



EUCCHARISTIC NOVENA

Thursday, 2 December 2010

Christ the King Church, Omagh

Gather us together

Welcome

This evening's Novena will be led by the Parishes of Castlederg, Drumquin and Newtownstewart.

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 Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
(3:14-20)*

This, then, is what I pray, kneeling before the Father,
from whom every family, whether spiritual or natu-
ral, takes its name: Out of his infinite glory, may he
give you the power through his Spirit for your hidden
self to grow strong, so that Christ may live in your
hearts through faith, and, then, planted in love and
built on love, you will with all the saints have
strength to grasp the breadth and the length the
height and the depth; until, knowing the love of
Christ, which is beyond all knowledge, you are filled
with the utter fullness of God.

Glory be to him whose power, working in us, can do
infinitely more than we can ask or imagine; glory be
to him from generation to generation in the Church
and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 144

I will give you glory, O God my King.
I will bless your name for ever.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured.

Age to age shall proclaim your works,
shall declare your mighty deed,
shall speak of your splendour and glory,
tell the tale of your wonderful works.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

Hymn

Father We Adore You

Father we adore you,
lay our lives before you,
How we love You.

Jesus, we adore you.
Lay our lives before you,
how we love you.

Spirit, we adore you,
lay our lives before you,
how we love you.

Talk

"Gloria to God in the Highest" - Raising our hearts in
prayer and worship – Knowing that my life is not
about me.



Father Paschal, a native of Strabane, is a Franciscan Friar based in Rossnowlagh, County Donegal and is engaged in the ministry of healing and reconciliation. He studied and worked at home and abroad, focusing mostly in the area of healing and recovery from the various addictions.

He worked in The Rutland Centre in Dublin, helping individuals and their families who struggle with a range of addictions including alcohol, gambling, food and drug. He also ministers in the field of spiritual direction, counselling and giving retreats and workshops with diocesan and other groups.



Hymn

Give Me Joy in My Heart

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
Give me joy in my heart I pray,
Give me joy in my heart keep me praising,
Keep me praising till the end of day,

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the
King of Kings,
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna, to the
King.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart I pray,
Give me love in my heart keep me serving,
Keep me serving till the end of day. (R)



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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