

THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL
AND COLLEGIATE CHURCH
OF SAINT PATRICK, DUBLIN



CHORAL EVENSONG
Sung by the Lay Vicars Choral

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
PASSION SUNDAY
29 March 2020

We are all one in Christ Jesus;
we welcome you in his name.

Thank you for joining us for worship here at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. In order to comply with the current HSE guidelines and following Government advice, we have reduced the number of people entering the Cathedral to the minimum to facilitate choral worship. No congregation are permitted to attend and social distancing is rigidly observed at all times within the building (though this may not appear always to be the case due to camera angle). In addition, hand washing facilities are available for all present and all surfaces likely to be touched are disinfected before and after each service.

Should the situation change then we will immediately adjust our practices to ensure compliance.

Please remain standing *The Minister and Choir sing*
The PRECES and RESPONSES
Robert Ashfield

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

Please sit *The Choir sings*

PSALM 142

Voce mea ad Dominum.

I cried unto the Lord with my voice: yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication. I poured out my complaints before him: and shewed him of my trouble. When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path: in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me. I looked also upon my right hand: and saw there was no man that would know me. I had no place to flee unto: and no man cared for my soul. I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said: Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living. Consider my complaint: for I am brought very low. O deliver me from my persecutors: for they are too strong for me. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name: which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

Please stand

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.

Please sit *A Minister reads*

THE FIRST LESSON

Lamentations 3: 19-33

Please stand The Choir sings

MAGNIFICAT

in F sharp Francis Jackson (b.1917)

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. 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.

Please sit A Minister reads

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 20: 17-34

Please stand The Choir sings

NUNC DIMITTIS

in F sharp Francis Jackson (b.1917)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation: which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel. 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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary: suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost: the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints: the forgiveness of sins: the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Minister and Choir sing the SUFFRAGES and RESPONSES

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit, according to your custom

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Minister intones the COLLECTS

THE FIRST COLLECT *Of the day*

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SECOND COLLECT *For Peace*

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

THE THIRD COLLECT *For Aid against all Perils*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please sit

THE ANTHEM

What bruises do I see! What hideous stripes are those! Could any cruel be Enough to give such blows? Look, how they bind His arms and vex His soul with scorns, upon His hair they make Him wear a crown of piercing thorns. Through hands and feet sharp nails they beat: And now the cross they rear: Many look on; but only John stands by to sigh, Mary to shed a tear.

Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

Eoghan Desmond (2017)

The Dean says

Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit, according to your custom

The Prayers conclude with THE GRACE said by all:

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

Please stand to sing

HYMN



1. O sacred head, surrounded
By crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding head, so wounded,
Reviled, and put to scorn!
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee,
The glow of life decays,
Yet angel-hosts adore thee,
And tremble as they gaze.

2. In this thy bitter passion,
Good Shepherd, think of me,
With thy most sweet compassion,
Unworthy though I be:
Beneath thy cross abiding
For ever would I rest,
In thy dear love confiding,
And with thy presence blest.

Latin, 12th cent., tr. Henry Baker (1821–77)

arr. J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

Please remain standing

THE BLESSING

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY