



## November Liturgy

*These resources could be used to build a Liturgy of the Word or a Liturgy of the Eucharist.*

A group of students welcome the class/school community at the door and invite each student to sign the 'Book of Remembrance'. Each student is given an unlit candle as they arrive.

The Paschal Candle is lit.

**Entrance Song:**  
*Ag Críost an Síol*

**Penitential Rite:**

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**Leader:** You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord have mercy.

**All:** Lord have mercy.

**Leader:** You came to call sinners: Christ have mercy.

**All:** Christ have mercy.

**Leader:** You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord have mercy.

**All:** Lord have mercy.

**Liturgy of the Word:**

*First Reading: Book of Isaiah (25:6-9)*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: 'See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.'  
The word of the Lord.

**Psalm:** The Lord Hear the Cry of the Poor (Liam Lawton)

*Second Reading: The letter of St Paul to the Romans (8:31-35, 37-39)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

With God on our side, who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Nothing therefore can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord.



## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia (Liam Lawton, *Mass of Glendalough* from *Sing the Mass*)

v. It is my Father's will, says the Lord, that whoever believes in the Son shall have eternal life, and that I shall raise him up on the last day.

*Gospel Reading: Gospel of John (14:1-6)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



## Prayer of the Faithful

Brothers and sisters, as we now make our prayer for the community and for the world, let us all pray to Christ the Lord, not only for ourselves and our own needs, but for the entire people:

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Bishop \_\_\_\_\_, members of the clergy and for all the Christian community. Inspired by the work of the Holy Spirit, may they continue to guide and strengthen the Church.  
Lord hear us.
2. We pray for the Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_. May their work continue to inspire us to live by the values of our founder/foundress \_\_\_\_\_.  
Lord hear us.
3. We pray for our school community. May we always act in a way that has grown out of faith, hope and love.  
Lord hear us.
4. We pray for our parents and grandparents. May their love and guidance continue to strengthen us, comfort us and inspire us.  
Lord hear us.
5. We pray for loved ones that have passed away. (*Pause.*) May they find eternal peace and happiness in the presence of God.  
Lord hear us.
6. We pray for friendship. May we all continue to love and support one another as we journey together.  
Lord hear us.



**Priest:** O God, our refuge and our strength, hear the prayers of your Church, for you yourself are the source of all devotion, and grant, we pray, that what we ask in faith we may truly obtain. Through Christ our Lord.

## Reflection:

Students are invited to come forward and light their candle from the Paschal Candle. Perhaps a small number of prefects would light their candle first and the rest of the students will light their candles from the prefects. The candles are then placed in the shape of a cross on either the floor or on a number of desks.





## More suggested music:

1. I Will Bless Your Name Forever (Helen Walsh)
2. Deep and Lasting Peace (Michael Joncas)
3. Our Hearts are Restless O God (Ephrem Feeley)
4. In Silence and Peace (Liam Lawton)
5. In Christ Alone (Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend, from *Feasts and Season 2*)
6. O God You Search Me (Bernadette Farrell)
7. The Lord is My Light (Christopher Walker)
8. Jesus Remember Me (Taizé)
9. Mass settings – *Sing the Mass*
10. Irish Mass settings – *Canamis*