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour,  
yet one Lord, one God, ever to be worshipped and adored:

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.**

*All communicant members of other Christian traditions  
are most welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*The Choir sings the* **COMMUNION MOTET**

Blessed angel spirits offer praise undying, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Saints and Martyrs praise thy name, Trinity life-giving, earth-borne sorrow leaving before thy throne, ever crying Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Father omnipotent, mighty in glory, Christ thy Son, our Saviour, who died that we might live, Holy Spirit, mystic dove, dwelling with us evermore, we praise Thee, we praise Thee, Blessed Trinity. With the Angels' sacred hymn, all thy might proclaiming, with the mystic Cherubim in songs of praise we join, Holy, Holy, Holy, join we all in songs of praise, in songs of praise for ever; Hallelujah, Lord God of Sabaoth.

– *Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)*

**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,  
in flame 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**

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts.  
May our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of 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**

God the Holy Trinity  
make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side,  
and guide you in truth and peace:  
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**

*Fugue in E flat BWV 552 – J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

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