

Evening Prayer Wednesday 25th January, 2023
The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle
At 5.00 pm in Church and online www.donnybrook.parish.ie

Hymn: Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

ALL: Lord, open our lips. And we shall praise your name.

ALL RECITE: Psalm 66 (67)

Let us give praise to God for the conversion of the Teacher of the nations.

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.

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.

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.

Let us give praise to God for the conversion of the Teacher of the nations.

ALL Psalm 115 (116B)

I will boast freely of my weakness, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

I trusted, even when I said: 'I am sorely afflicted,' and when I said in my alarm: 'No one can be trusted.'

How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people.
O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful.

Your servant Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make; I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

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

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Reader Reads Psalm-prayer

Lord, accept the prayers of your faithful people. Help us always to offer you a sacrifice of praise. Quickly break the bonds that hold your children down and we will fulfil our vows and praise you every day.

ALL RECITE **Psalm 125 (126)** Gladness and hope in the Lord

I planted, Apollo watered, but it is God who gave the increase.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream,
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were
songs.

The heathens themselves said: “What marvels the Lord worked for
them!” What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves.

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.

I planted, Apollo watered, but it is God who gave the increase.

Reader Reads Psalm Prayer

Lord, you have raised us from the earth; may you let the seeds of justice, which we
have sown in tears, grow and increase in your sight. May we reap in joy the
harvest we hope for patiently.

ALL RECITE Canticle (Ephesians 1)

For me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain; I must glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places.

He chose him before the foundation of the world, that we should be
holy and blameless before him.

He destined us in love to be his children through Jesus Christ,
according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace
which he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our
trespasses, according to the riches of his grace which he lavished
upon us.

He has made known to us in all wisdom and insight the mystery of
his will, according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ.

His purpose he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to
unite all things in him, things in heaven and on earth.

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.
***For me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain; I must glory in the cross
of our Lord Jesus Christ.***

Reader Reads Scripture Reading

1 Peter 5:5-7

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I have worked harder than any of the others: or rather, not I but the grace of God that is with me.

Reader Leads Short Responsory

I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.

- *I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.*

I will tell of your name among the peoples.

- *I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

- *I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.*

Annemarie:

If God is for us, who can be against us? (St Paul)

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

Hymns:

- 1. How Great Thou Art**
- 2. Abide With Me**
- 3. Jesus Loves Me**
- 4. Seek Ye First**
- 5. O Holy Jesus**

ALL O Sacred Heart of Jesus we place all our trust in You.

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**

ALL RECITE CANTICLE OF MARY Magnificat.

St. Paul, apostle, preacher of the truth and teacher of the nations, pray for us to God, who chose you.

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.

St. Paul, apostle, preacher of the truth and teacher of the nations, pray for us to God, who chose you.

Reader Leads**INTERCESSIONS**

Since we are part of a building that has the apostles for its foundation, let us pray to the Father for his holy people.

- *Lord, remember your Church.*

Lord, we pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our Church, our Priests and Religious and on our Parish Community.

- *Lord, remember your Church.*

Lord, we pray for all who are sick and for those who take care of them. We pray for all who are in need of our prayers.

- *Lord, remember your Church.*

Lord, we pray for all our faithful departed, may they be welcomed into your loving embrace.

- *Lord, remember your Church.*

Let us pray the words Our Lord gave us:

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

Pray to Mary, Our Mother.

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: Today, Lord, we celebrate the conversion of St. Paul, your chosen vessel for carrying your name to the whole world. Help us to make our way towards you by following in his footsteps and by witnessing to your truth. Through our Lord 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, Queen of Peace, *Pray for us.*

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

St. Paul, *Pray for us.*

ALL: May the Lord bless us, may He make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us. May He turn his face towards us and give us His peace.

Amen

Hymn. Let There Be Peace On Earth (The Choirboys)