Recessional: Circle of Mercy by Jeannette Goglia rsm (©1991)

In Mercy, we touch the hearts of those who are in misery. In Mercy, we're touched by them and feel their strength and courage. In Mercy, we heal the pain of those who are in sorrow. In Mercy, we're healed by them and see the face of hope.

R: For the Circle of Mercy is timeless, it is Spirit of Life itself which roots us in Faith, and lifts us in Hope and holds us in God's loving care, and holds us in God's loving care.

In Mercy, we welcome those the world has left rejected. In Mercy, we're drawn within the loving heart of God. In Mercy, we forgive the incompleteness in another, In Mercy, our sins are healed and we are whole again. [R]

In Mercy, the Spirit Faith will root us in God's Presence. In Mercy, the Spirit Hope will lift us out of doubt. In Mercy, the love of God will be our joy in living, In Mercy, we join with one another on our journey. [R]

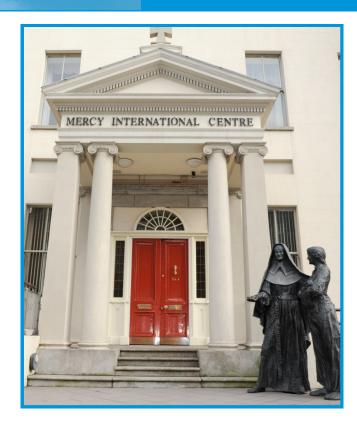


Many Thanks to our Musicians!

Marie Cox rsm, Frances Kennedy rsm Ailish O'Brien rsm & Patricia O'Donovan rsm



20th Anniversary Celebrations



Mercy Day ~ 24 September 2014

Liturgy at St Mary's Church, Haddington Road

Presider: Most Reverend Diarmuid Martin, D.D.

Archbishop of Dublin

Welcome: Mary Reynolds rsm

Mercy International Association

Opening Song: Gather by Liam Lawton (©1996)

 Gather from the East, gather from the West, Gather from the highways too.
 Gather from the North, gather from the South, Gather when the night is noon.

Ref: And we'll gather and we shall reap, and no longer in sadness we'll weep. And we'll gather, and we shall reap, resting, rising, calling, guiding, O Lord.

- Gather all the needy, gather all in pain Gather all who cry in vain.
 Gather all the thirsty, gather all the poor, Gather all in Jesus' name. [R]
- Gather all forgotten, gather all forlorn.
 Gather all who weep and mourn.
 Gather all the silent, gather all who sing,
 Gather all the hearts reborn. [R]

Prayer over the Water:

Blessed Be God

by Carey Landry & Carol Jean Kinghorn (©1991)

Blessed be God.
Blessed be God forever.

Communion:

Come Feast at this Table by Ian Callanan (©2010)

Come feast at this table, God's banquet now is spread. With bread of life and saving cup, Our hunger now is fed.

- I am the bread of life, come down from heav'n, come down to bring life.
 All who eat this bread, will never hunger again. [R]
- I am the wine of hope, poured out for you, for life renewed.
 All who drink this cup, will never thirst again. [R]
- I am the resurrection,
 the life for all who follow my way.
 All who believe in me, will never die but live. [R]

Communion Meditation: Suscipe of Catherine McAuley by Catherine Teresa Martin (©1997)

My God I am yours for time and eternity, Lord I am yours forever. It is you who must teach me to trust in your Providence, Loving Lord.

- You are a God of love and tenderness, I place my faith in you. And I ask that you grant me acceptance of your will, Loving Lord. [R]
- 2. Take from my heart all painful anxiety, let nothing sadden me but sin, and let my delight be hoping to see your face, God my all. [R]

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Pilgrim by Moira Bergen rsm (instrumental)



Sanctus: by Liam Lawton (Glendalough Mass, ©2010)

Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation: Save Us. Saviour of the World

by Liam Lawton (Glendalough Mass, ©2010)

Save us, Saviour of the world. Save us, Saviour of the world. For by your Cross and Resurrection You have set us free,

You have set us free.

Great Amen: by Liam Lawton (Cloud's Veil, ©1999)
Lamb of God: by Liam Lawton (Cloud's Veil, ©1999)

Water Ritual:

Come to the Water by John Foley (©1978)

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without price.

Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without strife.

Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water. And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord: all who labor, without rest.

How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water, Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord: bring the children without might.

Easy the load and light: come to the Lord.



Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Philippians 4:4-9

Responsorial Psalm: Like a Shepherd

by Bob Dufford SJ (©1976)

Ref: Like a Shepherd He feeds His flock and gathers the lambs in His arms.
Holding them carefully close to His heart, leading them home.

- Say to the cities of Judah,
 "Prepare the way of the Lord!
 Go to the mountaintop! Lift your voice!
 Jerusalem, here is your God!" [R]
- "I Myself will shepherd them for others have lead them astray. The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them giving them rest." [R]
- 3. "Come unto Me if you are heavily burdened And take My yoke upon your shoulders. I will give you rest." [R]

Second Reading:

Retreat Instructions of Catherine McAuley



Gospel Acclamation: Pilgrim Song by Liam Lawton (©2000)

Alle, Allelu, Alleluia (x4) Speak, O Lord your servant here is listening. You have the message of eternal life. (x2) Alle, Allelu, Alleluia (x4)

Gospel: Matthew 22:35-40

Prayers of the Faithful:

Let us Pray Well by Catherine Teresa Martin rsm (©2009)
Let us pray well and never grow weary,
let us pray well and never grow tired. (x2)
Always pray well, never grow weary.
Always pray well, never grow tired.