



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: 9 am, 10.30 am and 12 noon

LENT WILL BE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR

We can do so little this year in our church during Lent because of the lockdown but we can make an effort to bring Lent into our home's by doing some of these practical suggestions.

We can make sure that we have a crucifix in a central place in our home during Lent. A bowl of water on our dining room table can be transformed into a reminder of our preparing to renew our baptismal promises. A candle can be lit at each meal to remind us of the light of Christ among us in Lent and to prepare us for the new fire being lit at the Easter Vigil. Placing a Bible in a central place in our home reminds us of the central place of God's Word in our lives on this Lenten journey.

This year's Lent can be different. Lent will no longer feel like a burden, but rather a blessing.

Lent Program

Movement will be curtailed during Lent, we will all be living a Monastic experience. It is a good time for personal reflection.

To enable this, we are encouraging people to purchase a copy of a newly published book by Martina Lehané Sheehan "Trellis for the soul" -€15. Copies are on sale in the Mass Office or can be purchased through Veritas. *To help a person get an idea of the book you can view a video clip on our web site.*

ASH WEDNESDAY 17TH February.

Our church will not be open for Ash Wednesday but that doesn't mean we can't celebrate the ceremony of Ash on that day. We are asking people to return their Palm branches for the usual burning to make the Ash for the day. We will put a box in front of the altar where the palms can be placed.

Details on the distribution and how we will celebrate Ash Wednesday will be announced, and will depend on the amount of ashes we have to share.

It would be hoped that a member of the family will apply the ashes to the foreheads of each person present. A lovely reminder that our families are Domestic Churches – **the real foundation of the Church.**

The Gael Scoil are keen to participate with us. That they wish to do so is a challenge to us as a community to see that sufficient Ash is prepared and placed in envelopes for distribution.

The Gospel of Mark

Mark is the Gospel being read in church during the Sundays of Ordinary Time during 2021.

In addition to encouraging personal reading of the Gospel, Ber Mulcahy will share an understanding of the Gospel of Mark on the webcam **starting Mondays at 7.30pm - 1st & 8th February.** It will be of benefit to those who wish to enter more fully in the mind of Mark.

You're invited to explore life's big questions

Alpha is a place to explore the Christian faith with others.

Want to explore?
Send us an email on;
brew132team@netministries.ie

Try Alpha

Starts 4th February
7.30pm on Zoom
We look forward to seeing you there!

Why am I here?
Does God exist?
What's my purpose?



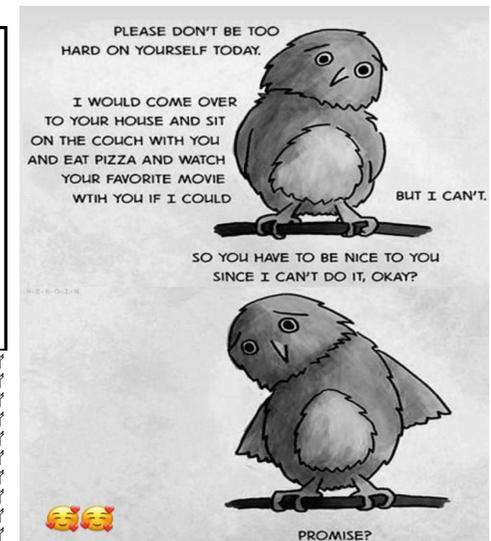
Our Parish Newsletter is available for collection on Thursday mornings each week. In addition to them being able to be collected from the church, we are now happy to announce that they can also be collected from the *following locations*:

Dunne's Stores, Bishopstown; Lidl, Wilton; Wilton Shopping Centre Information Desk; Tesco Wilton Shopping Centre; Maxol Garage, Glasheen Road; Super Value, Togher; Tramore Road Post Office.

We are grateful to the managers of all these locations for allowing us to make our bulletins available to people.

Lockdown Charity

For the period of the lockdown we will support - **Bishopstown Meals on Wheels.** It's a local and deserving charity and an expression that we are part of this local community. To date we have collected **€295.**



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father:

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

Lord Jesus, you have given us the consolation of the truth:

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

Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, leading us into everlasting life:

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

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 18:15-20

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy
Moses said to the people: "Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly "Do not let me hear



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catholic Schools Week begins

Jesus speaks the words of his Father today with an authority that made a deep impression on his listeners.

31st. January 2021



again" you said " the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me,"All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps. 94)

R. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. [R]

2. Come in; let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. [R]

3. O that today you would listen to his voice! "Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work." [R]

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

A reading from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians
I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to

pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned. Alleluia!



GOSPEL Mark 1:21-28

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark
Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

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, we bring to your altar these offerings of our service: be pleased to receive them, we pray, and transform them into the Sacrament of our redemption. 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

Let your face shine on your servant. **Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by these redeeming gifts, we pray, O Lord, that through this help to eternal salvation true faith may ever increase.

Through Christ our Lord.

