



St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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DON'T QUIT.

When things go wrong as the sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill.
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if your must, but don't you quit.
Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns.
And many a failure turns about,
When he might have won had he stuck it out;
Don't give up though the pace is slow –
You may succeed with another blow.
Success is failure inside out –
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you can never tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit –
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.

The 7.30 evening Mass next Saturday will be cancelled in order to facilitate a concert taking place in the church. The concert is in support of the CUH children's program and a fund raiser in support of renovations about to take place in our Parish Centre. Two important causes and a good evenings entertainment guaranteed. Please support the event.

Voices at Wilton -Charity Concert Saturday 14th April SMA Church, Wilton Time: 8 pm

Featuring

- * Ryan Morgan
- * Alison Long
- * Carrigaline singers
- * Cork Garda Male Voice Choir
- * MC Sergeant Peter Murphy

Tickets €15, available in the Mass office of the SMA, Wilton Shopping Centre and at the door on the night.



TROCAIRE: We thank all those who took the Trocaire boxes. With Easter upon us we ask now that people might begin to return their contributions. Contributions can be returned to the Mass Office or the Sacristy. To date we have collected €896.27. Thank you for your support, the work of Trocaire is an important source of support for the works of charity of the Church.

After Mass during the coming week there will be a **talk in the Parish Centre by Fr. Sylvester Flynn**. Fr. Sylvester is a Biblical scholar and author. He will talk of the meaning of the Easter readings for our lives. It would be worth your time attending.

Easter Envelopes

Thanks to those people who returned their Easter envelopes. The Easter Offerings are an important means of support for the parish. People wishing to support our Parish can collect an envelope from the tables in the church. Envelopes can be returned to the Parish Office and the Sacristy. People participating in the Parish Pledge program are reminded that their contribution in the Easter envelope is included as part of the overall contributions for the year.

Good Friday collection. Our Good Friday collection in support of the appeal to support the upkeep of the shrines in the Holy Land came to €640. Thank you for your generosity, this money will be forwarded to the Bishop.

SMA Wilton Parish responds to the Homeless crisis in Cork. The Wilton Justice Group has collaborated with Cork Simon community in an exciting project to house the homeless of Cork. Simon community have acquired a historic building. The old stone building on Angelsea Street . known as St. Joachim and Ann's which was originally built in 19th century to house retired priests' housekeepers. Latterly it has served as a nursing home.

The Wilton justice group has supported different projects in Simon since we became a group in 2014. Because of this support Simon invited the group to become involved in the fundraising to establish nine apartments in St Joachim and Ann's. The group were invited to visit St. Joachim and Ann's to view the plans. Simon have succeeded in obtaining a capital grant to do the major work on the building. Simon invited the Wilton Justice group to fundraise to cover the cost of fitting out one of these apartments. Through parish effort we had a great response and have succeeded in raising €6,500, the cost of fitting out one apartment. Several groups in the parish collaborated in this effort, The Carol singers from An Gael Scoil raised money by singing carols in the shopping centre. The annual parish Christmas Carol service also donated half of its takings to the project. The bingo group who meet in the parish centre raised funds through a raffle. The placing of red ribbons on the Christmas tree and contributing to Simon was supported by the parishioners.

The Wilton Justice Group feel privileged to be involved in such a practical project to help to solve the homeless problem in Cork city.

Kathleen O'Connor , member of the Wilton Justice Group.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.
May almighty God have mercy on us,.....Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father
you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father
have mercy on us;

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

God of everlasting mercy,
who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast
kindle the faith of the people you have made your
own, increase, we pray, the grace you have
bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly
understand in what font they have been washed,
by whose Spirit they have been reborn,
by whose Blood they have been redeemed.

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group of believers was united,
heart and soul; no one claimed for his own
use anything that he had, as everything they
owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the
resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great
power, and they were all given great respect.
None of their members was ever in want, as
all those who owned land or houses would
sell them, and bring the money from them, to
present it to the apostles; it was then
distributed to any members who might be
in need.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 8th. April 2018

(Divine Mercy Sunday)

The question of faith is the question of today's gospel: Thomas is one who doubted for a while that the Lord was risen. Jesus accepted his doubts and his unbelief and through that experience, which most people go through at some time in their lives, he found the Lord in a deeper way.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 117

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
or Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1. Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.' Let those who fear
the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' [R]

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;

his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live

and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the
Lord, but not doomed to die. [R]

3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,

a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;

we rejoice and are glad. [R]

SECOND READING 1 John 5:1 - 6

A reading from the letter of St. John.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;

and whoever loves the Father that begot
him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children
if we love God himself and do what he has
commanded us; this is what loving God is -
keeping his commandments;
and his commandments are not difficult,
because anyone who has been begotten
by God has already overcome the world;
this is the victory over the world -
our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus
is the Son of God;

Jesus Christ who came by water and
blood, not with water only,

but with water and blood;

with the Spirit as another witness -

since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said; 'You believe because you
can see me. Happy are those who have
not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia !

GOSPEL John 20: 19 - 31

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day
of the week, the doors were closed in the
room where the disciples were, for fear of
the Jews. Jesus came and stood among
them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,'
and showed them his hands and his side.
The disciples were filled with joy when they
saw the Lord, and he said to them again,
'Peace be with you.'

As the Father sent me, so am I sending
you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and
said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'

For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of
the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus
came. When the disciples said, 'We have
seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see
the holes that the nails made in his hands
and can put my finger into the holes they
made, and unless I can put my hand into his
side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the
disciples were in the house again and
Thomas was with them. The doors were
closed, but Jesus came in and stood among
them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he
spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here;
look, here are my hands. Give me your
hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer
but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and
my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen
and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus
worked and the disciples saw, but they are

not recorded in this book. These are recorded
so that you may believe that Jesus is the
Christ the Son of God, and that believing this
you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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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,

All bow for following three lines:

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.

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your
people (and of those you have brought to new
birth), that, renewed by confession of your
name and by Baptism, they may attain
unending happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your
Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the
nails, and do not be unbelieving but
believing, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our
reception of this paschal Sacrament
may have a continuing effect in our minds and
hearts. Through Christ our Lord.