



St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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Mass Times LIVE via the webcam
Monday - Friday 10am and 5.35 pm
Saturday: 10 am Vigil Mass: 6 pm
Sunday: 10.30 and 12 noon

THE CHALLENGE OF THE SEASON OF CREATION.

People of various faith traditions are invited to make a personal commitment to live more simply, in order to reduce the emissions that would otherwise contribute to climate change. Alone our actions may feel small but, when joined with those of thousands of others around the world, together we can make a difference. You are invited to make a personal commitment in the areas of travel, home energy use, diet and waste and to offer how these connect with your values and beliefs. A box will be placed beside our Season of Creation Candle where people will be invited to combine their token of commitment with each other in a box placed at the altar.

One of the challenges of the Season of Creation is to examine ways in which we could take stock of our homes and examine ourselves on some of the following issues:

1. Is it possible to use energy saving bulbs to reduce power consumption?
2. How can we be more economical in the use of water?
3. Do we still make use of 'single use plastics' in the community? Is it possible to reduce or completely eliminate it by replacing them with something else...?
4. How do we use paper, disposables - like serviettes, shopping bags, soap, chemical insecticides, etc.
5. How do we manage our waste? Is there something more we can do to separate waste and dispose of it appropriately?

THE MASS OFFICE HAS ON SALE SOME BOOKS WHICH CAN FOSTER A GREATER AWARENESS ON ISSUES BEING ADDRESSED IN THE SEASON OF CREATION. THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE ONESELF ON THESE ISSUES.

We wish to acknowledge the support for our recent "Plastic Free" awareness appeal. All cards have been forwarded as our contribution to the organisers. Little efforts like this show that a church has members who are concerned about our environment. Well done.

VISITING THE RABBI

In the last century, a tourist from America visited a famous Polish Rabbi.

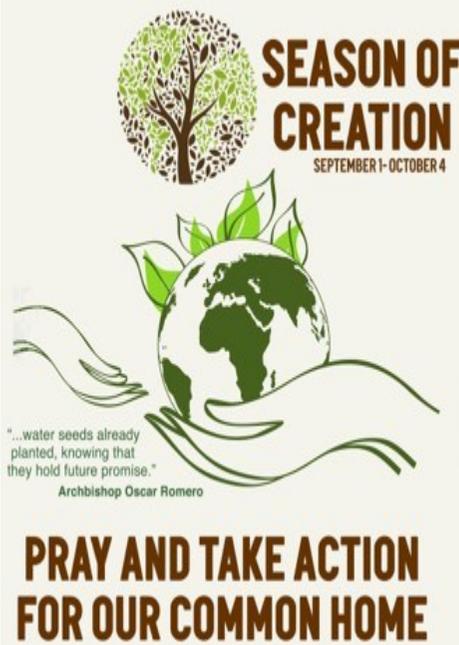
He was astonished to see that the rabbi's home was only a simple room filled with books. The only furniture was a table and a bench.

"Rabbi, where is your furniture?" asked the tourist.

"Where is yours?" said the rabbi

"Mine? But I'm passing though. I am only a visitor here."

"So am I."



CHURCH SANITISING.

Special thanks to the committee who are overseeing the daily sanitising of the church for Mass. The cost of materials is met by the proceeds of the second collection in church at the weekend and donations to the box at the back of the church marked for the purpose.

Amount collected to date: €1,764. Cost of materials purchased: €958

Out of the balance it has been decided to make a donation to the Diocese of €250 to make up for a collection we missed recently to support the running of the Diocese. People have been generous to the parish, we should be generous to our Bishop and Diocese at these times.

Monthly Charity

As a parish this month we are supporting **The Cork Deaf Association**. Thank you for your support. To date we have collected **€543**.

Mass card office is open Monday - Friday

Times: 9.30am - 12.30 pm and 2pm - 4.30 pm

Coffee Bar is open Monday - Friday

Times: 9.30 am - 12 noon



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my
God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry
to you all the day long.

GREETING

In the name of the FatherAmen.
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and
blood:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful
to unite in a single purpose,
grant your people to love what you
command and to desire what you promise,
that, amid the uncertainties of this world,
our hearts may be fixed on that place
where true gladness is found.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Isaiah 22: 19 - 23

A reading from the prophet of Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna,
the master of the palace:



TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Christian life will call on us at times to make a decision for or
against Jesus, as for the apostles in today's gospel. We know with him
we have the message of the deepest human love we are capable of.

23rd August 2020



I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post,
and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim
son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe,
gird him with your sash,
entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David
on his shoulder;
should he open, no one shall close,
should he close, no one shall open.
I drive him like a peg into a firm place;
he will become a throne of glory
for his father's house.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 137)

**R. Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. [R]
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. [R]
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. [R]

SECOND READING Romans 11: 33-36

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans.

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his
wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible
to penetrate his motives or understand his
methods! Who could ever know the mind of
the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor?
Who could ever give him anything or lend him
anything? All that exists comes from him; all is
by him and for him. To him be glory for ever!
Amen.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter and on this
rock I will build my Church.**

**And the gates of the underworld
can never hold out against it. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Matthew 16: 13 - 20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea
Philippi he put this question to his disciples,
'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And
they said 'Some say he is John the Baptist,
some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the
prophets.'

But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then
Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,
' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus
replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy
man! Because it was not flesh and blood that
revealed this to you but my Father in heaven.
So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this
rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the
underworld can never hold out against it. I will
give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven;
whatever you bind on earth shall be considered
bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth
shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he
gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone
that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED

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

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by
adoption through the one sacrifice offered
once for all, bestow graciously on us, we
pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your
Church. Through Christ our Lord.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and
profess your Resurrection until you come
again.**

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God.....

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should
enter under my roof, but only say the
word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my
blood has eternal life, says the Lord,
and I will raise him up on the last day.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,
the healing work of your mercy
and graciously perfect and sustain us,
so that in all things we may please you.
Through Christ our Lord.