St. Patrick's Testimony Pamphlet Endorsements

- "At a time when many no longer know who the Living Christ is, St.
 Patrick's testimony reminds us of the Triune Living God Who is more
 than able to bring people to Himself once again. His testimony can be
 used as a tool to share our Living God with those who need Him today."
 Rev. Daniel Reyes Martin Mullingar +Corboy Presbyterian Churches
- 2. "This excellent pamphlet is an extraordinary personal testimony of one of the great evangelists. It teaches us as much about the grace of God in Jesus Christ as it does about the personal life and times of Patrick. This publication is beautifully set out to make the Confession accessible and readable"

Rev. Stephen Taylor, OMIT Minister, Dundrum Methodist, Dublin

- 3. "The testimony of St. Patrick is not just a unique historical document. It speaks eloquently of a great man's witness to his relationship with the Living God, who in Jesus Christ invites us all to a relationship with Him". Bishop Ferran Glenfield, COI Diocese of Kilmore & Elphin, Cavan.
- 4. "Patrick's story is one of personal believing faith in the Holy and Undivided Trinity. His zeal for evangelism led to a nation being changed. St Patrick's Testimony tells this story and we thank the Evangelical Catholic Initiative for making this resource available to the whole church" Bishop David McClay, COI Diocese of Down and Dromore
- "There is a lot of myth around our patron Saint Patrick. This Pamphlet dispels this and rather gives a clear, concise and truthful account of his life and the gospel of Jesus Christ that he clearly preached".
 Rev. Trevor Stevenson, COI Parish Crinken, Co. Dublin
- 6. "I like the overall format it is user friendly and 'fit' for the 21st century. I like the way you have broken up the text into sections which are readable in bitesize chunks. I love the 'Breastplate' on one side. one could put the 'Breastplate' on its own and even frame it for the wall of a bedroom etc."

Fr. John Murray PP Downpatrick, Co. Down

7. "This is a wonderfully innovative way to celebrate St Patrick and his pioneering of the Gospel in Ireland. This Pamphlet, opening out into a beautiful poster, will provoke questions and conversations. I congratulate all involved in its production, and pray God will use it to transform lives."

Pastor Nick Park, Exec. Director, Evangelical Alliance Ireland

8. "This is a beautiful reproduction of the most important document of the Irish people. It is a link with the beginning of a 1,500 year history of Christianity"

Pastors John and Joanna Ahern, All Nations Church, Dublin "

- 9. <u>"A relevant and much needed depiction of Patrick for today, it is a beautifully attractive pamphlet that presents Patrick as a continuous seeker of God whose honesty and struggle is timeless. Far more than a history or chronicle, it is a springboard and path to know and follow Jesus today" Fr. John Nally, St. Marys, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.</u>
- 10. "I love it. I am very happy to endorse it as an excellent summary of Patrick's creed and of what Ireland's first Christians were taught. It was this worldview that made possible the vocation to become a land of saints and scholars."

Rev. Dr. William Olhausen, COI Parish, Killiney Co. Dublin

11. "Thank God history has preserved an accurate record of Patrick's Testimony. An example of what God can do with one sold out for Him. As you read it may God the Holy Spirit inspire and anoint you to become all He has created you to be and do."

Pastor Trevor Hill, River of Life & Plumbline Ireland, Athlone,

- 12. "I love this Testimony Pamphlet. It's our story wrapped up in Patrick, our story of Jesus in our nation...there is real treasure in this Pamphlet" Pastor Noel Kenny, Liberty Church, Dublin
- 13. "This beautifully presented evangelical resource will form the core of our parish celebrations of our National saint. It combines knowledge understanding and inspiration which, added together, lead to a deeper love of Patrick, the Gospel and the Lord. I love that it is rooted in Scripture" Fr. Joe McDonald, PP Celbridge, Co. Kildare
- **14.** "What a delight to receive such a concise and readable version of St. Patrick's Testimony with the poster size version of The Breastplate. My parishioners were delighted to receive it as we prepared to celebrate our Nation Patron's feast day."

Fr Padraig Gleeson PP Sallynoggin, Dublin

15. "The Pamphlet is magnificent. It is very readable and a great opportunity for all to awaken to the Living Christian Spirituality that illuminated the Irish people, and through them inflamed a Europe grown cold to Christ". Fr Damian Ryan PP, Manister, Co. Limerick

16. "As we read Saint Patrick's 'Testimony' we gain an insight into a man who was strong, courageous, deeply dedicated to Christ; a person not easily defeated or discouraged. By reflecting on his testimony let us allow ourselves to be touched, enchanted, fall in love with St. Patrick's belief in the power of prayer, the convictions of his faith, and in the closeness of God."

Archbishop Dermot Farrell, RC Archdiocese of Dublin

"My hope and prayer is that the Lord would use this resource to open eyes and hearts across Ireland to his presence, grace and offer of new life. May this witness and testimony of St Patrick who brought many to Christ before, do so again now."

David Smyth Evangelical Alliance Northern Ireland

"St Patrick's Testimony allows us a glimpse of our own cultural roots in a way that is authentic, at a time when what Is banal is in danger of putting a veil over our Christian origins."

Bishop John Fleming, RC Diocese of Killala. Co. Mayo

- "I have great pleasure in endorsing this publication. The continuing significance of St. Patrick and his witness to Christ are internationally renowned as well as being pivotal to Irish Christianity. Initiatives which give each generation the opportunity to engage afresh with this vision are important to us and to all with whom we come in contact."
 - Archbishop Dr Michael Jackson, COI Archdiocese of Dublin

"This powerful story is worth reading and sharing, our nation desperately needs the gospel again"

Pastor Paul and Caroline Cullen, Discovery Church, Galway

21. "I find St. Patrick's Testimony so inspiring. It tells of a man who was totally converted to God and committed to doing His will no matter what stumbling blocks were in his way. It is the simplicity of his faith that grabs me most. He took God at his word and everything and everyone else was secondary to that. What difference such a faith would make to all our churches and world today! Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"

Rev Sahr Yambasu, President, Methodist Church in Ireland

22. "This is a beautifully produced little pamphlet capturing the heart of St Patrick's testimony in his own words. A great gift for anyone with a desire to learn more about Celtic Spirituality from its founder!"

Dominic McDermott, TJCII UK and Source Community, England.

- 23. "This pamphlet is quite extraordinary the life of the patron saint of Ireland cross referenced with his own 70 scripture passages. What an amazing ecumenical resource for a time such as this" Bill Horton. The Community of the Risen Christ, Glasgow, Scotland
- 24. " As we consider Patrick's Testimony we hear a timeless echo from our past, which still resonates and has pertinent relevance for our present - The fact that he was neither Protestant nor Catholic, but simply "Christian", means that the man and his message can bring healing to historic divisions by helping us focus on the Christ who unites us. --Something desperately needed in our increasingly polarised society". Pastor Peter Finch, Joshua Community, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan
- 25. "I, Patrick, a sinner and the most uneducated of men..." So begins the testimony of this most accessible and as such most modern of ancient saints. A man who finds himself at the ends of the earth and, as far as he is concerned, near the end of time. In these circumstances he reveals himself and his relationship with God and the Gospel with a heart winning frankness which has never faded."

Archbishop John McDowell, COI Archbishop of Armagh

26. "Patrick was a man whose life made a difference. This was in part because of his great determination to prevail in face of adversity something which bore witness to his strength of character. But impressive though this is, it was Patrick's faith in the risen Christ which ultimately made him the man he was, and is his lasting legacy. This Testimony to the power of God to change a nation by redeeming its people, is as strong and relevant today as it was when Patrick walked among us. Thank God for his story."

Rt Rev Dr David Bruce, Moderator, Presbyterian Church in Ireland

27. "So much has been written and speculated about St. Patrick down through the centuries. Sometimes it's best just to let the saint speak for himself – to spend time with his own words and testimony. Here you will find a man of God with deep faith and trust alongside his sense of unworthiness. Struggles, hopes, fears, joys and trials. By reflecting with St. Patrick on some of the scripture passages which inspired him, we can find inspiration for our own lives and a desire to encounter Christ as he did, and the strength to bring the good news of salvation to everyone we meet. May Christ the Lord, the High King of Heaven be near to you as you read and pray these words and shield you, as he did Patrick, from every evil"

Archbishop Eamon Martin, RC Archdiocese of Armagh

- ^{28.} "The Testimony of St Patrick is not just about his faith; it is also a reflection of his humanity. As I read it, I am conscious of ministering in a Diocese where he preached and baptised. Faced with the challenge of forming vibrant communities of faith in the 21st Century, the words of Patrick remind us that this is not a mission which any of us can exercise alone. Each one of us, lay or ordained, woman or man, young or old, has the grace for mission through the Spirit of God who is given to us."

 Bishop Kevin Doran, RC Diocese of Elphin, Sligo.
- 29. "St. Patrick's Testimony Pamphlet is reader-friendly. Patrick's story echoes our own quest for God. For the reader it awakens a sense of God in the turns and twists of life. It stimulates prayer, as it links us with Patrick's own sense of the Word of God in Scripture. It draws us into the living tradition of the Christian heritage".

Bishop Noel Treanor, RC Diocese of Down and Connor

- 30. "The story of St. Patrick is one of the most beautiful and amazing Irish stories. It shows what God can do with a person that is sold out to Him. It is with great pleasure that we endorse this inspiring and refreshing Pamphlet. We are confident that it will greatly impact for good anyone that reads it." Pastor Tunde Adebayo-Oke, Ireland Coordinator and Pastor Caroline Adebayo-Oke, Redeemed Christian Church of God
- 31. "Patrick's testimony The inspiring words of a real and relatable human being, who knew his need for God but who, with God's help, transformed a nation. We need new Patricks among us today men and women of faith who know their need for God yet are passionate to make Him known. Men and women who, like Patrick are willing to live and die for the Gospel. What an inspiration, to read his own words, his own story, about our wonderful God, and what He can accomplish through a willing soul".

JP & Cliona Johnson, Community of Nazareth, Dublin

32. "Thank God that His word is living and never ages. No matter if it's people of old or now God is still calling people to worship Him and serve him. We are so thankful for the testimony of St Patrick, of his repentance and reliance on Jesus Christ."

Pastor Davood Mahmoodi, Iranian Gospel Church Dublin.

33. "We gladly welcome this initiative, which we believe is the most appropriate way to honour a Christian pioneer in Ireland by doing what he did: leading people to Christ. This project brings believers and ministers together in our mission as churches and I believe that, in this way, Ireland can have one more Patrick in every generation."

Pastor Valerian Jurjea, Betania Romanian Church - Dublin.

34. "A very inspiring source of the great truths on why we celebrate St. Patrick's Day. May the life and work of St. Patrick continue to touch lives in the churches and the world today".

Pastor Manny De Leon, Word International Ministries, Ireland

35 "This pamphlet tells the amazing story of Patrick, an ordinary man who was used by the grace of God to impact and transform Ireland through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let it be an encouragement for us to pray for the Kingdom of God to come in our day"

Rev Roly and Susan Heaney, COI Parish Redcross, Co. Wicklow

36. "The life and ministry of St Patrick still has the power to inspire and challenge us. This pamphlet tells his story in an engaging and attractive way. I believe God will continue to use the Testimony of St Patrick to lead many to a living faith in Jesus Christ."

Bishop Andrew Forster, COI Diocese of Derry & Raphoe

37 "I am happy to endorse the Pamphlet. The continual call to faith echoes through time, the witness of St. Patrick has echoed through the centuries – his testimony is never more necessary in our own time as people search to deepen their faith"

Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly, RC Archdiocese of Cashel and Emily

38 "Radical means going back to the roots. I welcome this *Testimony* of St Patrick, our going back to our radical roots. We read his own words about how he was enabled to light the fire of the Holy Spirit that burned bright for many centuries." Bishop Donal McKeown