



UNITED DIOCESES OF DUBLIN & GLENDALOUGH

CONFIRMATION WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Most Rev'd Dr Michael Jackson
Archbishop of Dublin and Bishop of Glendalough,
Primate of Ireland and Metropolitan

Holy Trinity, Killiney

Sunday, 17th May 2026 at 10.45am

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: Sunday after Ascension Day

The Gathering of God's People

Processional Hymn No. 636

1. May the mind of Christ my Saviour
live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling
all I do and say.
2. May the word of God enrich me
with his truth from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph
only through his power.
3. May the peace of God my Father
in my life for ever reign,
that I may be calm to comfort
those in grief and pain.
4. May the love of Jesus fill me
as the waters fill the sea,
him exalting, self abasing -
this is victory!
5. May his beauty rest upon me
as I seek to make him known;
so that all may look to Jesus,
seeing him alone.
6. May I run the race before me
strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus
as I onward go

The Archbishop says:

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all:

And also with you.

The Archbishop introduces the service and then says:

Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy and confess that we need forgiveness

A pause for reflection.

Lord God, you created the world, and made us in your own image.

Forgive us when we turn away from you.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord God, through your Son you overcame evil and death.

Rescue us from slavery to sin.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord God, by your Spirit you restore us to fellowship with you and with one another. Breathe your love and freedom into our lives.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

The Collect

O God the King of Glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
Mercifully give us faith to know
that, as he promised,
he abides with us on earth to the end of time;
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Heavenly Father,
by water and the Holy Spirit
you give your faithful people new life:
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again
may serve you in faith and love,
and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

1st Reading –Acts 1:6:14

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon

the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Gradual Hymn No. 299

1. Holy Spirit, come, confirm us
in the truth that Christ makes known;
we have faith and understanding
through your helping gifts alone.

2. Holy Spirit, come, console us,
come as advocate to plead,
loving Spirit from the Father,
grant in Christ the help we need.

3. Holy Spirit, come, renew us,
come yourself to make us live,
holy through your loving presence,
holy through the gifts you give.

4. Holy Spirit, come, possess us,
you the love of Three in One,
Holy Spirit of the Father,
Holy Spirit of the Son.

The Holy Gospel. Please stand:

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to St John, chapter 17, beginning at verse 1

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Address: His Grace, the Archbishop of Dublin

The Presentation (The Candidates Stand)

The Archbishop asks the candidates together:

Have you been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?

I have.

Are you ready with your own mouth and from your own heart to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?

I am.

The Archbishop asks the Clergy who have been responsible for the care and preparation of the candidates:

Have these persons been carefully prepared in their understanding of the Christian faith?

I believe they have.

The Decision (The Candidates respond to these questions together)

In baptism, God calls us from darkness to his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all proud rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life?

I come to Christ.

The Archbishop says to the congregation (All Stand)

You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ.

Will you support them in this calling?

We will support them.

The Profession of Faith

The Archbishop asks the candidates

Do you believe and accept the Christian faith into which you are baptized?

I do.

The Archbishop addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates the faith of the Church.

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 power of 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.

Please sit

Choir Anthem: 'Had we but hearkened' by H. Walford Davies

The Confirmation

The Archbishop says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord;
who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord:
now, and for ever. Amen.

Silence and then the Archbishop prays the confirmation prayer

Almighty and everliving God,
whose Son Jesus Christ was crucified and rose again
to break the power of sin and death:
We give you thanks and praise for the gift of your Holy Spirit
by whom your servants have been born again
and made your children.
Grant that in the power of the same Holy Spirit
they may continue to grow in the knowledge and likeness of Christ;
increase in them your gracious gifts,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of right judgment and inward strength,
the spirit of knowledge and godly living;
and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of reverence for you. **Amen**

Those who are to be confirmed kneel before the Archbishop, who lays a hand upon each saying :

_____ God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm O Lord your servant _____ with your heavenly grace, that
(s)he may continue to be yours for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more
until (s)he comes to your eternal kingdom.
*And each one of them answers: **Amen.***

The Archbishop continues:

Heavenly Father, we pray for your servants
upon whom we have now laid our hands, after the example of the
apostles, to assure them by this sign of your favour towards them.
May your fatherly hand ever be over them.
Let your Holy Spirit ever be with them.
Lead them to know and obey your word, and keep them in eternal
life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Commission (*Candidates Stand*)

Those who are baptized are called to worship and serve God.
Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
With the help of God I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil,
and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

With the help of God I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example
the good news of God in Christ?

With the help of God I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people,
loving your neighbour as yourself?

With the help of God I will.

The Peace All stand and the Archbishop says

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn No. 421

During the hymn a collection will be taken for the Archbishop's Ministry Training Fund

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| 1. I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall
in love laid down for me. | 4. The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here. |
| 2. I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread | 5. Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and, as his people in the world
we'll live and speak his praise |
| 3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us
share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends. | |

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

The Taking of the Bread and Wine (*Remain standing*)

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us
Therefore let us celebrate the feast.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Father, Lord of all creation, we praise you for your goodness and your love. When we turned away you did not reject us. You came to meet us in your Son, welcomed us as your children and prepared a table where we might feast with you. In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

He opened wide his arms upon the cross and, with love stronger than death, he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.

Lord Jesus Christ, our redeemer, on the night before you died you came to table with your friends. Taking bread, you gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them saying, Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

**Lord Jesus, we bless you:
you are the bread of life.**

At the end of supper you took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**Lord Jesus, we bless you:
you are the true vine.**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:
**Dying, you destroyed our death,
Rising, you restored our life;
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us, who know our need of grace,
one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say
Our Father, who art in heaven ...

The Breaking of the Bread

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Communion

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God, who has taken away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Communicants of all Christian Churches are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
When Communion is finished, we will keep silent for a short time.*

The Post Communion Prayers

Eternal Giver of love and power,
Your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world

to preach the gospel of his kingdom.
Confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 643

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| 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me, save that thou
art,
thou my best thought in the day and the
night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my
light. | 4. Riches I heed not, nor vain empty
praise,
thou mine inheritance through all my
days;
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou
art! |
| 2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true
word,
I ever with thee, and thou with me,
Lord;
thou my great Father, and I thy true
heir;
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care | 5. High King of heaven, when the battle is
done,
grant heaven's joy to me, O bright
heaven's sun,
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all. |
| 3. Be thou my breast-plate, my sword
for the fight;
be thou my armour, and be thou my
might;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high
tower,
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of
my power. | |

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

Following this service everyone is invited to join us for refreshments in The Carry Hall.

Congratulations to the 2026 Holy Trinity, Killiney Confirmation Class.



Last Sunday they raised over €1,000 for Christian Aid.