



EUCCHARISTIC NOVENA

Friday, 3 December 2010

Christ the King Church, Omagh

Gather us together

Welcome

This evening's Novena will be led by the Parish of Drumragh.

Novena Prayer

Lord Jesus,
You were sent by the Father
to gather together those who are scattered.
You came among us, doing good and bringing
healing,
announcing the Word of salvation
and giving the Bread which lasts forever.
Be our companion on life's pilgrim way.
May your Holy Spirit inflame our hearts,
enliven our hope and open our minds,
so that together with our sisters and brothers in faith
we may recognise you in the Scriptures and in the
breaking of bread.
May your Holy Spirit transform us into one body
and lead us to walk humbly on the earth,
in justice and love, as witnesses of your resurrection.
In communion with Mary,
whom you gave to us as our Mother at the foot of
the cross,
through you may all praise, honour and blessing be
to the Father in the Holy Spirit and in the Church,
now and forever. **Amen**

Opening Hymn

Though We Are Many

Though we are many, we are one body,
we who come to share this living bread;
Cup of salvation, shared among all nations,
nourishing us now and evermore.

Opening Rite

Dear friends,

We have gathered here this evening to pray as parish communities and to express our faith in the Eucharist.

Christ has said where two or three are gathered he is present among them. Christ has promised that He will be with us always - to the end of time. Christ has given us the Eucharist that he might always nourish us with his presence.

Ritual

R1: ...We pray together:

**All: Springs of water bless the Lord!
Give him glory and praise forever!**

R2: ...We pray together:

**All: You are the Light of the world,
Anyone who follows you will have the Light of Life.**

R3: ...With the Cross of Christ before us we pray together:

**All: Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have
set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Opening Prayer

God and Father of all
We are gathered here to pray as a community united
by our faith.
We ask that, through the Holy Eucharist,
our faith will be strengthened
and we will find the fullness of life and love.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Liturgy of the Word

*A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John
(17: 1-11)*

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

‘Father, the hour has come:
glorify your Son so that your Son may glorify you;
and, through the power over all mankind that you
have given him,
let him give eternal life to all those you have en-
trusted to him.
And eternal life is this:
to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ
whom you have sent.
I have glorified you on earth
and finished the work that you gave me to do.
Now, Father, it is time for you to glorify me
with that glory I had in you before ever the world
was.
I have made your name known
to the men you took from the world to give me.
They were yours and you gave them to me,
and they have kept your work.
Now at last they know
that all you have given me comes indeed from
you;
for I have given them
the teaching you gave to me,
and they have truly accepted this, that I came
from you,
and have believed that it was you who sent me.
I pray for them;
I am not praying for the world

but for those you have given me,
because they belong to you:
all I have is yours
and all you have is mine,
and in them I am glorified.’

Psalm

Psalm 144

I have called to you, Lord; hasten to help me!
Hear my voice when I cry to you.
Let my prayer come before you like incense,
the raising of my hands like an evening oblation

To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned:
in you I take refuge; spare my soul!
From the trap they have laid for me keep me safe:
keep me from the snares
of those who of those who do evil.

Hymn

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And his righteousness,
And all these things shall be added on to you
Allelu, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and you shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened onto you
Allelu, alleluia. (R)



Talk

"Let us pray" - Opening ourselves in prayer to receive the God's gifts in Word and Sacrament



Breige O'Hare, a native of Omagh, is married and living in Belfast. She worked in the Diocese of Down and Connor for eight years, assisting in the training and formation of adults for family ministry, producing material for use on sacramental preparation in schools and helping to devise and deliver an on-going programme of faith development. She now works as a freelance speaker, writer and spiritual director, facilitating workshops and retreats and producing resources for parishes in Ireland and in the UK. Trained as a spiritual director by the Jesuits, with a Masters in Pastoral Theology from All Hallows College Dublin, Breige's research and published writing on the theme of growth in relationship with God is used internationally to help spiritual directors in their own training and practice.

Her book **"Whole Parish Catechesis: Faith development for the Faint hearted"** and the resources produced regularly through www.catholicireland.net have been well received in by Irish and UK audiences. Breige has published articles in The Sacred Heart Messenger, Reality and Irish News as well as in The Furrow, The Pastoral Review, Spirituality and Presence.



Profession of Faith in the Eucharist

Priest: We profess our faith in the presence of the risen Christ among us in the Eucharist

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We meet You, Lord, in our parish Mass

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We listen to your word

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We join you in praising the Father and in offering the sacrifice.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We lift up our hearts.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We know it is right to give you thanks and praise.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We share in deep and Holy Communion with you.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We journey towards our Father through the bridge of your death and resurrection

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We draw strength from the Mass and fill this world with the spirit of Your Gospel.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Priest: We pray in faith to ask your blessing on ourselves, on those we love, on the Church and on the world.

All: **We believe in the Holy Eucharist**

Final prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
we worship You living among us
in the sacrament of Your body and blood.
May our prayer and commitment
help us journey towards eternal life
may the living out of our baptism,
help the coming of the Kingdom
and may our lives of loving service be a worthy
offering to God.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother and
Lord.

Amen

Conclusion and Final Blessing



Eucharistic Novena Gathering Together

Christ the King Church, Omagh

The Novena Prayers at all weekend Masses

Monday
29 Nov
7:30pm Evening Service
Speaker: Mr Francis Campbell

Tuesday
30 Nov
7:30pm Evening Service
Speaker: Mrs Marie Lindsay

Wednesday
1 Dec
7:30pm Evening Service
Speaker: Mr Richard Moore

Thursday
2 Dec
7:30pm Evening Service
Speaker: Fr Paschal McDonnell

Friday
3 Dec
7:30pm Evening Service
Speaker: Mrs Briege O'Hare

Mass each morning in Saint Mary's Church,
Killyclogher at 7:45am

Closing Hymn

The Servant King

From heaven you came helpless babe,
Entered the world, your glory veiled
Not to be served but to serve,
And give your life that we might live.

This is our God, the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King.

There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will, but yours', he said (R)

So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone Him,
Each other's needs to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving. (R)



The 50th International Eucharistic Congress will be held in the RDS Dublin from 10-17 June 2012 with the closing ceremony taking place in Croke Park on the 17th June 2012. For more information visit www.iec2012.com



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