The Lord be with you **And also with you**

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.

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.

Matthew 22: 37-39

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

Confession

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.**

Collect of the Day, Trinity 20

Almighty God, whose Holy Spirit equips your Church with a rich variety of gifts: Grant us so to use them that, living the gospel of Christ and eager to do your will, we may share with the whole creation in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading - Job 38: 1-7, (34-41)

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: 'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. 'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstonewhen the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? 'Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, "Here we are"? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? 'Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?

Psalm 104: 1-10, 26, 37c

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul. ♦
 - O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!
- 2 You are clothed with majesty and honour, ◆ wrapped in light as in a garment.
- 3 You spread out the heavens like a curtain ♦ and lay the beams of your dwelling place in the waters above.
- 4 You make the clouds your chariot ◆ and ride on the wings of the wind.
- 5 You make the winds your messengers ◆ and flames of fire your servants.
- 6 You laid the foundations of the earth, ♦ that it never should move at any time.
- 7 You covered it with the deep like a garment; ◆ the waters stood high above the hills.
- 8 At your rebuke they fled; ◆ at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.
- 9 They rose up to the hills and flowed down to the valleys beneath, ◆ to the place which you had appointed for them.
- 10 You have set them their bounds that they should not pass, ♦ nor turn again to cover the earth.

26 O Lord, how manifold are your works! ♦

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. Alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen.

Holy Gospel - Mark 10: 35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Thought for the Day

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

Let us pray to the Lord for the needs of his Church, his world and his people... In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Parishes of Swords, Clonmethan, Kilsallaghan, Donabate & Lusk, and the Rector, Neal Phair. We also pray for The South American Missionary Society and Christ Church, Nazareth

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the world, that we may honour and share its resources, and live in reverence for the creation and in harmony with one another. We pray for those suffering from natural disasters and climate change, and those who lack the basic necessities of life. We pray an end to the pandemic- for those who are most effected, and for an equitable vaccine rollout for all people.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the community in which you have set us, for one another and for ourselves, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are sick or suffering in body, mind or spirit, especially those within our parish, or within our own families or circle of friends. We pray also for those who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And we remember with thanksgiving those who have died, especially those who once worshipped here with us and those whom we love but see no longer: we pray that in due course we will be gathered together in the banquet of the age to come with all who have gone before.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And we take a few moments in silence to lift up our own prayers to our Father in Heaven...

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

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.

Celebrating at the Lord's 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, Lord of all creation, we praise you for your goodness and your love. When we turned away you did not reject us. You came to meet us in your Son, welcomed us as your children and prepared a table where we might feast with you. In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened wide his arms upon the cross and, with love stronger than death, he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on the night before you died you came to table with your friends. Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the bread of life.

At the end of supper you took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the true vine.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:

dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace, one in Christ, our risen Lord.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 Communion followed by The Great Silence

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: Let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling; 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

Blessing & Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and the love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ: and the blessing of God Almighty: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

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