

GOSPEL

(Lk 5:1-11)
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Genesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' Master, Simon replied, 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made, so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid: from now on it is men you will catch. Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him. The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)
I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, / maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible and invisible. / I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of the Father before all ages. / God from God, / Light from Light, / true God from true God, / begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; / through him all things were made. / For us men and for our salvation / he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, / and became man. / For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he suffered death and was buried, / and rose again on the third day / in accordance with the Scriptures. / He ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father. / He will come again in glory / to judge the living and the dead / and his kingdom will have no end. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, / who proceeds from the Father and the Son, / who with the Father and the

Son is adored and glorified, / who has spoken through the prophets. / I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The priest introduces the Prayer of the Faithful.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), ...
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Eucharistic Prayer
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

Sanctus
Holy, Holy, Holy 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.

After the Consecration
The mystery of faith.
Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

THE COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command ...
Our Father, who art in heaven, ...

Ar nAthair atá ar neamh,
go naofar d'ainm,
go dtaga do riocht,
go ndéantar do thoil ar an talamh,
mar a dhéantar ar neamh.
Ar n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu,
agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha,
mar a mhaithimid na dár bhféichiúna féin,
agus ná lig sinn i gcathú,
ach saor sinn ó óc. Amen.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray ...
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Lord Jesus Christ, ... Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins ...

Showing the Eucharist to the people, the priest says:
Behold the Lamb of God, ...
Lord, I am not worthy ...

Communion Antiphon (Cf. Mt 8:11)
Many will come from east and west and sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob at the feast in the kingdom of heaven, says the Lord.

The People's Mass

17 March 2025
ST PATRICK,
The Principal Patron of Ireland & C.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon (Gn 12:1-2)
Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

In the name of the Father, ... **Amen.**
The grace of our Lord ... **And with your spirit.**

Penitential Act
Brethren (brothers and sisters), ...
A brief pause for silence follows.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do.

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... **Amen.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria
Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory. / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer: / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Am 7:12-15)
A reading from the prophet Amos.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets', Amos replied

to Amaziah. 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores; but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 138:1-3,7-10,13-14)

1 If I dwell at the sea's furthest end even there you watch over me.

- O Lord, you search me and you know me, you know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar. You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you.
- O where can I go from your spirit, or where can I flee from your face? If I climb the heavens, you are there. If I lie in the grave, you are there.
- For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank you for the wonders of my being, for the wonders of all your creation.

SECOND READING (1 Thess 2:2-8)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

It was our God who gave us the courage to proclaim his Good News to you in the face of great opposition. We have not taken to preaching because we are deluded, or immoral, or trying to deceive anyone: it was God who decided that we were fit to be entrusted with the Good News, and when we are speaking, we are not trying to please men but God, who can read our inmost thoughts. You know very well, and we can swear it before God, that never at any time have our speeches been simply flattery, or a cover for trying to get money; nor have we ever looked for any special honour from men, either from you or anybody else, when we could have imposed ourselves on you with full weight, as apostles of Christ.

Instead, we were unassuming. Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Lk 4:18)

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! The Lord has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! *(cont on back page)*

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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A Prayer for our Emigrants
Bless all those who have left our country and now live in other lands. Give them a strong faith so that they will always put their trust in you and make you known by the example of their lives. Console those who are lonely because they are separated from those they love. Help all missionaries who are working far from home to make your love known. Bless our people overseas who are sick

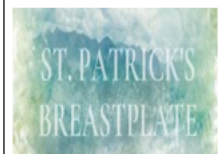
or in prison. We pray for foreigners living in our country that they may experience our hospitality. Grant your eternal welcome to our emigrants who have died and to all the dead. Amen

A Prayer of Saint Patrick

The Prayer of St Patrick for his people

- May the Strength of God guide us
 - May the Power of God preserve us
 - May the Wisdom of God instruct us
 - May the Hand of God protect us
 - May the Way of God direct us
 - May the Shield of God defend us
 - May the Angels of God guard us
 - Against the snares of the evil one
 - May Christ be with us
 - May Christ be before us
 - May Christ be in us
 - Christ be over all
 - May your Grace, Lord Always be ours
 - This day, O Lord, and forevermore.
 - Amen
- A prayer for our Irish Emigrants**
Lord, some may know the bleakness of life,

Its capacity to disappoint
The waning of energy or health.
Yet they have a place in the soul which time cannot touch,
A wisdom and beauty from lives deeply inhabited.
May all of them know the warmth of their soul,
The natural shelter around their lives.
In dignity and freedom,
May they return home to themselves. Amen



St. Patrick's Breastplate
A Prayer written by St. Patrick for Protection
Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,

Christ when I arise.
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me.
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me.
Christ in every eye that sees me.
Christ in every ear that hears me.
I arise today through a mighty strength.



We wish everyone at home and abroad a happy St. Patrick's Day.

