

## Evening Prayer Wednesday 22nd November, 2023

*St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr*

At 5.00 pm in Church and online [www.donnybrookparish.ie](http://www.donnybrookparish.ie)

**Hymn: Make Me A Channel of your Peace**

**Invitatory Psalm**

**99 (100)**

**Leader: The Lord is the king of martyrs: come, let us adore him.**

**ALL** Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Go within his gates, giving thanks. Enter his courts with songs of praise.

Give thanks to him and bless his name.

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age.

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.

The Lord is the king of martyrs: come, let us adore him

**Psalm 26 (27):1-6**

**Leader: The Lord is my light and my help: whom shall I fear?**

**ALL:** The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

When evil-doers draw near to devour my flesh, it is they,  
my enemies and foes, who stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me my heart would not fear.  
Though war break out against me even then would I trust.

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,  
to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple.

For there he keeps me safe in his tent in the day of evil.  
He hides me in the shelter of his tent, on a rock he sets me safe.

And now my head shall be raised above my foes who surround me and I  
shall offer within his tent a sacrifice of joy. I will sing and make music for the  
Lord.

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.

The Lord is my light and my help: whom shall I fear?

**Psalm 26 (27): 7-14**

**Leader: It is your face, O Lord, that I seek: hide not your face.**

**ALL:** O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.  
Of you my heart has spoken: 'seek his face'.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face  
Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God my help!  
Though father and mother forsake me, the Lord will receive me.

Instruct me Lord in your way; on an even path lead me.

When they lie in ambush protect me from the enemy's greed.  
False witnesses rise against me, breathing out fury.

I am sure I will see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living,  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

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.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek: hide not your face.

### **Reader reads Psalm-Prayer**

Father, you protect and strengthen those who hope in you; you heard the cry  
of your Son and kept him safe in your tent in the day of evil. Grant that your  
servants who seek your face in times of trouble may see your goodness in the  
land of the living.

**Canticle** (Colossians 1)

**Leader: He is the first-born of all creation, he is supreme over all creatures.**

**ALL:** Let us give thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible.

All things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the Church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

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.

He is the first-born of all creation, he is supreme over all creatures.

## **Reader Reads Scripture Reading**

1 Peter 4:13-14

Beloved, if you can have some share in the sufferings of Christ, be glad, because you will enjoy a much greater gladness when his glory is revealed. It is a blessing for you when they insult you for bearing the name of Christ, because it means that you have the Spirit of glory, the Spirit of God resting on you.

## **Reader Leads Short Responsory**

- You have tested us God and you have brought us out into freedom again.
  - *You have tested us God and you have brought us out into freedom again.*
  - You have refined us like silver.
  - *You have tested us God and you have brought us out into freedom again.*
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- *You have tested us God and you have brought us out into freedom again.*

### ***Annemarie:***

Music is the language of the soul." "Sing a song, and you'll find your troubles fading away."

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

**Hymns:**

1. **Nearer to the Heart of God/Nearer My God to Thee** (Healing Music)
2. **Beautiful Saviour** (Steven Sharp Nelson)
3. **Be Thou My Vision/Take Time To Be Holy** (Jason Tonioli, Elizabeth Velez Urie)
4. **O My Father** (Steven Sharp Nelson)
5. **Ave Verum Corpus** (Patricia Petibon)

**ALL: Prayer to St. Joseph**

O Saint Joseph, you are a man greatly favoured by the Most High. The angel of the Lord appeared to you in dreams, while you slept, to warn you and guide you as you cared for the Holy Family. You were both silent and strong, a loyal and courageous protector.

Dear St. Joseph, as you rest in the Lord, confident in his absolute power and goodness, look upon us. Please take our needs into your heart and present them to your Son. Help us then, good St. Joseph, to hear the voice of God, to arise and to act with love. We praise and thank God with joy. St. Joseph, we love you. **Amen**

**CANTICLE OF MARY Magnificat.**

**Leader: Cecilia always bore the gospel of Christ in her heart: day or night she never ceased from prayer and converse with God.**

**ALL:** 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.

Cecilia always bore the gospel of Christ in her heart: day or night she never ceased from prayer and converse with God.

**Reader Leads****INTERCESSIONS**

Let us pray to God our Father:

*R: We praise you Christ the Lord.*

We pray that we will always protect and cherish all of God's creation.

*R: We praise you Christ the Lord.*

We pray for Pope Francis and for all Church leaders.

We pray for priests and religious of our Parish, that the Holy Spirit will enlighten and guide them.

*R: We praise you Christ the Lord.*

We pray for Peace throughout the world. Lord, grant us peace, teach us peace; guide all in the way of peace.

*R: We praise you Christ the Lord.*

Lord welcome our departed brothers and sisters into the company of Mary, Joseph, St.Cecilia and all the saints.

*R: We praise you Christ the Lord.*

**Let us pray Our Lord's prayer together:**

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

**To Mary, we pray:**

Hail Mary, Full of Grace ...

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to you.



**READER LEADS The Divine Praises**

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 in the Tabernacle.**     O Sacrament Most Holy ...

**ALL: Concluding Prayer:** Lord, in your mercy listen to our prayers which we offer you under the patronage of St. Cecilia. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, *Pray for us.*

St. Joseph, *Pray for us.*

St. Michael the Archangel, *Pray for us.*

St. Cecilia, *Pray for us.*

**ALL:** The Lord bless us and keep us close to Him and grant us His everlasting Peace. Amen.

Final Hymn: Irish Blessing (The Priests)