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PREFACE

“They shall rejoice in their portion”
(Isaiah 61.7)

This recipe collection is being published to celebrate the eight-hundredth anniversary of the foundation of St Patrick’s Cathedral, which happens to fall—appropriately—in the year when Dublin is the European City of Culture. It has been prepared by a small group of enthusiasts associated with the Cathedral: John and Judy Barnes, Basil Grace, John Kilgore, Margaret Moyse, Kate O’Sullivan, Judith Wilkinson and Jane Wilson. Apart from the recipes, it has two other ingredients: passages of prose and verse relating to St Patrick’s or to food (or to both), garnered from a variety of sources; and drawings of the Cathedral by Judy Higginbotham, which were especially commissioned to leaven the content of this volume.

The recipes themselves were gathered in two ways. In the first place, the Cathedral community at large was encouraged to contribute as its members (and their relatives and friends) might wish. Secondly, the editors invited contributions individually from a number of people who in one way or another are prominent in public life, both within and beyond the provinces of the Church of Ireland. At an early stage these well-known individuals were informed that their recipes would be placed in a separate section. In its final distillation, however, the book is not arranged in that way. It is hoped that such a venial breach of trust will be forgiven by the contributors who have been treated as prominent personages; they are distinguished instead by the use of bold type for their names at the end of their offerings.
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