

## Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018 – Trinity 21



**W**elcome to you today if your heart is singing and welcome if your heart is breaking. Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow and welcome if you don't have a care in the world. Welcome if your conscience is troubling you and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness. Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning and welcome if you had to drag yourself out. Welcome if this is your first visit, and welcome if you have barely missed a single Sunday since the turn of the century. Whether you are here as a visitor or a pilgrim, a seeker or a doubter, a saint or a sinner, a friend or a stranger: **you are welcome!** Our service comes from the **Book of Common Prayer (Morning Prayer P101 and Holy Communion P201)**. Hymns come from the **Red Church Hymnal (CH)**. You will also find the relevant parts and supplementary songs on this sheet. If you need further assistance please feel free to ask one of our 'regulars' and they will be only too happy to help you. Toilets and Baby Changing Facilities are beside the church. We hope you enjoy worshipping here with us this morning.

**Welcome/Introduction (Book of Common Prayer – P101)**

**Hymn CH614: Great Shepherd Of Your People**

**Confession/Absolution (Book of Common Prayer – P102)**

**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.**

**Euro Sermon**

**Song: Big Family Of God**

Some of us are big and tall, some of us are very small.

Some of us like pink and some like blue.

Some of us like reading books, some of us like feeding ducks.

That's because we're different, me and you...

But God loves everyone he's made; God loves each of us, in a special way...

That's you and you and you and you, and you and you and you and you...

God loves you! God loves you!

That's you and you and you and you and you and you and you and you.

We're part of the big family of God!

Some of us have curly hair; some of us have specs to wear.

All of us have different families.

Some of us are very loud; some of us don't make a sound.

That's because we're different you and me...

**Proclaiming and Receiving the Word (Book of Common Prayer – P103)**

O Lord, open our lips: **and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

O God, make speed to save us: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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.**

Praise the Lord: **The Lord's name be praised.**

### **Psalm 17:1-6 (Book of Common Prayer – P607)**

<sup>1</sup> Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider my complaint; listen to my prayer, which comes not from lying lips. <sup>2</sup> Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes behold what is right. <sup>3</sup> Weigh my heart, examine me by night, refine me, and you will find no impurity in me. <sup>4</sup> My mouth does not trespass for earthly rewards; I have heeded the words of your lips. <sup>5</sup> My footsteps hold fast in the ways of your commandments; my feet have not stumbled in your paths. <sup>6</sup> I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me, and listen to my words.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; **as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

### **Reading: Colossians 4:2-6**

<sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. <sup>3</sup> And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. <sup>4</sup> Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. <sup>5</sup> Be wise in the way you act towards outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. <sup>6</sup> Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

### **Hymn CH606: As The Deer**

#### **Sermon**

### **Hymn CH627: What A Friend We Have In Jesus**

#### **The Apostles' Creed (Book of Common Prayer – P112)**

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 (Book of Common Prayer – P112)**

The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

#### **The Lord's Prayer (Book of Common Prayer – P113)**

**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.**

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

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers: **and grant our 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.**

### Collect of the Day: Trinity 21

Merciful Lord, Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Prayers of Intercession

At the end of each prayer: Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

At the end of the prayers: Merciful Father: **accept these prayers for the sake of you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### The Grace (Book of Common Prayer – P116)

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.**

### Announcements

Closing and Offertory Hymn CH618: Lord Of All Hopefulness

### Closing Diocesan 20:20 Prayer

Heavenly Father, we want to catch your vision for these dioceses and for our parish. But to catch your vision we first need to listen to you. Too often we leave you out. Forgive us. Help us to catch a sense of where your Spirit is leading. Give us courage to love and serve you. Give us boldness to proclaim Christ faithfully and to build your kingdom. Lord, come to us; our door is open. **Amen.**

### Blessing And Dismissal

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

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## Virginia Group - Weekly Announcements

### Hospital Visits

If you or someone you know is in hospital and you would like a visit please let the Rector know.

### October Services

21<sup>st</sup> October 2018: 9.45am Killinkere, 10.45am Virginia, 12pm Billis – Morning Prayer.

28<sup>th</sup> October 2018: 9.45am Killinkere, 10.45am Virginia – Morning Prayer **NO BILLIS SERVICE**

### Announcements: Diocesan/Community

**“Annie Get Your Gun”** in Bailieborough Community School at 8pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2018. Tickets are €12 (Children €10). To book tickets contact 089 4066139

**Give Blood:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2018 in Virginia College from 4.30pm to 8pm.

**Cavan Civil Defence First Aid Classes:** Commences Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October in Virginia Show Centre at 8pm. Free for anyone over the age of 18.

### Announcements: Parish General

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** If you know someone who might like a shawl (e.g. ill or bereaved) contact Ivy Stewart (049) 8545036 or Vida McCauley (049) 8548465.

**Bowling Club:** Monday's in Billis Hall at 8pm.

**Gigglers & Wrigglers (Baby & Toddler Group):** Tuesdays in Virginia Hall from 10am to 12pm.

**Whist Drives:** October 30<sup>th</sup> from 9pm in Virginia Parish Hall.

**Autumn Bible Study: ‘Colossians – Confident Christianity’** - Wednesday: October 24<sup>th</sup> in the Rectory from 8pm to 9pm.

**Youth: Grazers** (Secondary School 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Year): October 26<sup>th</sup> in Billis Hall from 8.30pm to 10pm.

**Mothers' Union:** Next meeting: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 8pm in Virginia Parish Hall.

**Car Boot Sales:** November 17<sup>th</sup>, December 15<sup>th</sup>. All in Virginia Church Grounds. Gates open at 8am. Cars €10 and Vans €15.

**Concert in Aid of the Virginia Group of Parishes:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 at 9pm, Billis Hall featuring 'Old Stage Coach' – Country Music. Tickets €10.

**Free Charity Concert:** Virginia Church of Ireland on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 8pm. Evening of Classical, French and Irish Music. Donations on the night to Virginia Cancer Care.

**Messy Church Meeting:** Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018 at 7.30pm in the Rectory.

**Messy Church:** 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in Billis Hall from 3pm to 5pm.

**JOY (Just Older Youth):** Our next monthly Joy Club meeting takes place on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** 2018 in Virginia Parish Hall from 2.30pm to 4pm. A time to catch up, chat, enjoy a cuppa...

**Safeguarding Trust Training:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in Virginia Hall at 7.30pm

**Confirmation 2018:** Date of Confirmation Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 at 10.30am in Bailieborough.

**Weekly Collection** - The weekly offering is an important part of our Christian life and enables ministry to happen across the Virginia Group of Parishes, we are grateful for the generosity of many and for the volunteer work of our treasurers, however as banks become more particular and fussy about lodgements can we ask (even if it means combining a number of weeks collection) that weekly envelopes contain notes only rather than coins (which the banks don't want to take!). If you need envelopes do let the Rector know and the treasurer will provide you with them. Alternatively you can sign up to direct debit either again ask the Rector for details. Thanks You.

## October Prayer Focus

**Worldwide Church:** Central America, Congo, England, Hong Kong. **Church of Ireland Diocese: Clogher:** Bishop John McDowell. **Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh Diocese:** Bishop Ferran Glenfield. **KEA Children's and Youth Co-Ordinators:** Hannah O'Neill and Damian Shorten. **Kildrumferton Group:** Revd Simon Scott (Ballyjamesduff, Ballymahugh and Kildrumferton), **Edgeworthstown Group:** Revd Christiaan Snell (Mostrim, Granard, Clonbroney, Kilo, Rathaspeck Streete, Kilglass. **Other Local Churches:** Mary Immaculate - Virginia, Maghera, Clanaphilip, Killinkere, Munterconnaught. Belassis. Redeemed Church of God, Word of Life. **Parish/Townlands:** Carrickeeshil, Carrickgorman, Carricknamaddoo, Carricknaveagh, Cleffin, Cleggan, Coolnacola, Coppanagh Glebe, Coragh.

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If you want anything included on this sheet please let Craig know by **Thursday** at the latest.