

James's Street Parish

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3rd Sunday Advent – 15 December 2024

FIACH MORIARTY — 'LIBERTIES'



Liberties is a concept album about Fiach's great-granduncle

Jack Kavanagh from Francis Street in Dublin's Liberties. Fiach explains, 'Like many men from the Liberties area of Dublin, Jack joined the Royal Dublin Fusiliers and fought in World War I. While there are specifics about Jack in the

album, I see him as a Liberties everyman, representing the men of that area at that time that followed the same path to fight in an Imperial War during a time of great economic hardship.' 'Jack Kavanagh was a bit of an enigma in our family,'

Fiach continues. 'My grandmother often told me about him but my mother and her siblings had never heard of him. During Covid I signed up to Ancestry.com and discovered all about Jack through his army records. I pieced this together with stories my grandmother had told me about him. I wrote the album chronologically as I wanted to try to accurately track his life from the Liberties to Gallipoli. I included as much information about Dublin at that time to paint a picture of what it was like for a young man in Dublin in those turbulent times.'

'I'm for Gallipoli' features Damien Dempsey on vocals representing Paddy Kavanagh, Fiach's great-grandfather. The vocals were recorded in John Reynolds' home studio in Enniskerry using the same microphone Sinéad O'Connor used for her iconic track 'Nothing Compares 2 U'.

Born into a musical family, Fiach Moriarty began playing the violin at the age of five, teaching himself guitar when he was twelve, and then began writing songs. When he turned eighteen, Fiach attended Ballyfermot College in order to hone his craft, catching the attention of Chris White (Zombies) who was a guest at the college. Fiach first came onto the Irish music scene back in 2010 with his debut album *So I*, which RTÉ One made their Album of the Week. The album resulted in invitations to collaborate with Paul Brady and Eddi Reader, tours with Mary Black and Ray Davies of The Kinks, a deal with an LA publisher and tours in USA and Australia.

This was followed by Fiach's second album, *The Revolution*, in 2015, which led to features on BBC, two appearances with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra and tours of Ireland, France, Germany, UK and Switzerland.

In addition to his exceptional musical skills, Fiach is a passionate Irish language speaker, and in 2017 was a host and musician for *Jingle Jangle*, a six-part Virgin Media musical travel show which broadcast on TV3, alongside Fiachna Ó Braonáin from Hothouse Flowers and Jim Lockhart of Horslips. Fiach has recorded and performed with Harry Connick Jr., Marti Pellow (*Wet Wet Wet*), Mundy, Christy Dignam, Damien Dempsey, Una Healy, Brian Kennedy, John Sheahan of The Dubliners, Paddy Moloney of The Chieftains, Declan O'Rourke, Duke Special, Mary Coughlan, David Geraghty (Bell X1), Wallis Bird and for a time also joined the Grammy-nominated Beoga as a band member, performing on *Other Voices* and touring internationally.

These days, Fiach writes and plays guitar with the trad-fusion group ALDOC and most recently joined the seminal Irish band Horslips as guitarist and lead singer.

Remembered this Weekend

We remember all belong to us as well as those who have died through violence, hunger & war.



Pope Meets ResQ

Almost 31,000 migrants have gone missing whilst attempting to cross the Mediterranean since 2014. Last year alone, over 3,000 people were confirmed to have died making the crossing. ResQ People Saving People was founded to protect the lives and rights of people in danger in the Mediterranean. On December 11, Pope Francis met with ResQ and praised the "worthy work" they do for migrants traveling the Mediterranean and Balkan routes. ResQ's work includes rescuing people in sinking makeshift boats and offering support to migrants arriving in Europe after difficult journeys. Francis said, It "is most welcome" when people "who do not limit themselves to observing from a distance" but rather get involved. Pope Francis then reiterated what has been one of the main themes of his pontificate: "Migrants must be welcomed, accompanied, promoted, and integrated." The Pope lamented that not everyone has this conviction and "many lives are exploited, rejected, abused, or reduced to slavery."



Crosscare Appeal

Crosscare, the social care agency of the Archdiocese, is once again asking for support for their Christmas Food Poverty Appeal. So far this year, almost 3,000 people, including 1500 children, have needed basic food supplies and support; over a quarter of those coming to Crosscare's Food Poverty Service accessing food support are parenting alone. You can donate online at www.crosscare.ie, call 01 8360011, or send a cheque or postal order to Crosscare Christmas Appeal, 2 Saint Mary's Place North, D07 Y768.

The Mass

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C

15th December 2024

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

PENITENTIAL ACT (3)

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

Priest: You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: You are seated at the right hand of the

Father to intercede for us:

Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT

O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray,

to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always

with solemn worship and glad rejoicing.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.



FIRST READING

Zephaniah 3: 14-18

A reading from the prophet Zephaniah:

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!

Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem!

The Lord has repealed your sentence;

he has driven your enemies away.

The Lord, the King of Israel, is in your midst;

you have no more evil to fear.

When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem:

Zion, have no fear,

do not let your hands fall limp.

The Lord your God is in your midst,

a victorious warrior.

He will exult with joy over you,

he will renew you by his love;

he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Isaiah 12:2-6

[R] Sing and shout for joy,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

[1] Truly, God is my salvation,

I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song,

he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water

from the wells of salvation..... **[R]**

[2] Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!

Declare the greatness of his name..... **[R]**

[3] Sing a psalm to the Lord

for he has done glorious deeds,

make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel..... **[R]**

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-7

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians:

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I

repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your

tolerance be evident to everyone; the Lord is very near

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you

need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and

thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much

greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts

and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Stand

Alleluia, alleluia!

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.

He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 3: 10-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

When all the people asked John, "What must we

do?" he answered, "If anyone has two tunics he must

share with the man who has none, and the one with

something to eat must do the same." There were tax

collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to

him, "Master what must we do?" He said to them, "Exact

no more than your rate." Some soldiers asked him in

their turn, "What about us? What must we do?" He said

to them, "No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with

your pay."

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the

people, who were beginning to think that John might be

the Christ, so John declared before them all, "I baptise

you with water, but someone is coming, someone who

is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the

strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy

Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear

his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his

barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go

out." As well as this, there were many other things he

said to exhort the people and to announce the Good

News to them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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THE CREED

(Stand)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, (At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

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PREFACE DIALOGUE

Stand

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. ...

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THE MYSTERY OF FAITH (3)

Priest: The Mystery of Faith.

People: Save us, Saviour of the world,

for by your Cross and resurrection,

you have set us free.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb ...

People: Lord, I am not worthy

that you should enter under my roof,

but only say the word

and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Say to the faint of heart:

Be strong and do not fear.

Behold, our God will come,

and he will save us.