



# 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

## WAYS OF BRINGING LENT INTO YOUR HOME

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.

### ASH WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> 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 thank people who returned their Palm branches for burning to make the Ash for the day.

The palms will be burnt and the ash will be distributed in envelopes. The envelopes will be placed on the altar and people are free to come and take an envelope – *one per family*.

The leader of the family can 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.**

**If a person is not able to come to the church send us a stamped addressed envelope and we hope the ash will arrive in time, if not it can be seen as a reminder of your family's connection with us for the season of Lent.**

We are happy that the Gael Scoil are keen to participate with us. We invite parents, or grandparents, to come to the church, when open, and collect an envelope for your family.

*It's a novel way of passing on the Faith.*

### WELL DONE TO EVERYONE.

The parish secretary has taken upon herself the task of compiling the list and amount collected for the various Charities we have supported since the exercise began in 2015. It is a record of a wonderful array of charities that we have supported and comes to a very very impressive figure of **€108,191.76**. The list is on the Notice Board. **Well done to one and all.**

### 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 **€706**.

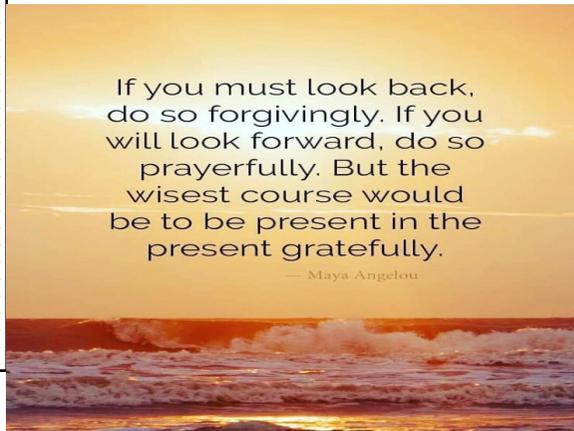
### IRISH CATHOLIC PRICE INCREASE.

The cost of the Irish Catholic is now €2.50 from this week.

### 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 Lehane 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](#).**



If you must look back,  
do so forgivingly. If you  
will look forward, do so  
prayerfully. But the  
wisest course would  
be to be present in the  
present gratefully.

— Maya Angelou

### The Gospel of Mark.

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

Due to the malfunctioning of our web cam last weekend the talks by Ber Mulcahy on the Gospel of Mark will now be available on the web cam on **Monday 8th and 15th February. Time: 7.30 pm.** It will be of benefit to those who wish to enter more fully into the mind of Mark.

### Sitting at the Lord's feet

A devout lady approached her parish priest one day and said, 'Father, I have been praying almost unceasingly for fourteen years, and I have never had any sense of God's presence.' 'Did you give God a chance to put in a word?' he asked. 'Well, no,' she said, 'I have been talking to him all this time. Is that not what prayer is?' 'Well, no' he said. 'I don't think so. Now what I suggest is that you should set apart fifteen minutes a day, and just sit before the face of God.' And so she did. What was the result? Quite soon she came once again and said, 'It's extraordinary, when I pray to God, in other words when I talk to him, I feel nothing. But when I sit quietly, face to face with him, I feel wrapped in his presence.' Prayer can be described as resting in the presence of God. It's more a question of staying quiet in his presence than of saying prayers.

You have the opportunity of 'sitting at the Lord's feet and of listening to Him' during the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, in this Church, Monday - Friday, anytime from 10.30 am - 2 pm (or join us via the webcam) for quiet adoration.

**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.

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O come, let us worship God  
and bow low before the God who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God.

## 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

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unflinching care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, .....

## ✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

### FIRST READING *Job 7:1-4.6-7*

*A reading from the book of Job*

Job began to speak:

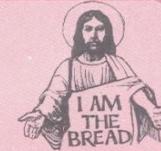
Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of



## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus is the healer  
who gives hope to his people.

7th February 2021



grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 146)

**R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken - hearted.**

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;  
sing to our God for he is loving:  
to him our praise is due. [R]
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem  
and brings back Israel's exiles,  
he heals the broken - hearted,  
he binds up all their wounds.  
He fixes the number of the stars;  
he calls each one by its name. [R]
3. Our Lord is great and almighty;  
his wisdom can never be measured.  
The Lord raises the lowly;  
he humbles the wicked to the dust. [R]

### SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 9:16-19.22-23*

*A reading from St Paul's letter to the Corinthians.*

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**He took our sicknesses away,  
and carried our diseases for us. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL *Mark 1:29-39*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

*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 our God,  
who once established these created things to sustain us in our frailty, grant, we pray, that they may become for us now the Sacrament of eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### AFTER THE CONSECRATION

**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

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,  
his wonders for the children of men,  
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,  
and the hungry he fills with good things.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who have willed that we be partakers in the one Bread and the one Chalice, grant us, we pray, so to live that, made one in Christ, we may joyfully bear fruit for the salvation of the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.