**Cobh and Glanmire Union of Parishes**

12th April, 2020

*EASTER DAY*

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Alleluia! Christ is risen**.**

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end. Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and power, through every age and for ever. **Amen.**

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PENITENCE**

As we prepare to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, let us pause for a moment and reflect on how we have failed to carry out our Christian calling to the full.

Lord God, you raised your Son from the dead.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, through you we are more than conquerors.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, you help us in our weakness.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

## Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

## Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

## 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.

**THE COLLECT**

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him; grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

**PROCLAIMING AND RECEIVING THE WORD**

# A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the assembled crowd in Caesarea: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 118, vv 1-2, 14-24**

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good: his mercy

endures for ever.

**Let Israel now proclaim: ‘His mercy endres for ever.’**

The Lord is my strength and my song: and has become my salvation. **Joyful shouts of salvation: shall sound from the tents of the righteous.**

‘The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds: the right hand of the Lord raises me up.’

**I shall not die but live: and proclaim the works of the Lord.**

The Lord has punished me sorely: but he has not given me over to death.

**Open to me the gates of righteousness: that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter through it.

**I will praise you, for you have answered me: and have bocome my salvation.**

The stone which the builders rejected: has become the chief corner-stone.

**This is the Lord’s doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**THE GOSPEL**

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ

according to St. Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen clothes by themselves; then he went

home, amazed at what had happened.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

# the renewal of baptismal vows

# As we celebrate again the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, we remember that through these saving acts we have died and been buried with him in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. We now renew the promises made at our baptism, to affirm our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil.

Do you renew and affirm the promises made when you were baptised?

**I do.**

Do you turn in faith to Christ?

**I do.**

Do you then renounce all evil?

**I do, by God’s help.**

Will you obey and serve Christ?

**I will, by God’s help.**

And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptised, and in which you live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed the human race?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit who gives life to the people of God?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,**

**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

He is not here, He is Risen.

Live in the peace of the Risen Christ

Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!