

**EXALTATION
OF
THE HOLY CROSS**

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Orlagh in the City

September 14th 2025



Muiredach's High Cross- Monasterboice

Welcome & Stilling Exercise

Hymn *Psalm 62*

Only in God, John Michael Talbot

[Psalm 62 \(Only In God\)](#)

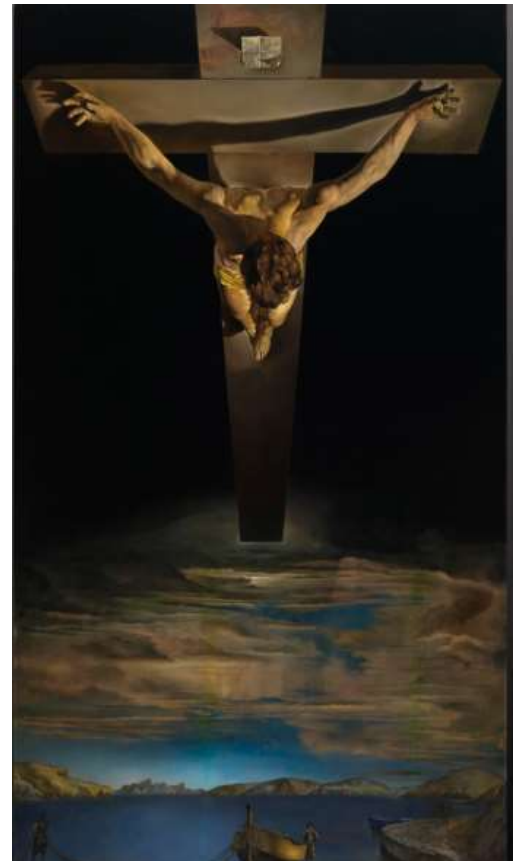
Only in God is my soul at rest
In Him comes my salvation
He only is my Rock
My strength and my salvation

My stronghold my Saviour
I shall not be afraid at all
My stronghold my Saviour
I shall not be moved

Only in God is found safety
When the enemy pursues me
Only in God is found glory
When I am found meek and found lowly

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Penitential - Gloria - Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Numbers 21:4-9*

If anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked up at the bronze serpent and lived

On the way through the wilderness the people lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, ‘*Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.*’

At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, ‘*We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.*’



Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, ‘*Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.*’ So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144: 2-3,10-13 R/v 9

Response

How good is the Lord to all.

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

Response

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your

friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign and

declare your might, O God. ***Response***

To make known to men your mighty deeds and

the glorious splendour of your reign.

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age

Response

Second Reading *Philippians 2:6-11*

Christ humbled himself but God raised him high

His state was divine,

yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

We adore you,

O Christ and we bless you;

Because by your cross

You have redeemed the world.

Alleluia!



Clonmacnoise

Gospel *John 3:13-17*

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved

Jesus said to Nicodemus: ‘No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven; and the Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.’

Quiet Prayer

Lectio Divina: Share how the Word speaks to your life. Not a Bible Study or a discussion.

Prayers of the Faithful

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Communion Hymn

[Make me a channel of your peace](#)" by Sinead O Connor

[Gabriel's Oboe](#) by Ennio Morricone

Prayer for the road ahead!

There's wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in His justice
which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Saviour;
there is healing in His blood.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple,
we would take Him at His word,
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our Lord.

Frederick William Faber

Bernadette - News

Recessional Hymn:

[Freely Freely](#) Aaron & Esther

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name
I've been born again in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His love as He told me to

*He said: 'Freely, freely, you have received
Freely, freely give
Go in My name, and because you believe
Others will know that I live.'*



Skellig Michael

All power is given in Jesus' name
In earth and heaven in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share His power as He told me to.

Refrain