



CHORAL EUCHARIST

**Sunday 20th February 2022
11.00am**

The Second Sunday before Lent

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast. Following the downgrading of Covid restrictions to guidelines we respectfully ask you to wear a face covering when inside the building during the service, but especially when singing the hymns. We are no longer required to take your details for Contact Tracing. Please follow the instructions from the Churchwardens.



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 Covid precautions as laid down by the Church of Ireland.

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.

From today we have resumed distribution of Communion in both kinds. The wine will be consecrated in common cruets and will then be distributed into individual cups. When you approach the clergy you will first receive the wafer bread, which you should consume as you make your way to the tables on the north and south aisles. Here you will receive the wine. Please approach the table on the side on which you are seated. After receiving the wine, please place your empty cup in the basin provided.

Seating is by alternate rows. Please keep 1m social distance at all times and continue wearing your face covering until you return to your seat.

Please indicate if you require a gluten-free wafer, or if you need Communion to be brought to your seat.

If you wish to receive a blessing only, please indicate by crossing your arms across your chest.

Post-service Refreshments have been re-instated

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 infection risks, 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

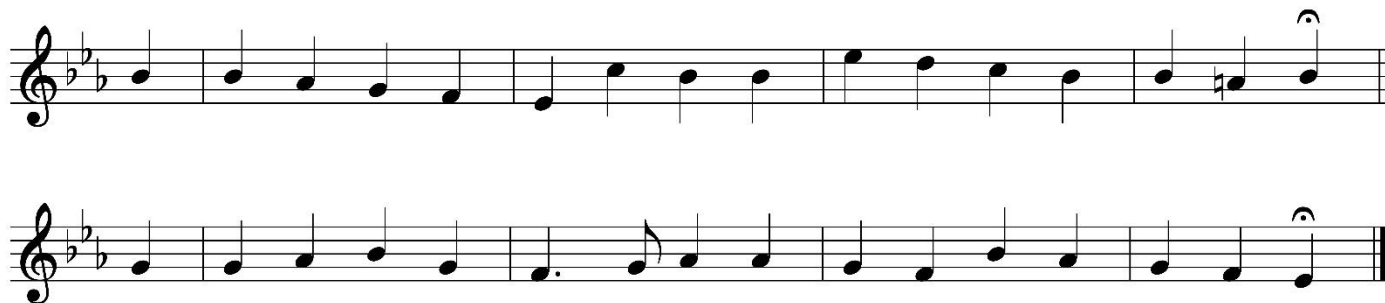
Organ Prelude: A Fantasy *Thomas Tomkins (1572-1656)*



THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE



Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 59***:



**New every morning is the love
our waking and uprising prove;
through sleep and darkness safely brought,
restored to life and power and thought.**

**If, on our daily course, our mind
be set to hallow all we find,
new treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.**

**The trivial round, the common task,
will furnish all we ought to ask:
room to deny ourselves; a road
to bring us daily nearer God.**

**Only, O Lord, in thy dear love,
fit us for perfect rest above;
and help us, this and every day,
to live more nearly as we pray.**

Words: John Keble (1792-1866) based on Lamentations 3:22-23

Tune NEH 238: MELCOMBE Melody by Samuel Webbe the elder (1740-1816) in his An Essay on the Church Plain Chant (London, 1782)

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:

Please kneel or sit

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,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili Unigenite,
Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,

*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,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,*

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.

*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: Mass for four voices, William Byrd (1539-1623)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**



PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD



Please sit for the **EPISTLE READING**: Revelation 4

I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,
'Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

‘You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.’

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated as the choir sings **PSALM 65:**

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion:

and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

Thou that hearest the prayer:

unto thee shall all flesh come.

My misdeeds prevail against me:

O be thou merciful unto our sins.

Blessed is the man, whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee:

he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation:

thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains:

and is girded about with power.

Who stilleth the raging of the sea:

and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens:

thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it:

thou makest it very plenteous.

The river of God is full of water:

thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof:

thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness:

and thy clouds drop fatness.

They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness:

and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

The folds shall be full of sheep:

the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

*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.

Tone VIII

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



Sanctify them in the truth: your word is truth. *John 17:17*

*Please remain standing for **THE GOSPEL READING:** Luke 8:22-35*

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



One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON by Gillian McGaughey, Diocesan 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 to the Lord for the peace which God alone can give.

Father, grant that the Church shall follow in the way of her Lord, to bring peace and love to all who come. Increase her faith and let her not fear the power of any evil.

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

Calm the angry passions which shake the world. Bring peace where there is war, calm where there is hostility and tension. We pray especially for peace in Ukraine, and for the building of peace between Russia and America. Guide those who have rule over others into the way of peace.

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

We pray that when the storms of anger begin to rise among us we shall hear the voice of the Lord and live in harmony. Bless our families and all around us with confidence and peace of mind.

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

Give hope and courage to those who live in fear and do not walk in the way of peace. Shield from danger all who travel this weekend and bring them safely to the end of their journeys. Bless the sick with the comfort of your presence and healing touch, especially those within this cathedral community.

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

We give thanks for the departed who have been brought through the storms of this world to the haven of eternal life. May we come in our time with them to see the glory of the Lord.

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

If you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins.

Matthew 6:14-15

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

Please remain standing to sing **HYMN 398***:



**Alleluia, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia, his the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by his blood.**

**Alleluia, bread of heaven,
 Thou on earth our food, our stay;
 Alleluia, here the sinful
 Flee to thee from day to day;
 Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
 Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
 Where the songs of all the sinless
 Sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia, King eternal,
 Thee the Lord of lords we own;
 Alleluia, born of Mary,
 Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
 Thou within the veil hast entered,
 Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
 Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
 In the Eucharistic Feast.**

Words: W. Chatterton Dix (1837-98) based on Acts 1:3-11

Tune NEH 271: HYFRYDOL Melody by Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955) based on 1 Peter 2:6-10



CELEBRATING AT THE LORD'S TABLE



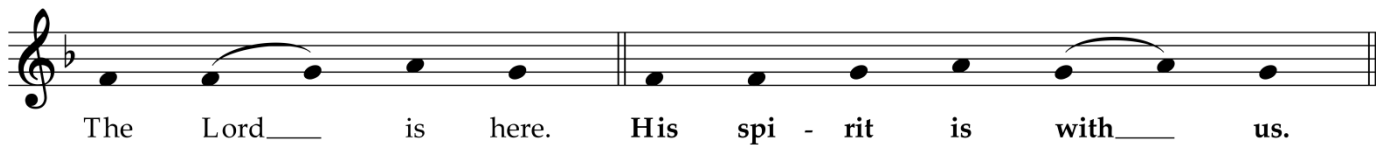
Please remain standing

Lord, yours is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty; for all things come from you and of your own we give you.

1 Chronicles 29: 11,14

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: Mass for four voices, William Byrd (1539-1623)

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

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Remember that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*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: Mass for four voices, William Byrd (1539-1623)

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: O Lamm Gottes, Unschuldig, BWV 618 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*During communion the choir sings the **ANTHEM**:*

*O sacrum convivium!
in quo Christus sumitur:
recolitur memoria passionis eius:
mens impletur gratia:
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus
datur.
Alleluia.*

*O sacred banquet!
in which Christ is received,
the memory of his Passion is renewed,
the mind is filled with grace,
and a pledge of future glory to us is
given.
Alleluia.*

*Words: attrib. St Thomas Aquinas (1225-74)
Setting: William Byrd (1539-1623)*

THE GREAT SILENCE

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



GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

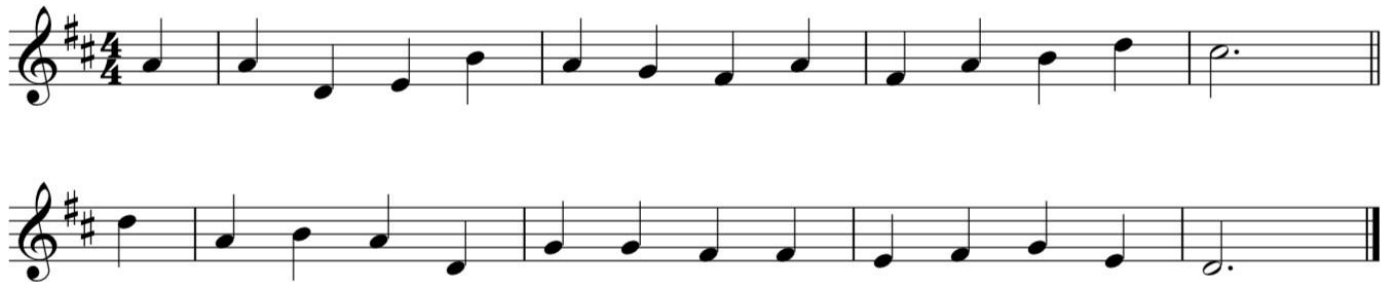


PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the Bread of life at the heart of your Church. May we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's Cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; 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.

Please stand to sing **HYMN 374***:



**When all thy mercies, O my God,
my rising soul surveys,
transported with the view, I'm lost
in wonder, love, and praise.**

**When worn with sickness, oft hast thou
with health renewed my face;
and when in sins and sorrows sunk,
revived my soul with grace.**

**Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
my daily thanks employ;
nor is the least a cheerful heart,
that tastes those gifts with joy.**

**Through all eternity to Thee
a joyful song I'll raise;
for O eternity's too short
to utter all Thy praise!**

*Words: attrib. Joseph Addison (1672-1719)
Tune NEH 124: ST FULBERT Henry J. Gauntlett (1805-76)*

THE BLESSING

Unto God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you: the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you 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 Postlude: Pièce d'Orgue, BWV 572 *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

*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
We are appealing for volunteers to assist with providing refreshments on rotation,
please consider signing up for this if you are able.*



NOTICES



Please join us this afternoon at 3.30pm
for Choral Evensong, marking Scouting's Founder's Day:
Whitlock Lantana (Plymouth Suite)
Ayleward Preces and Responses (with Stone Lord's Prayer)
Psalm 104, vv 24-35 (chant by Parratt)
Whitlock Fauxbourdon Service
Harris Holy is the true light
Whitlock Toccata (Plymouth Suite)

Sunday 27th February 2022: The Second 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

This is the last opportunity to add your name to the Cathedral Register of General Vestry Members. 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.

Please Note: The Revision Meeting for the Cathedral Register of Vestry Members will be held by Zoom at 5.15pm on Thursday 24th February, 2022. Members are entitled, but not required to attend. Anyone who wishes to attend may e-mail Cate at admin@belfastcathedral.org requesting access details by Tuesday 22nd February.

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: Account Name: "Parochial No 1 Current Account", Sort Code: 90-21-27, Account Number: 10006051

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