

EUCHARISTIC NOVENA

Tuesday, 30 November 2010 Christ the King Church, Omagh

Gather us together

Welcome

This evening's Novena will be led by the Parishes of Greencastle and Gortin.

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

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

breaking of bread.

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 Matthew (22:1-10)

Jesus began to speak to them in parables once again. The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants "Tell those who have been invited", he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding".

Psalm

Psalm 85/86

Turn your ear, O Lord, and give answer for I am poor and needy.
Preserve my life, for I am faithful: save the servant who trusts in you.

You are my God, have mercy on me, Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.
Give joy to your servant, O Lord, for to you I lift up my soul.

Show me, Lord, your way so that I may walk in your truth. Guide my heart to fear your name

I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart and glorify your name for ever; for your love to me has been great: you have saved me from the depths of the grave.

Hymn

Cead Mile Failte Romhat

Cead mile failte romhat, a Iosa, a Iosa, Cead mile failte romhat a Iosa Cead mile failte romhat, a Shlanaitheoir Cead mile mile failte romhat, Iosa a Iosa

Talk

"Welcome brothers and sisters" - The Eucharistic Gathering – A Community of Welcome



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munity. She is a member of the Pope John Paul II Committee in the Derry Diocese, proactively helping young people to take an active part in their parish community and facilitating them to grow into a relationship with Christ in the life of the Church. She was educated at Carndonagh Community School and studied Biochemistry at the University of Ulster in Coleraine. She then did a PGCE at St Mary's College Belfast. She is a board member of the European Foundation for Quality Management based in Brussels.



Hymn

Bless the Lord My Soul

Bless the Lord my soul, and Bless His Holy Name. Bless the Lord my soul, He rescues me from death.

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



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)

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 Maris 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





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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