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MORNING PRAYER AND THE LITANY

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THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Stand

The Rector introduces the Service and greets the congregation

HYMN CH 321

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, blessèd Trinity!

Holy, holy! all the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, God everlasting through eternity.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the sinful human eye 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, blessèd Trinity!

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Round the throne of God, day and night they never cease to sing, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' *Revelation 4 8*

Beloved in Christ, we come together to offer to Almighty God our worship and praise and thanksgiving, to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed, to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to pray that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the greatness of his love.

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

Kneel

Silence is kept.

Heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault;
by what we have done
and by what we have failed to do.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Rector pronounces the absolution.

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**.

Stand

Minister O Lord, open our lips:

People and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

Minister O God, make speed to save us:

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Minister Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy

Spirit:

People as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for

ever. Amen.

Minister Praise the Lord:

People The Lord's name be praised.

JUBILATE PSALM 100 TRADITIONAL

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord | all ye | lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his | presence | with a | song.
- Be ye sure that the Lord | he is | God; it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves we are his people | and the | sheep of · his | pasture.
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and into his | courts with | praise; be thankful unto him and speak | good of | his | name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is | ever|lasting, and his truth endureth from gene|ration · to | gene|ration.

Glory to the Father, and \mid to the Son, and \mid to the \mid Holy \mid Spirit; as it was in the be \mid ginning, is \mid now, and shall be for \mid ever. \mid A \mid men.

PSALM 29 (SAID)

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, ♦ ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; ♦ worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; ◆

the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; ♦ the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; ♦ the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf ♦ and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; ♦ the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare; ♦ in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; ♦ the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 10 The Lord shall give strength to his people; ♦ the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

The Old Testament Reading is from the book of the prophet Isaiah Chapter 6, beginning at verse 1

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

⁴The pivots* on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

6 Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph* touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

CANTICLE

TE DEUM TRADITIONAL

Part 1

1 We praise | thee O | God, we acknowledge | thee to | be the | Lord.

- 2 All the earth doth | worship | thee, the | Father | ever|lasting.
- To thee all angels cry aloud the heavens and all the | powers there|in, to thee Cherubim and Seraphim con|tin ual|ly do | cry,
- 4 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord | God · of Sa| baoth: heaven and earth are full of the | majes·ty | of thy | glory.
- 5 The glorious company of the apostles | praise | thee; the goodly fellowship of the | prophets | praise | thee.
- 6 The | noble | army of | martyrs | praise | thee.
- 7 The | holy | Church throughout all the world | doth ac|knowledge | thee;
- 8 The Father of an | infinite | majesty, thine honourable, true, and only Son, also the | Holy | Spirit the | Comforter.

Part 2

- 9 Thou art the King of | glory · O | Christ. Thou art the ever|lasting | Son of · the | Father.
- 10 When thou tookest upon thee to deliver | man, thou didst not ab|hor the | Virgin's | womb.
- †When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness · of | death, thou didst open the kingdom of | heaven · to | all be|lievers.
- 12 Thou sittest at the right | hand of | God, in the | glory | of the | Father.
- 13 We be lieve that | thou _ shalt | come to | be our | judge.
- We therefore pray thee | help thy | servants, whom thou hast re|deemed with thy | precious | blood.
- 15 Make them to be numbered | with thy | saints in | glory | ever|lasting.

SECOND READING

The New Testament Reading is from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans Chapter 8 beginning at verse 12

12 So then, brothers and sisters,* we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— 13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba!* Father!' 16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness* with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs,

heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

CANTICLE

GLORY AND HONOUR

- 1 Glory and | honour · and | power are yours by | right O | Lord our | God.
- 2 For you crelated | all things and by your | will they | have their | being.
- 3 Glory and | honour · and | power are yours by | right O | Lamb · for us | slain;
- 4 For by your blood you ransomed | us for | God from every race and language from | every | people · and | nation.
- 5 To make us a | kingdom of | priests, to stand and | serve be|fore our | God.
- 6 To him who sits on the throne and | to the | Lamb be praise and honour, glory and might, for ever and | ever. | Almen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary.
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Kneel

MinisterLet us pray.MinisterLord have mercyPeopleChrist have mercyMinisterLord have mercy

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 versicles and responses may be said.

Show us your mercy, O Lord: and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen: and grant her government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness: and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people: and bless those whom you have chosen.

Give peace in our time, O Lord: and let your glory be over all the earth.

O God, make clean our hearts within us: and renew us by your Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECTS

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; for you live and reign, one God, for ever and forever. **Amen**.

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life, and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in your protection, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God, we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day: Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger, and in all things guide us to know and do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN CH 112

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory I will see His face, and there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

THE LITANY

The Rector says: Let us pray in the word of the Litany.

Kneel or Sit

1

God the Father, creator of heaven and earth, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, giver of life, have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three Persons in one God, have mercy on us.

2

Save us, good Lord, from all sin and wickedness, from pride, hypocrisy and conceit, from envy, hatred and malice, and all uncharitableness,

save us, good Lord.

From sins of thought, word and deed, from the lusts of the flesh, from the deceits of the world and the snares of the devil, save us, good Lord.

From fire, storm and flood, from disease, pestilence and want, from war and murder, and from dying unprepared, save us, good Lord.

From all false doctrine, from hardness of heart, from contempt of your word and commandment, and from the evil of schism. save us, good Lord.

In times of sorrow and in times of joy, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

save us, good Lord.

3

Save us, Lord Christ, by the mystery of your holy incarnation, by your birth, childhood and obedience, by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

save us, Lord Christ.

By your ministry in word and work, by your mighty acts of power, and by your preaching of the kingdom,

save us, Lord Christ.

By your agony and trial, by your cross and passion, and by your precious death and burial,

save us, Lord Christ.

By your mighty resurrection, by your glorious ascension, and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

save us, Lord Christ.

4

FOR THE CHURCH

Hear us, good Lord: govern and direct your holy Church, fill it with love and truth, and grant it that unity which is your will, hear us, good Lord.

Give your Church courage to preach the gospel and to make disciples of all the nations,

hear us, good Lord.

Give knowledge and understanding to bishops, priests and deacons, that by their life and teaching they may proclaim your word.

hear us, good Lord.

Give all people grace to receive your word and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,

hear us, good Lord.

Bring all who have erred and are deceived into the way of truth, hear us, good Lord.

FOR THE STATE

Guard and bless our rulers, especially Elizabeth our Queen, the Prime Minister Boris Johnson, the Secretary of State Brandon Lewis and the Government, the First Minister Arlene Foster, Deputy First Minister Michelle O'Neill and the Executive also President Michael D Higgins, the Taoiseach Micheál Martin, Tánaiste Leo Varadkar and Government in the Republic, and grant that they may trust in you, and seek your honour and glory, hear us, good Lord.

Bless our country, and give grace, wisdom and understanding to all in authority,

hear us, good Lord.

Bless the European Nations,

and draw us closer to one another in justice and freedom,

hear us, good Lord.

Bless those who administer the law, that they may uphold justice in honesty and truth,

hear us, good Lord.

Bless and keep all who maintain peace and safety,

hear us, good Lord.

Give to all nations unity, peace and concord,

hear us, good Lord.

FOR ALL PEOPLE ACCORDING TO THEIR NEEDS

Strengthen the faithful, comfort and help the faint-hearted, raise up those who fall, and drive out all evil,

hear us, good Lord.

Support and encourage all who are in poverty, unemployment or distress, protect those whose work is dangerous, and keep in safety all who travel,

hear us, good Lord.

Keep fathers, mothers and children united in their family life, and give them wisdom and strength in times of stress,

hear us, good Lord.

Heal the sick, care for the old and lonely, and comfort the bereaved,

hear us, good Lord.

Remember the poor who long to hear good news: give us the will to strengthen them through acts of generous love,

hear us, good Lord.

Show your pity on victims of strife, on the homeless and the hungry, on prisoners, and on all who live in fear,

hear us, good Lord.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

hear us, good Lord.

Guide and direct all who influence others through the written or the spoken word, and inspire all who serve mankind in science, industry and art,

hear us, good Lord.

Bless and keep all your people,

hear us, good Lord.

Teach us to use the resources of the earth to your glory, that all may share in your goodness and praise you for your loving kindness.

hear us, good Lord.

5

Saviour of the world, forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done, and left undone; grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit that we may amend our lives according to your holy word, and share with all your people the joys of your eternal kingdom.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

Hymn CH 319

Father, of heaven, whose love profound A ransom for our souls has found, Before your throne we sinners bend; To us your pardoning love extend.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word, Our prophet, priest, redeemer, Lord, Before your throne we sinners bend; To us your 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. Thrice holy, Father, Spirit, Son; Mysterious Godhead, Three in One, Before your throne we sinners bend; Grace, pardon, life to us extend.

SERMON: THE RECTOR

Hymn CH 316

Bright the vision† that delighted once the sight of Judah'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 fulness stored: unto thee be glory given, holy, holy, holy Lord.'

Heaven is still with glory ringing, earth takes up the angels' cry, 'Holy, holy, holy', singing, 'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

With his seraph-train before him, with his holy Church below, thus conspire we to adore him, bid we thus our anthem flow:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven, earth is with thy fulness stored; unto thee be glory given, holy, holy, holy Lord.'

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. (All sing) Amen.

Hymn CH 346

Angel voices, ever singing round thy throne of light; angel harps, for ever ringing, rest not day nor night; thousands only live to bless thee, and confess thee, Lord of might.

Yea, we know that thou rejoicest o'er each work of thine; thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design; craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer of thine own to thee; and for thine acceptance proffer, all unworthily, hearts and minds, and hands and voices, in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might, and merit, thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, blessèd Trinity. Of the best that thou hast given, earth and heaven render thee.

GOING OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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