

St Killian

*Bishop and martyr, Kilmore diocese, 689
8th July*

The Gathering of God's People

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

SENTENCE

My soul's desire is to see the face of God, and to rest in his house.

St Columba

INTRODUCTION

Killian from Cavan was a missionary to Franconia and rebuilt the church in Baden and Bavaria. Many pre-Reformation cathedrals in Germany and Austria were dedicated in honour of Killian, pre- eminent among them being that at Würzburg, where with two companions he was murdered in 689.

OPENING PRAYER

Father, your love for us
surpasses all our hopes and desires.
Forgive our failings,
keep us in your peace
and lead us in the way of salvation. **Amen.**

PENITENCE

Lord Jesus,
you call by name those who are yours:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus,
you lead us in the right paths for your name's sake:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

Lord Jesus,
you are the door of the sheepfold;
those who enter by you will be saved:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
Grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 49: 8-10

Thus says the Lord: In a time of favour I have answered you, in a day of salvation I have helped you; I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages; saying to the prisoners, "Come forth", to those who are in darkness, "Appear". They shall feed along the ways, on all bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching winds nor sun shall smite them, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation**

Make me to know your ways,
O Lord, and teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.
Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting. *℟*

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.
Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way. *℟*

He will guide the humble in doing right
and teach his way to the lowly.
All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. *℟*

THE SECOND READING
2 Cor 1: 3-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too. If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

Whoever would become my followers,
let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Alleluia! *John 15:16*

THE GOSPEL READING

John 21: 15-17

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ,
according to St. John, chapter 21, beginning at verse 15.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, Simon, son of John do you love me? He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Prayers of the People

We pray for links with the church in Germany. We pray for the development of the European Union in the interests of all its member.

God, you called missionaries from Ireland with St Killian
to take the message of the gospel to Franconia and Bavaria.
Grant that the church may draw strength from their example,
and never lack zeal to proclaim your love
when the going is difficult:
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE

Peace be to you, and peace to your house,
and peace to all who are yours. *1 Samuel 25: 6*

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Shepherd of Israel, your flock is never without care.
Accept our sacrifice of praise
and grant that your Church may always rejoice
in faithful pastors, servants of Christ
and stewards of your mysteries.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

The priest takes the bread and cup

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us
therefore let us celebrate the feast.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 1 with Extended Preface

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good,
our duty and salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
and to praise the wonder of your work
revealed in the lives of Killian and his companions
and all your holy martyrs.

Before the foundation of the universe
you chose them in Christ as your witnesses,
to glorify your name
and reveal before the world the light of your truth.
By the Holy Spirit you gave them great courage
so that in the very weakness of this mortal body
they might conquer death and overcome its power.

And so we join with them and all the powers of heaven
to glorify your holy name
in this their joyful hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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.**

Blessed are you, Father,
the creator and sustainer of all things;
you made us in your own image,
male and female you created us;
even when we turned away from you,
you never ceased to care for us,
but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin,
giving your only begotten Son to become man
and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;
he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world:
he instituted,
and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,
a perpetual memory of his precious death
until he comes again.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,
and gave it to his Disciples, saying,
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper he took the cup;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you,
for this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we do as Christ your Son commanded:

**we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit
that we may be made one in your holy Church
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,
that he may dwell in us and we in him;

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, so we pray

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen.

or

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

They recognized the Lord, Alleluia;
in the breaking of the loaf, Alleluia;

For the loaf that we break is the body
of our Lord Jesus Christ, Alleluia;
The cup which we bless is the blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ, Alleluia
for the remission of our sins. Alleluia;

O Lord, let your mercy come upon us, Alleluia;
in you O Lord have I put my trust. Alleluia.

They recognized the Lord, Alleluia;
in the breaking of the loaf, Alleluia.

Lk 24:35 1 Cor 10:16-17; Mt 26:28 Ps 31:1 Stowe (9th c)

AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

or

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God,
who has taken away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

THE COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**
The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

THE GREAT SILENCE

Going out as God's People

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God,
who gave us this holy meal
in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross
and the victory of your martyr St Killian:
by our communion with Christ
in his saving death and resurrection,
give us with all your saints the courage to conquer evil
and so to share the fruit of the tree of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

DISMISSAL
The Blessing

God give you grace to follow his saints
in faith and love and steadfastness
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.