

**Evening Prayer** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021 of the 2nd week of Lent  
**at 5.00 pm online [www.donnybrook.parish.ie](http://www.donnybrook.parish.ie)**

**Luna is placed in the Monstrance. Hymn: Laudate omnes gentes.**

**ALL:** O God, come to our aid, O Lord, make haste to help us.

**ALL:** 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.**

**HYMN: Here I am Lord**

Psalm 61 (62) **Peace in God**

We are waiting in hope for the blessings of the glorious coming of our savior.

In God alone is my soul at rest; my help comes from him.  
 He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm.

How long will you all attack one man to break him down,  
 As though he were a tottering wall, or a tumbling fence?

Their plan is only to destroy: they take pleasure in lies.  
 With their mouth they utter blessing but in their heart they curse.

In God alone be at rest, my soul: for my hope comes from him.  
 He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm.

In God is my safety and glory, the rock of my strength.  
 Take refuge in God, all you people. Trust him at all times.  
 Pour out your hearts before him for God is our refuge.

Common folk are only a breath, great men an illusion.  
 Placed in the scales, they rise; they weigh less than a breath.

Do not put your trust in oppression nor vain hopes on plunder.  
 Do not set your heart on riches even when they increase.

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For God has said only one thing: only two do I know:  
that to God alone belongs power and to you, Lord, love:  
and that you repay each man according to his deeds.

**ALL:** 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.

**ALL:** We are awaiting in hope for the blessings of the glorious coming of our Saviour.

### **Psalm Prayer**

Lord God, you reward each one according to his works. Hear us as we pour out our hearts to you, seeking your grace and secure protection. We look to you for our stable hope in a constantly changing world.

### **Psalm 66 (67)**

Let God bless us, let his face shine upon us.

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon the earth and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the peoples praise you, O God: Let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God: let all the peoples praise you.

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The earth has yielded its fruit for God, our God has blessed us.  
 May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.

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**ALL:** Let God bless us, let his face shine upon us.

**Short Reading                      Philippians 2:12-15**

Work for your salvation in fear and trembling, for it is God, for his own loving purpose, who puts both the will and the action into you. Do all that has to be done without complaining or arguing and then you will be innocent and genuine, you will be children of God.

**Soul of Christ**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
 Body of Christ, save me.  
 Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
 Water from Christ's side, wash me.  
 Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
 O good Jesus, hear me.  
 Within your wounds hide me.  
 Let me not be separated from you.  
 From the enemy defend me,  
 At my death call me  
 And bid me, come to you  
 That with your saints I may praise you  
 For ever and ever. **Amen.**

Dear Lord we have come together this evening online and few of us here in Church to show you how much we love you and how much we need you. We dig deep within our being and present ourselves to you in prayer and thanksgiving. We humbly bow down before you. Please hear our prayers at this very difficult time.

### **Prayer from a Canticle by St. John of the Cross**

"We must dig deeply in Christ. He is like a rich mine with many pockets containing treasures: however deep we dig we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides."

---*St. John of the Cross*

**Time for Reflection, personal Prayer and Hymns before Our Lord present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.**

### **Hymns during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

- 1. Nade Te Turbe (Let nothing trouble you)**
- 2. Nearer My God To Thee**
- 3. O, Lord My God**
- 4 Stay with Me**
- 5. Be Still my Soul**
- 6. Ave Maria**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, who for the love you bear us, remain night and day in this Sacrament, full of compassion and of love, awaiting, calling and welcoming all who come to visit you. We believe that you are present in the Sacrament of the Altar. We adore you from the abyss of our nothingness and we thank you for all the graces you have given us, in particular, for having given us your Most Holy Mother Mary as our advocate.

***O Blood and water which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus as a fount of Mercy for us, We trust in you.***

## **Prayer of St. Francis de Sales to St. Joseph**

Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Virgin Mary, we beseech you through the Heart of Jesus Christ, grant to us your fatherly protection.

O you whose power reaches all our necessities and who knows how to make possible the most impossible things, open your fatherly eyes to the needs of your children. In the confusion and pain which press upon us, we have recourse to you with confidence.

Deign to take beneath your charitable guidance the important and difficult affair, the cause of our worries, and make that its happy outcome serve for the glory of God and the good of his devoted servants. **Amen**

## **Prayer to Our Lord**

Lord, in every need let me come to You with humble trust saying, **ALL Jesus, help me.**

In all my doubts, perplexities, and temptations, **ALL: Jesus, help me.**

In hours of loneliness, weariness, and trials, **ALL: Jesus, help me.**

In the failure of my plans and hopes; in disappointments, troubles, and sorrows,  
**ALL: Jesus, help me.**

When others fail me and Your grace alone can assist me, **ALL: Jesus help me.**

When I throw myself on Your tender love as a father and savior, **ALL: Jesus, help me.**

When my heart is cast down by failure at seeing no good come from my efforts,  
**ALL: Jesus, help me.**

When I feel impatient and my cross irritates me, **ALL: Jesus, help me.**

When I am ill and my head and hands cannot work and I am lonely,  
**ALL: Jesus, help me.**

Always, always, in spite of weakness, falls and shortcomings of every kind, Jesus, help us and never forsake us. **Amen.**

## INTERCESSIONS

To God be honour and glory. He has sealed the new covenant in the blood of Christ and renews it in the sacrament of the altar. In confidence, we pray,

**Response: ALL: Lord, bless your people**

Lord, guide nations and their rulers according to your will, may they work for the common good with one mind and heart.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

Renew the spirit of service in those who have left all to follow Christ, may the holiness of your Church be revealed in their lives. Give them the strength and courage they need particularly at this difficult time and keep them within the shelter of your Sacred Heart.

**ALL Lord, bless your people**

Lord, hear the cry of those who yearn for peace; in battle zones, the frightened, fearful, anxious or worried.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

Lord, hear the cry of those who yearn for healing; physical and spiritual, those who are hurting, weakened, depressed, fearful.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

You have made all of us in your likeness; help us to rid the world of every injustice.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

Come with your Truth and friendship to those who have lost their way; teach us how to help them. Teach us how to find you.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

Lord, remember all who have died. May they enjoy the promise of eternal happiness. May those who mourn receive the strength they need to assist them in their sadness and grief.

**ALL: Lord, bless your people**

CANTICLE OF MARY Magnificat *(All stand and recite together)*

**ALL:** The Almighty has done great things for me, holy is his name

My soul glorifies the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness,  
henceforth all ages will call be blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age,  
On those who fear him

He puts forth his arm in strength  
and scatters the proud-hearted.  
He casts the mighty from their thrones  
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,  
He sends the rich away empty.  
He protects Israel, his servant,  
remembering his mercy,  
the mercy promised to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his sons forever

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.

**ALL** The Almighty has done great things for me, holy is his name.

**Let us pray now in Our Father's Words...**

**ALL: Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name .....**

### **The Divine Praises**

**ALL:** Blessed be God

Blessed be His Holy Name

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man

Blessed be the name of Jesus

Blessed be his Most Sacred Heart

Blessed be his Most Precious Blood

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar

Blessed be the Holy Spirit the Paraclete

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse

Blessed be God in his Angels and in His Saints. Amen

**Luna is reposed back into the Tabernacle**

**Hymn: O Sacrament Most Holy**

### **Concluding Prayer**

Protect and strengthen us, Lord, this Lenten Season. Strengthen us with your consoling presence and lead us to the joys of heaven. This we ask through Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen. Our Lady, **Pray for us.**

St. Joseph, **Pray for us.**

**May** Our Lord and our Saviour Bless us, keep us all from every evil and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty.