

Zion Parish Notices

Thursday, 16th March 2017

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Confirmation 2017

Congratulations to Marcus Empey, Leo Simpson, Zach Baird and Conleth Law who were Confirmed on Sunday March 5th at Zion Church. Please keep them in your prayers so that they know the Holy Spirit will confirm, strengthen and guide them in their everyday lives and especially in times of need.

Compline - 8.00pm in the Chapel of Memory on Thursday evenings during Lent
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Services



Sunday 19th March

In recent years, Zion parish choir has revived a custom that used to be widespread throughout the Church of Ireland on the Sunday closest to St. Patrick's Day: the singing of the *Breastplate of St. Patrick*, a translation of a medieval poem that was set to music by Thomas Richard Gonsalvez Jozé, who was a prominent Dublin church musician at the end of the 19th century.

Our Choir will sing this work during Matins, at 10.30a.m. next Sunday, 19th March.

Wednesday, 22nd March
Holy Communion 10.30am

Thursday, 23rd March - Compline 8.00pm

Sunday, 26th March – Mothering Sunday
9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion and Sunday Club

Wednesday, 29th March
10.30am Holy Communion

Thursday, 30th March – Compline 8.00pm

I bind unto myself today, The strong Name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same, The Three in One and One in Three.

I bind this today to me forever
By power of faith, Christ's incarnation;
His baptism in Jordan river,
His death on Cross for my salvation;
His bursting from the spiced tomb,
His riding up the heavenly way,
His coming at the day of doom
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power
Of the great love of cherubim;
The sweet 'Well done' in judgment hour,
The service of the seraphim,
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,
The Patriarchs' prayers, the prophets' scrolls,
All good deeds done unto the Lord
And purity of virgin souls.

I bind unto myself today
The virtues of the star lit heaven,
The glorious sun's life giving ray,
The whiteness of the moon at even,
The flashing of the lightning free,
The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
The stable earth, the deep salt sea
Around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today
The power of God to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, His might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need.
The wisdom of my God to teach,
His hand to guide, His shield to ward;
The word of God to give me speech,
His heavenly host to be my guard.

Against the demon snares of sin,
The vice that gives temptation force,
The natural lusts that war within,
The hostile men that mar my course;
Or few or many, far or nigh,
In every place and in all hours,
Against their fierce hostility
I bind to me these holy powers.

Against all Satan's spells and wiles,
Against false words of heresy,
Against the knowledge that defiles,
Against the heart's idolatry,
Against the wizard's evil craft,
Against the death wound and the burning,
The choking wave, the poisoned shaft,
Protect me, Christ, till Thy returning.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the Name,
The strong Name of the Trinity,
By invocation of the same,
The Three in One and One in Three.
By Whom all nature hath creation,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,
Salvation is of Christ the Lord.

*This prayer is part of
the Liber Hymnorum
found in two
manuscripts and
later published
in the Thesaurus
Paleohibernicus
wherein it is called
'A Deer's Cry'.*

*'Patrick sang this
song when the
ambushes were laid
for him by Leogaire,
in order that he
should not go to
Tara to sow the
faith, and then it
appeared before
those lying in
ambush that they
[Patrick and his
monks] were wild
deer with a fawn
following them'.*

Ref. T.P. 1903



Sale Notes

Raffle Tickets

Please return Raffle ticket stubs (with money) to the Parish Office or to any member of the sale organizing committee no later than Sunday, 26th March. We are happy to take books of unused tickets too.

Cake Baking Service

Did you know that you can have professional-standard cakes made to order and also help the Parish Sale? Pick up a flyer about the Cake Stall custom-baking service at the back of the church for all information regarding ordering your special cake, tray bake or selection of cup cakes.

Mother's Day gifts

On Sunday, 26th March there will be a pop-up Deli stall in the Parish Hall after the main service.

If you want to buy a Mother's Day gift please come to us on the day itself and help support the parish sale ahead of the rush.

You will be able to buy home made preserves and salad oils, gourmet chocolates, pate and relish and many other handcrafted treats gift packaged and ready for you to take home.

The Final Sale Meeting

The last meeting before the 2017 Parish Sale takes place on Monday next, 20th March at 8.00pm in the Parish Hall meeting room. Please be there if you have anything to do with the sale, if you are a volunteer, a stall manager, anyone who might give an hour of their time between 10.00-1.30pm on Sale day, April 1st

Thank you.