



NOTICES



Ordination of Andrea Cotter as Deacon

Andrea is being ordained as Deacon in St Anne's Cathedral this afternoon.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions this event is by invitation only.

Let's uphold Andrea in prayer as she takes the next step in her journey!

Return to Church

We are delighted to be back in church worshipping together!

Please continue to remember to 'book-in' to attend Church by contacting the church office (02825630741) between Monday – Wednesday 10am-12pm. Please leave your name, contact number and the number of people booking in with you.

We strongly encourage you to wear a face covering (unless you are medically exempt).

Beirut – opportunity to donate via Bishops' Appeal

The Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal has long supported Christian Aid and Tearfund partners in Beirut in their work with vulnerable communities, not least people living with disabilities, people who are refugees, people who have or are exposed to Gender Based Violence and people in need of basic humanitarian assistance such as food and shelter. In the wake of the horrific explosion in Beirut last Tuesday, which has killed more than 150 people, injured 5,000 and left 300,000 people homeless, Christian Aid and Tearfund partners are assessing the damage and the needs in the city.

Bishops' Appeal extends the opportunity to all parishes and individuals who wish to contribute to these vital efforts to do so via Bishops' Appeal.

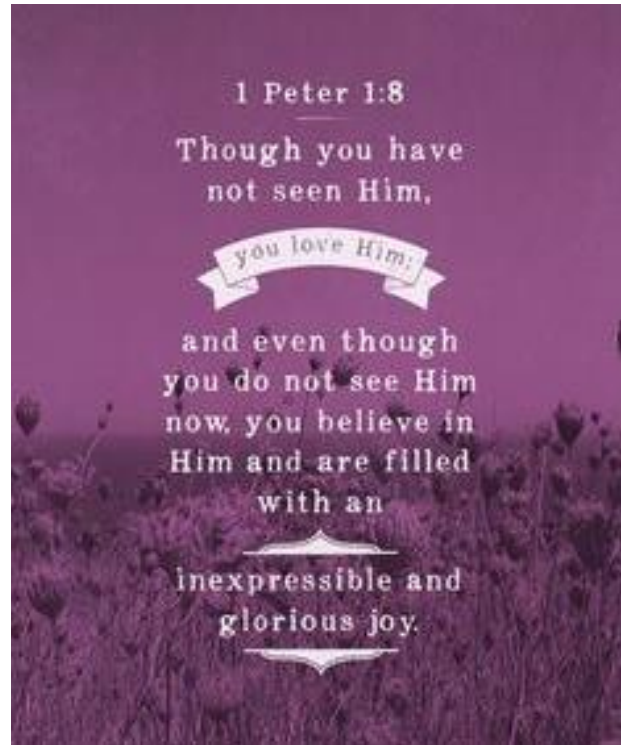
Donations can be made online or sent to Bishops' Appeal, Beirut Response, Church of Ireland House, Church Avenue, Rathmines, D6.



Sunday Morning Worship

13th September 2020

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity



***Please come with us on a journey of prayer, praise and worship this morning.
Join in with us using the words in red print.***

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Confession

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in penitence and faith:

Please join in with the response to 'In your mercy, forgive us' – 'Lord, hear us and help us.'

*In your mercy, forgive us'
'Lord, hear us and help us.'*

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief:

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.
Amen.

Absolution

Psalm 23

Together we will read the hymn version of Psalm 23...

*1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.*

*2 My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.*

*3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill,
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.*

*4 My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.*

*5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house forever more
my dwelling place shall be.*

Kids Talk

Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
Give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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 from the Holy Spirit and 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.

Bible Reading – 1 Peter 1:7-10

Father God, Open the eyes of our understanding and prepare our hearts by the power of Your Spirit, that we may receive Your Word with much joy and rejoicing and may we leave here having a deeper understanding of Who You are.
Amen.

Sermon

Prayers and Intercessions

Lord, You are the bread of heaven, giving life to the world.
You fill us with Your goodness.
You come to our weakness with Your strength.
Come, refresh, renew, restore us,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
lives in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

In our prayers and intercessions this morning the response to 'Lord in Your Mercy' is '*Hear our prayer.*'

'Lord in Your Mercy'
'Hear our prayer.'

When we feel overwhelmed by the things going on around us increase our faith,
When we feel troubled help us to hear Your words: 'take heart: do not be afraid.'
Give to Your church a new vision of Yourself and of Your saving power.
Go with us as we go out to proclaim Your love.

Lord in Your Mercy
Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who work for Your kingdom throughout our nation and the world. Strengthen and guide them. Uphold them when they are in danger of being overwhelmed.
We also pray for all those who reach out in faith towards You. May they find You as they seek You.

Lord in Your Mercy
Hear our prayer.

We pray that Your church would hunger and thirst after righteousness.
May we, Your church, seek to care for and feed the hungry in spirit.
May we seek out the lost, and those in desert places, and offer them the sustenance of the Gospel.

Lord in Your Mercy
Hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray for all those who are struggling,
for the fearful, the weary and the despairing.
We ask that You would comfort and restore the broken-hearted by the power of Your name.

Lord in Your Mercy
Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all those who have fed us and cared for us.
We remember all who have shown compassion and tenderness to us.
Lord, bless our loved ones, our homes and our communities.
Fill our deep longing for You with Your presence and Your peace.
Lord, keep us in Your perfect grace and peace with hearts and minds fixed on You.
In the name of Your precious Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer

Wherever we are now, we use the words that our Lord and Saviour Himself taught us to pray.

Let's say together:

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.

Closing Prayer and Blessing

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw us to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen us in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**