



# EUCCHARISTIC NOVENA

Monday, 29 November 2010

Christ the King Church, Omagh

## Gather us together

### Welcome

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

### 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  
Matthew (11:25-28)*

At that time Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things  
from the learned and the clever and revealing them  
to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it  
pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to  
me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except  
the Father, just as no one knows the Father except  
the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to re-  
veal him'.

## Psalm

*Psalm 8*

How great is your name, O Lord our God,  
through all the earth!

Your majesty is praised above the heavens;  
on the lips of children and of babes  
you have found praise to foil your enemy,  
to silence the foe and the rebel.

When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,  
the moon and the stars which you arranged,  
what is man that you should keep him in mind,  
mortal man that you care for him?

Yet you have made him little less than a god;  
with glory and honour you crowned him,  
gave him power over the works of your hand,  
put all things under his feet.

## Hymn

*Christ Be Beside Me*

Christ, be beside me, Christ, be before me,  
Christ, be behind me, King of my heart,  
Christ, be within me, Christ, be below me,  
Christ, be above me, never to part.

Christ, on my right hand, Christ, on my left hand,  
Christ, all around me, shield in the strife,  
Christ, in my sleeping, Christ, in my sitting,  
Christ, in my rising, light of my life.

Christ, be in all hearts thinking about me,  
Christ, be in all tongues telling of me,  
Christ, be the vision in eyes that see me,  
in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

## Talk

*"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the  
Holy Spirit" - Our life of faith in the world of everyday*



Francis Campbell, is a native of Rathfriland, County Down. In 2005 he made history by becoming the first Catholic to be appointed Ambassador to the Vatican. At just thirty-five he was the youngest of all Britain's ambassadors.

Earlier this year, the BBC televised a 3-part documentary entitled 'Our Man in the Vatican' which focused on a year in the life of Ambassador Campbell. Francis



played a central role in the recent visit of Pope Benedict to Britain. Before pursuing a diplomatic career, he studied for the priesthood at St Malachy's College, Belfast, and Queen's University, Belfast. He then studied at the Catholic University of Leuven in Belgium. With a special interest in the relationship between faith and culture and inter-faith relations, Francis has won widespread respect for his thoughtful and reflective insights. He studied Political Science and Scholastic Philosophy at Queen's University and European Integration at the Catholic University of Leuven and International Relations at the University of Pennsylvania. Before his appointment as Ambassador to the Holy See, Francis was Private Secretary and Policy Advisor to Prime Minister Tony Blair from 1998 - 2001. He was First Secretary at the British Embassy in Rome from 2001 – 2003. Early in his diplomatic career he held postings to the European Enlargement Unit of the Foreign Office and was on the European Commission Delegation to New York during the British Presidency of the European Union.

He is soon to take up his new post as Deputy High Commissioner to Pakistan.



## Hymn

*Be Still and Know*

Be still and know, that I am God,  
Be still and know, that I am God,  
Be still and know, that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee,  
I am the Lord that healeth thee,  
I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee O Lord, I put my trust,  
In thee O Lord, I put my trust,  
In thee O Lord, I put my trust.

## 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

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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](http://www.iec2012.com)



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