



BELFAST CATHEDRAL

CHORAL EUCHARIST

Sunday 6th February 2022

11.00am

The Fourth Sunday before Lent

also marking the

70th Anniversary

of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth II

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. Face coverings must be worn when entering and exiting the building, and when singing the hymns. We request members of the congregation to wear face coverings throughout the service. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens. Under government guidance for the purposes of keeping Contact Tracing Records it is essential that you complete the following information. These will be retained for 21 days, after which they will be destroyed. Thank you.

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AT THE WEST END OF THE CATHEDRAL AS YOU LEAVE**

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Baptised members of Christian churches are welcome to join in this Eucharist.

It is the Lord's table and this invitation is given in his name.

The Eucharist will be celebrated and distributed in accordance with the Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland. As a result, Communion will be in **one kind only** today.

If you wish to receive communion, please move to the Quire Steps when directed by the cathedral wardens. Those seated on the North (left) side of the Nave will move first, then those seated on the South (right) side afterwards.

Please keep 1m social distance at all times and continue wearing your face covering until you return to your seat. Only then remove your face covering to take the wafer bread.

Please indicate if you require a Gluten-free wafer.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please keep your hands by your side or cross your arms.

At the conclusion of this morning's service we are pleased to re-introduce coffee or tea.

Once the organ voluntary has ended, and you are guided by the cathedral wardens, you may wish to collect a coffee or tea from the West End of the Cathedral.

However to minimise the risk of spreading Covid, please be seated at the west end of the Nave before removing your mask, OR take your drink to the cathedral steps outside (weather permitting). Please do not congregate around the serving tables. Thank you.

Please do not make video recordings or take photographs during the service
Due to Child Protection Regulations no photographing of the choristers whatsoever is permitted

Organ Prelude: Trumpet Tune *Henry Purcell (1659-95)*



THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

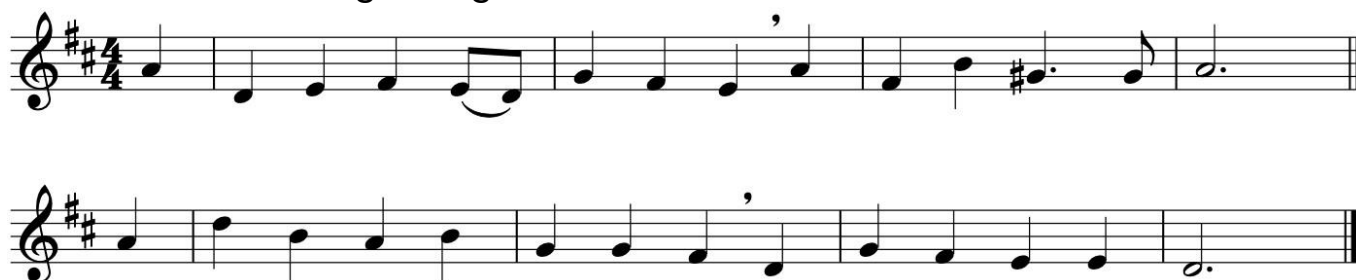


Please stand for the entrance of the choir and remain standing for the **INTROIT:**

O Lord, make thy servant Elizabeth our Queen to rejoice in thy strength:
give her her heart's desire, and deny not the request of her lips;
but prevent her with thine everlasting blessing,
and give her a long life, even for ever and ever. Amen.

*Words: A prayer for the sovereign
Setting: William Byrd (1540-1623)*

Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 316*:**



**Jesus, the very thought of thee
with sweetness fills the breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see,
and in thy presence rest.**

**No voice can sing, no heart can frame,
nor can the memory find
a sweeter sound than thy blessed name,
O Saviour of mankind!**

**Jesus, thy mercies are untold
through each returning day;
thy love exceeds a thousandfold
whatever we can say.**

**Jesus, our only joy be thou,
as thou our prize wilt be;
in thee be all our glory now,
and through eternity.**

*Words: 12th century, tr. Edward Caswall (1814-78)
Tune NEH 63: ST BERNARD Adapted from Tochter Sion (Cologne, 1741)*

Please be seated as the Dean welcomes the congregation and introduces the service

Please stand for **THE GREETING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.' *Matthew 11:28*

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it. You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

Lord, have mercy on us, and write these your laws in our hearts.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

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.

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.**

Please stand whilst the choir sings the **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:**

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra
pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter
magnum gloriam tuam,

*Glory to God in the highest, and on
earth peace to people of goodwill.*

*We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks
for your great glory,*

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili Unigenite,
Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe
deprecationem nostrum.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu
solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Setting: Christoph Dalitz (b.1967)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD



Please sit for the **EPISTLE READING:** I Corinthians 15:1-11

I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain.

On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated as the choir sings **PSALM 138:**

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart:

even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth:

for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy Word, above all things.

When I called upon thee, thou heardest me:

and enduedst my soul with much strength.

All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord:

for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord:

that great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly:

as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me:

thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me:

yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

Please stand for the **GLORIA:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

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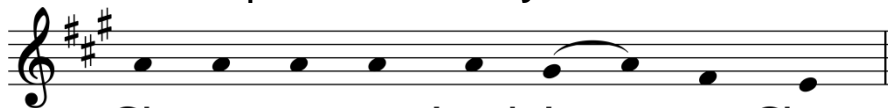
Please remain standing to sing the **ALLELUIA:**



‘I have called you friends,’ says the Lord: ‘because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.’ *John 14:6*

Please remain standing for **THE GOSPEL READING:** Luke 5:1-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.



Glo-ry to you, Lord, Je - sus Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, Lord, Je - sus Christ.

SERMON by *Melanie Sloan, CITI Student Reader*

Please stand and face east 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.



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



Please kneel or sit

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for the abundance of his mercy.

Father, bless the Church with power to preach the word at all times and in many places. Give to her ministers the courage and the guidance to launch out into the deep and draw many into the fellowship of believers.

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

Grant the grace and wisdom by which the resources of the land and sea may be used for the good of all. We pray for those who go out into the deep waters, that they may be preserved from danger and their labour be blessed.

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

Keep us, our families and friends, confident and comforted in the presence of the Lord. Bless all who work in this community, and give them a sense of purpose in their calling. We pray for those who are troubled or sick, especially those within this cathedral community and those for whom we are especially concerned.

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

Come in compassion to those who have lost hope, to all discouraged by continual failures, to those who see no return for their work. Give pardon and assurance to any who fear that their sins have cut them off from salvation.

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

We give thanks for all those who have finished their work in this world and come to the father shore. Bring us in our time through the deep water of death and draw us into the great harvest of the redeemed.

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

We ask that you grant us courage and strength as we continue to live with the implications of Covid-19, remembering those suffering at present and those who have lost loved ones. Bless all who work in healthcare and medical research, and those with leadership responsibilities.

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

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. **We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.**

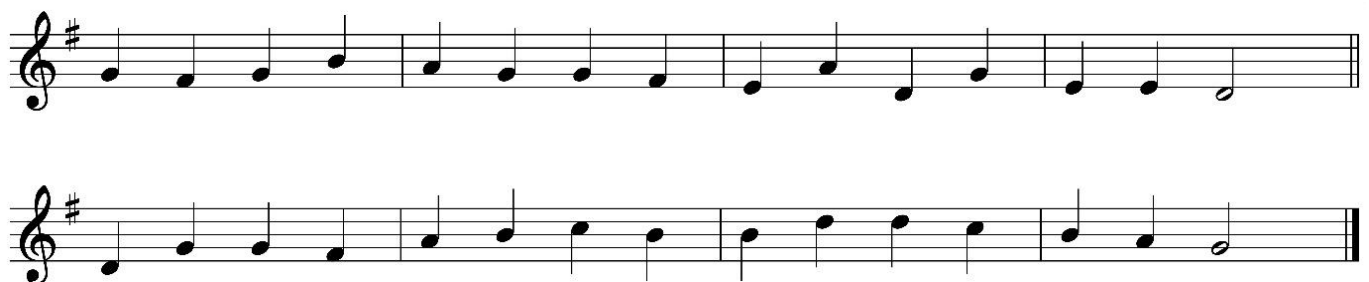
Please stand

THE PEACE

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

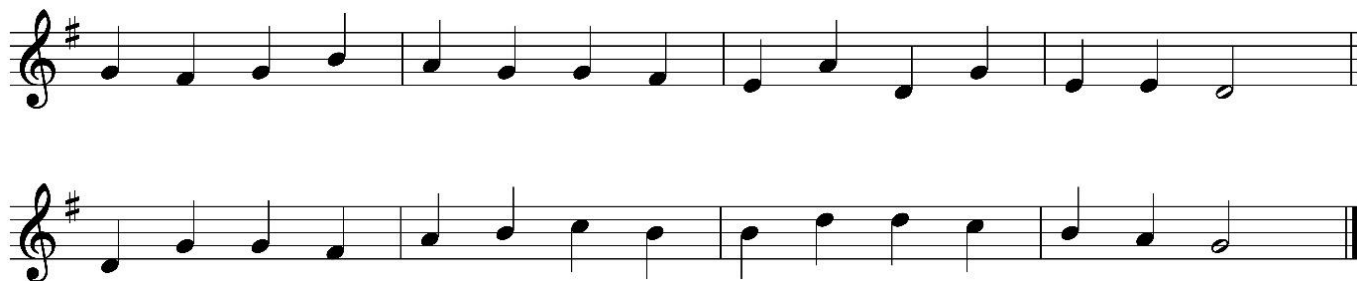
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 316*:**



**Bright the vision that delighted
once the sight of Judas's seer;
sweet the countless tongues united
to entrance the prophet's ear.**

**Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled his temple, and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:**



**‘Lord, thy glory fills the heaven,
earth is with thy fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
holy, holy, holy Lord.’**

*Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848) based on Isaiah 6:1-3
Tune NEH 343: LAUS DEO (REDHEAD NO. 46) Richard Redhead (1820-1901) in Church Hymn Tunes (1853)
(based on a German original?)*



CELEBRATING AT THE LORD’S TABLE

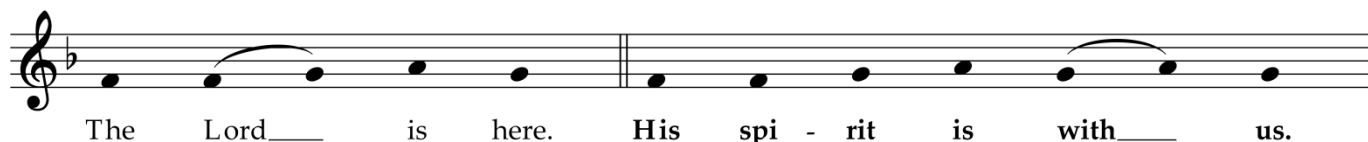


Please remain standing

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life, and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us
therefore let us celebrate the feast.



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

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 saying:

The choir sings the **SANCTUS:**

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Setting: Christoph Dalitz (b.1967)

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, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please kneel or sit

THE LORD'S PRAYER is sung by Belfast Cathedral Children's Choir to a setting specially composed by its Composer-in-Association, Gary Davison (b.1961):

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.

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 gifts of God for the people of God.

Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Please remain seated whilst the choir sings the **AGNUS DEI**:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi, dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, grant us peace.*

Setting: Christoph Dalitz (b.1967)

THE COMMUNION

Please observe the guidance of the Church Wardens and follow the directions as printed at the beginning of this order of service

Organ music: Prelude on Song 24 James Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*During communion Belfast Cathedral Children's Choir sings the **ANTHEM**:*

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly.
Amen.

Words: A prayer of St Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)

Setting: Richard Allain (b.1965)

THE GREAT SILENCE

When all have received communion, the presiding minister, other ministers and people keep silence for reflection



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of tender care, in this eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. May we show your love in our lives and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name 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.

Please stand to sing **HYMN 567***:



**Forth, in thy name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue;
thee, only thee, resolved to know,
in all I think, or speak, or do.**

**The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Tune NEH 235: DUKE STREET Melody from H. Boyd's Psalm and Hymn Tunes (Glasgow, 1793) later attrib. John L. Hatton (d. 1793)

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: 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 Postlude: Crown Imperial *Sir William Walton (1902-83)*

*Please remain in your place until the Churchwardens direct you to move
Thank you*

*We are pleased to re-introduce refreshments following this service
Please avail of these, following the directions at the beginning of this order of service*

SUNDAY 6TH FEBRUARY, 2022 – 3.30PM

THE GOOD SAMARITANS' SERVICE

**CELEBRATING THE WORK OF 220 LOCAL CHARITIES
AND DISTRIBUTING £150,000 RAISED THROUGH THE
2021 BLACK SANTA SIT-OUT AT BELFAST CATHEDRAL**



**For full information on the 2021 Sit-out
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2021 Black Santa Appeal

Thanking all who helped raise £150,000



NOTICES



This afternoon we are holding our annual Good Samaritans Service, at which representatives of over 200 charities will receive allocations totalling £150,000, raised during the Black Santa Sit Out.

Sunday 13th February 2022: The Third Sunday before Lent

11.00am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: The Reverend Canon Mark Niblock, Dean's Vicar

3.30pm Choral Evensong

Revision of the Cathedral Register of General Vestry Members

The Cathedral Register of General Vestry Members is now open for revision. If you have subscribed to cathedral parish finances in the past year and are over 18 you are eligible to register. Please complete one of the Registration Forms at the West End as directed by the Cathedral Wardens.

As you leave, please remember to make your Free Will Offering contribution to support the ongoing work and life of Belfast Cathedral, or give via online banking to: Bank of Ireland, 1 Donegall Square North, BT1 5LR, Account Name: "Parochial No 1 Current Account", Sort Code: 90-21-27, Account Number: 10006051