

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cash for Clothing The schools annual textile recycling day will take place on Thursday 27th February. Items accepted: Rewearable Clothing, Paired Shoes, Handbags, Belts, Soft toys, Curtains, towels and bed linen.

They will not accept: • Pillows or Duvets • Floor mats, Rugs, Fabrics or Cut-off Materials. Please drop off your items in bags to the school on Wednesday 26th or by 9am on Thursday 27th February.

Pancake Party Sunday 2nd March. United service in Holy Trinity at 11am, with the pancake party immediately after at the Rectory. Raffle, Country Produce and Cakes available to purchase. All proceeds will go towards St. Michaels in Ranchi. Donations welcome for the raffle prizes and for the cake stall on the day.

Childrens' Church Nohoval Childrens church will next meet on Sunday 9th March during the service.

Crosshaven Community Choir Concert 22nd March in Colaiste Muire Crosshaven 7pm. The Frank and Walters, Paddy Casey, Lisa Lambe & Steve Cooney, The Oars. All directed by Dr. Eva McMullan. Tickets €50 available at Centra Crosshaven and on Eventbrite. All proceeds go to Colaiste Muire Realt na Mara, Crosshaven.

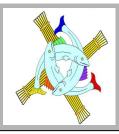
**Lent** It is traditional during Lent to devote some time to study and "extra devotion". This dates back to the time when Lent was the period for preparation for baptism in the early Church. This year marks the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea when the process which resulted in the formulation of the Nicene Creed (the creed we say at the Eucharist) began. To mark that we will hold a series of four evenings reflecting on the Creed - these will take place on Monday 10 March, Monday 24 March, Monday 31 March and Monday 7 April at the Rectory, 7.30 - 9.00 p.m. There will also be a weekly midweek Eucharist on Tuesday mornings at 10.00 a.m. at Holy Trinity, Crosshaven. I am hoping to find a time for a similar mid-week service in Nohoval during Lent - details to follow.

Vestry Meetings Next meeting of the Select Vestries are on Thursday 20th March in Nohoval Church 8pm and Wednesday 26th March in Holy Trinity at 8pm.

Wobblers and Toddlers Wobblers and Toddlers will meet again in the Rectory every Friday from 10am to 12 noon during the school term.

Confirmation This years Confirmation service will take place on Sunday afternoon, 18th May at St Peter's Bandon at 3.30pm.

> If you would like something to be announced on this sheet, please contact the Parish Office before 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, thank you. Telephone: 021 4831236 E-mail: parishoffice@templebreedy.onmicrosoft.com



# **Sunday 23rd February 2025** Welcome to Holy Trinity Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

08.30am Service of Holy Communion 11.30a.m. Service of Morning Prayer

#### **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**









For our services you may need:

- this announcement / readings sheet
- a copy of the Book of Common Prayer (except when a service sheet is provided by the Wardens)
- a copy of the Church Hymnal

There are activity sheets at the back of the church for our younger worshippers. These include a take home sheet for completion during the week.

If you would like someone prayed for during the service today please put their name on the Prayer Sheet in the aisle.

Large Print Copies of all texts used in the service are available. Please ask a Churchwarden.

If you are visiting us, or are with us for the first time, we would be delighted to meet you after church today and if you would like a pastoral visit please complete your name and contact details and give this sheet to one of the Churchwardens on your way out.

Name:	Contact Details:	

#### Next Sunday: 2nd March 2025 - The Sunday before Lent

08.30a.m. Service of Holy Communion Holy Trinity -

10.00 a.m. Nohoval Service of Holy Communion

11.30 a.m. Holy Trinity -Service of Holy Communion

Pastoral matters should be directed to the Rector

Rev. James Power - 021 4831236 or 085 2514242

Churchwardens: Della MacSweeney & David Chambers

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#### COLLECT

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

#### FIRST READING Genesis 2.4b–9

A reading from the book of Genesis.

4 In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,  $^5$  when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up – for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground;  $^6$  but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground –  $^7$  then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.  $^8$  And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed.  $^9$  Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Psalm 65

### SECOND READING Revelation 4

A reading from the book of Revelation.

1 After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' <sup>2</sup> At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! <sup>3</sup> And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. <sup>4</sup> Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. <sup>5</sup> Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; <sup>6</sup> and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: <sup>7</sup> the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. <sup>8</sup> And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around

and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' <sup>9</sup> And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, <sup>11</sup> 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

GOSPEL Luke 8.22–25

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

22 One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, <sup>23</sup> and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. <sup>24</sup>They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. <sup>25</sup>He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

<sup>26</sup> Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn\* no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'— <sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus\* to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.