



St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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Parish Lenten Program – AT SEA WITH GOD.

Dealing with Storms in our lives.

How to ride the storms and grow as individuals as result of the experiences of our lives.

Go higher, go deeper: it is said that there is calmer water a mere ten feet below the trough of the highest waves. Pilots also report that flying conditions at higher altitudes can be very much more stable than the turbulences around at lower altitudes. A very valuable way of dealing with our life's turbulence can be to make space regularly to be still, at a deeper level (or a higher) level of awareness, in reflective prayer. New perspectives often emerge out of this kind of stillness, and the clamour of the immediate turmoil can give way to the deeper, more eternal rhythms and harmonies that alone can redirect our courses.

EASTER OFFERINGS. Easter is a time when we, individually, acknowledge our appreciation for what God has done for us in Jesus. We do this by participating actively in the Easter ceremonies but also by our individual or family Easter offering. In this regard Easter envelopes are available in the church. Again we ask that individuals be responsible for the taking and returning of their own envelope from the church.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday.

We will recall the moment of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem with the ceremony of the blessing and distribution of palm branches. Having come to see the connection between the Palm of Palm Sunday with the Ashes of Ash Wednesday it would be nice if we could make the Palms our own. If it is possible for people to bring palms to the church for next Sunday this would be a great help for us to join in making the meaning of our Easter ceremonies special for us.

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre Over 60' Talent Competition.

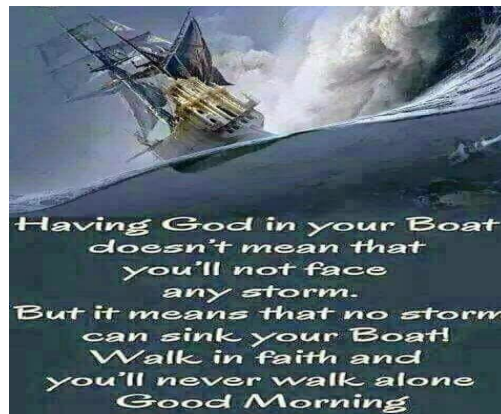
Our heat will take place in the **SMA Hall, Wilton, Friday 23rd March at 7.30 pm.**

Tickets €5 which are on sale at Wilton Park House (021-4348595) or on the door on the night. As this is our first venture in the over 60's Talent Competition your support would be very much appreciated.



Lenten Reflection and Penance Service.

Our Lenten service of reflection in preparation for Easter will take place this Tuesday 20th March @ 7.30pm.



The Mass and Novena Prayers in honour of Matt Talbot this Bank Holiday Monday night 19th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Way of the Cross Church, Togher. Hanna Costello will be the speaker on the night and the celebrant will be Very Rev. Canon Robert Brophy P.P.

March Parish Charity: For March we will be supporting TROCAIRE.

There are envelopes containing money boxes and donation envelopes available at the back of the church or in the Parish Centre. At one's convenience return your box or envelope to the Parish Centre or the Sacristy. To date we collected €150.75.

Knit and Natter Group Bishopstown Library

would like to thank all who contributed to their fundraiser for Alzheimer's Society. Total raised €1,894.

Bank Holiday Monday 19th March (Feast of St. Joseph (Patron of our Parish).

One Mass only at 12 noon.

The S.M.A. Parish Centre will be closed on St. Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March and Bank Holiday Monday 19th March.

Bingo will however still take place at the usual time of 8 pm on Monday night.

ST JOSEPH'S SMA PARISH WILTON HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2018

Saturday 24th March

Vigil Masses: 6 pm & 7.30 pm

Palm Sunday 25th March

Masses at 9.00am, 10.30am & 12 noon.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (26th, 27th, 28th March)

Masses at usual times

Holy Thursday 29th March: (No Morning Mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm

Adoration until 11pm

Good Friday 30th March: (No Morning Mass)

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm

Stations of the Cross at 7.30 pm

Holy Saturday 31st March: (No Morning Mass)

Easter Vigil Mass at 9.00pm

(No Evening Mass at 6.00pm or 7.30pm)

Easter Sunday 1st April:

Masses 9.00am, 10.30am & 12.00 noon

Easter Monday 2nd April:

Mass at 12 noon only

Confessions: Good Friday 30th March: After 3.00pm Service. Holy Saturday 31st March: 11.00am-12.00pm

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that
is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue
me, for you, O God, are my strength.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have
failed to do, through my fault,
through my fault, through my most
grievous fault; therefore
I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

OPENING PRAYER

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God,
may we walk eagerly in that same charity
with which, out of love for the world,
your Son handed himself over to death.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

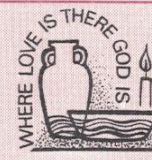
See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who
speaks - when I will make a new covenant with
the House of Israel and the House of Judah,
but not a covenant like the one I made with
their ancestors on the day I took them by the
hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt.
They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to
show them who was master. It is the Lord who
speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make
with the House of Israel when those days
arrive - it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within
them I will plant my Law, writing it on their
hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall
be my people. There will be no further need for
neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother
to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!'
No, they will all know me, the least no less
than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks -
since I will forgive their iniquity and never call
their sin to mind.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 18th. March 2018

Jesus was destined to die so that we would have life.
We must die to sin, die to our selfish ways,
if we are to be alive to Christ and alive for his kingdom.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 50

R. A pure heart create for me, O God.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. [R]
2. A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. [R]
3. Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you. [R]

SECOND READING Hebrews 5: 7-9

A reading from the book of Hebrews

During his life on earth, Christ offered up
prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears,
to the one who had the power to save him out
of death, and he submitted so humbly that his
prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he
learnt to obey through suffering; but having
been made perfect, he became for all who
obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of
God! If a man serves me, says the Lord, he
must follow me; wherever I am, my servant
will be there too.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word
of God!**

GOSPEL John 12:20 - 30

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Among those who went up to worship at the
festival were some Greeks. These
approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida
in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir we
should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell
Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went
to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:
'Now the hour has come

for the Son of Man to be glorified.

I tell you most solemnly,
unless a wheat grain falls on the ground
and dies, it remains only a single grain;
but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.
Anyone who loves his life loses it;
anyone who hates his life in this world
will keep it for the eternal life.
If a man serves me, he must follow me,
wherever I am, my servant will be there too.
If anyone serves me,
my Father will honour him.
Now my soul is troubled.
What shall I say:

Father, save me from this hour?
But it was for this very reason that
I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified
it, and I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it
was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was
an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered,
'It was not for my sake that this voice
came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this
world; now the prince of this world is to be
overthrown. And when I am lifted up from
the earth, I shall draw all men to myself.'
By these words he indicated the kind
of death he would die.

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

Pray brothers and sisters,
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your
hands for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy
Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Hear us, almighty God, and, having
instilled in your servants the teachings of
the Christian faith, graciously purify them
by the working of this sacrifice.
Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

**When we eat this Bread and drink this
Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain
of wheat falls to the ground and dies,
it remains a single grain.
But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray, almighty God, that we may always
be counted among the members of Christ,
in whose Body and Blood we have
communion.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.