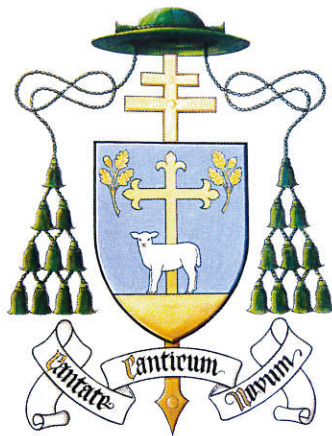


ARCHBISHOP EAMON'S COAT OF ARMS



*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world! Blessed are
those called to the supper of the Lamb!*

The lamb standing on the altar, looking directly at us, with the background of the cross, reminds us of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice (CCC 1367).

The standing lamb, often referred to in the Book of Revelation, is an image of hope. It represents that, by his resurrection, the innocent Christ won victory over evil and death. Witnesses to the apparition of Our Lady at Knock also described seeing a lamb, standing on the altar, in front of a cross.

The blue colour of the shield and the cross fleury (with arms endings in the *fleurs-de lys*) are in honour of Mary, the Mother of God.

The two sprigs of oak leaves and acorns represent Derry, *Doire Cholmcille* where Archbishop Eamon was born and grew up.

The motto *Cantate Canticum Novum* occurs many times in the Bible in its fuller form: *Cantate Domino Canticum Novum* (Sing a new song to the Lord) e.g. Psalm 96:1; Psalm 98:1; Isaiah 42:10; Rev 5:9; 14:3. It represents a call to personal conversion and to a closer relationship with Jesus in our own lives. It also signals that this is a time of hope and renewal for the Church.