THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDSMAIDS

The Hills of New Zeland - Celtri

THE ENTRY OF THE BRIDE

I Giorni - Jonathan Haslett

GATHERING PRAYER

First Reading
Read by Liam McBurney

A Reading from the Book of Sirach

A loving partner is a safe shelter, whoever finds one has found a rare treasure. A loving partner is something beyond price, there is no measuring their worth. A loving partner is a life-saving remedy, and those who respect their Lord find true love. For as a person is, so is their loved one.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Music

Mo Ghile Mear - Celtri

Second Reading
Read by Oonagh Fitzpatrick

A Reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and it is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Homily

Rite of Marriage

Prayers of the Faithful

Ryan Owens - We pray for Aoibhin and Gavin as they begin their married life together, that the lord who has brought them to this happy day will bless their home with health, happiness and laughter. May their future together be filled with all the joys that married life can bring.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

John Vernon - By this marriage, two families have been united. May both families continue to be a source of love, support and guidance to Aoibhin and Gavin throughout their marriage. Let us thank God for the gift of family love and ask him to watch over and guide all of us through the challenges and celebrations of life.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Anna Marshall - We pray for Gavin and Aoibhin parents and families, their sisters, and brothers, extended families and friends, who have encouraged and supported them all of their lives. May their example continue to guide them as they begin their new life together.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Megan O'Doherty - For health care workers, doctors, nurses, caregivers and all who tend to the sick, may their compassionate service be a reflection of Christ's love, and may the find strength and protection in their demanding and selfless roles.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Christine Haslett - We pray for those we love who are no longer with us. We remember the smiles and laughter of all of our loved ones, particularly Granda McKenna, David, Granda McBurney, Granny and Granda Vernon, Nanny and Granda Fitzpatrick. May the cherish memories of the times that we shared, bring comfort to us always, and may they be present with us today. We thank God for the happy memories that they have left with us.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Nialla Doherty - Heavenly Father, we pray for the many people whose lives have been torn apart by conflict. We pray especially those who have died, those who are grieving, the injured and those now without food, shelter or medical supplies. Strengthen and support the work of all relief organisations. We pray also for those who have the power to bring peace. May they be touched by a spirit of compassion and kindness.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Our Father

Music

Elanor Plunkett - Celtri

Reflection

Read by Ciarna Cregan

May love and laughter light your days and warm your heart and home May good and faithful friends be yours wherever you may roam May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours

Final prayer

Signing of the register

Caledonia – Ciarán McKenna and Jonathan Haslett

Leaving music

Blackbird - Celtri