

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 am and 12 noon

Pope Francis on the Devil

The devil runs around everywhere, but I'm most afraid of the polite devils. Those who ring your doorbell, who ask your permission, who enter your house, who make friends... But Jesus never talked about that? Yes, he did! Yes, he did. When he says this: when the unclean spirit comes out of a man, when someone is converted or changes his life, he goes and starts to walk around, in arid places, he gets bored... and after a while, he says "I'm going back to see how it is", and he sees the house all tidy, all changed. Then he looks for seven people worse than him and enters with a different attitude.

That is why I say that the worst are the polite devils, those who ring the doorbell. The naivety of this person lets him in and the end of that man is worse than the beginning, says the Lord. I dread the polite devils. They are the worst, and one is very deceived. One is very deceived.

Pope Francis on Ecological issues

In Aparecida I heard the Brazilian bishops talk about preserving nature, the ecological problem, the Amazon....They insisted, insisted, insisted, and I wondered what this had to do with evangelization. That's what I felt. I didn't have the faintest idea. I'm talking about 2007. That shocked me. When I returned to Buenos Aires, I became interested, and slowly I began to understand something. Already being here, huh? I am a convert in this. And then I understood more. And somehow, I realized that I had to do something.

“ Building and repairing relationships are long term investments. ”

-Stephen Covey

★ VISITORS TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND.

This weekend we welcome again sisters of *St Elisabeth Convent, a Russian Orthodox community in Minsk, Belarus*. Since its establishment the convent has been patronizing 200 orphanage children with psychophysical deficiencies for more than 14 years. Their assistance goes from purchasing diapers for the bedridden children to the implementation of different activities on their rehabilitation and socialization. The Convent provides the needy with comprehensive help: accommodation, meals and necessary medicines, arranges medical examinations for them, helps to restore their IDs.

The sisters will have various items for sale which we hope will give them funds to continue their important work. Let's give them our Wilton welcome and generous support.

As the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins wrote: *"The world is charged with the grandeur of God."* If we truly believe that God created the beauty and wonder of our natural environment and continues to sustain us, we are called to collaborate with the Creator, to cherish the gift and protect it for future generations.

- ◆ The Children of Gael Scoil Úi Riada will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here in St. Joseph's Church Wilton on Friday 17th September.
- ◆ First Holy Communion was celebrated at the 11 am Mass on Saturday 11th September.

We wish all the children, their families and teachers all the best on these Happy and Holy occasions.

WILTON IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS

The display of pictures of *“Cork in the Good Old Days”* are still on display in the Coffee Dock at the Parish Centre. We are making progress on our collection of pictures that will be part of our display of photos of *“Wilton in the good old days”*.

We thank people who have offered some suitable pictures to begin the display. If other people have pictures of days gone by of the local area, we'd love to hear from you. We promise to return all pictures to the owners.

TAKE A VACCINE, GIVE A VACCINE.

The first week's response to our appeal to support the call to **GIVE A VACCINE, GET A VACCINE** was excellent.

The amount raised so far is €1,534.

The call is to invite people to place a **BLUE BRICK** on the board in the church and donate €5 to the appeal.

It's becoming clear that many part of the world are lagging behind, for various reasons, in their program of vaccination. Our little effort is a statement of concern and support for the less advantaged people of the world.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: There are only two Masses on Sunday's in our church – 10.30 am and 12 noon. Confession is available after the 10 am Mass on Saturdays by the sacristy.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit**

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

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

You came to call sinners:

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

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

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

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

FIRST READING Isaiah 50:5-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at



TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Suffering was the way for Christ to enter his glory. It was the way for him to show his love for God's people. His risen life is our hope in face of sorrow, death and suffering.

12th September 2021



my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 114

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living. or Alleluia!**

1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. **[R]**

2. They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me! **[R]**

3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me. **[R]**

4. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes
from tears and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord in
the land of the living. **[R]**

SECOND READING James 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of St. James

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds;

I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds - now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 8:27-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him, 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

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

Look with favour on our supplications, O
Lord, and in your kindness accept these,
your servants' offerings, that what each has
offered to the honour of your name may
serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our
Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the
shadow of your wings.**