

St John the Evangelist, Portobello.
4th Sunday of Easter (Year A).
Vigil Mass.
25 April 2026.

Opening Hymn

Abba, Father, send your Spirit,
glory, Jesus Christ (x2)

Glory hallelujah, glory, Jesus Christ (x2)

If you seek me, you will find me,
glory, Jesus Christ (x2). **R**

I'm your shepherd, I will lead you,
glory, Jesus Christ (x2). **R**

I'm your life and resurrection,
glory, Jesus Christ (x2). **R**

Glory Father, glory Spirit,
glory, Jesus Christ (x2). **R**
(V Vissing)

'Clap' Gloria

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo
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Lord God, heavenly King,
peace you bring to us;
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we sing our song of praise. **R**

Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God,
Lamb of God,
You take away our sins, O Lord,
have mercy on us all. **R**

At the Father's right hand,
Lord receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
and you alone are Lord. **R**

Glory, Father and Son, glory, Holy Spirit.
To you we raise our hands up high,
we glorify your name. **R**
(M Anderson)

Sung Responsorial Psalm
(Brother James' Air Setting)

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie in pastures green.
He leadeth me the quiet waters by.
In pastures green, he leadeth me the quiet waters
by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make within the paths of
righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his
own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill.
For thou art with me,
and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
For thou are with me, and thy rod and staff me
comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my
foes.
My head thou dost with oil anoint and my cup
overflows.
My head thou dost with oil anoint and my cup
overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely
follow me,
and in God's house for ever more my dwelling
place shall be.
And in God's house for ever more my dwelling
place shall be.
(Scottish Psalter, 1650)

Sung Alleluia (*Caribbean setting*)

Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Spoken Gospel Acclamation

I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord. I know my sheep and my own know me.

Sung Alleluia (*Caribbean setting*)

Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Halle, halle, halle-lujah!
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Offertory Hymn

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain.
Love lives again, that with the dead has been.
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, love whom men had
slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain.
He that for three days in the grave had lain.
Quick from the dead my risen Christ is seen:
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again.
Fields of our heart that dead and bare have been,
love is come again like wheat that springeth green.
(*J Crum*)

Sanctus (*abbreviated J Ballantine setting*)

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord
God almighty.
Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord, blessed is the
Lord God almighty.
Hosanna in the heights of heaven.
Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord.

Memorial Acclamation (*Schutte setting*)

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.

Agnus Dei (*Mgr Rae / Farrell setting*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. (x2)

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

Communion Hymn

Laudate Dominum,
laudate Dominum,
omnes gentes, alleluia (x2)

Sing, praise and bless the Lord,
sing, praise and bless the Lord.
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia! (2)

Laudate Dominum,
laudate Dominum,
omnes gentes, alleluia (x2)
(*J Berthier, Taizé*)

Closing Hymn

***Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.***

Jesus is Lord of all the Earth.
he is the king of creation. **R**

Spread the good news throughout the world.
Jesus has died and is risen. **R**

God has proclaimed the just reward.
'Life for us all, alleluia'. **R**

Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Saviour. **R**
(*M Cocket*)