

# 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

# THE SEASON OF CREATION.

Pope Francis and two other Christian faith leaders -Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople and Justin Welby, Anglican archbishop of Canterbury — called on "everyone, whatever their belief or worldview, to endeavour to listen to the cry of the earth and of people who are poor, examining their behaviour and pledging meaningful sacrifices for the sake of the earth which God has given us."

In the face of the continuing coronavirus pandemic and the weather disasters associated with climate change, they issued a first ever joint letter for the Season of Creation, urging the world's people to "choose life," that future generations may also live.

They wrote that for the sake of young people, who feel their future is threatened, "we must choose to eat, travel, spend, invest and live differently, thinking not only of immediate interest and gains but also of future benefits."

Congratulations to the Children of Gael Scoil Úi Riada who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

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

THE LIVING FAITH booklet for October December is on sale in the Mass Office. Sorry that the current copy got misplaced in the post but it was encouraging to see the amount of people who were eagerly looking for it. The price is still €1.



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.

VISITORS TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND.

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.

# WILTON IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

We thank people who have given us pictures that are now part of our display of photos of "Wilton in the good old days". The display at present includes date we have collected €3,021. We are asking pictures of the early days of the Gael Scoil and some happenings in the parish over 20 years ago. The display can be seen in the Coffee Dock at the Parish Centre.

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 response to our appeal to support the call to GIVE A VACCINE, GET A VACCINE is excellent. To

people to place a BLUE BRICK on the board in the church and donate €5 to the appeal.

It's becoming clear that many parts 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.

# READING FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION.

The new Archbishop of Dublin, Dermot Farrell has written an important Pastoral Letter for the Season of Creation. It's a challenge to address the Climate Catastrophe facing the world and our urgent need to address it. It's on sale in the Mass Office, €2.50 a copy. It's worth a read.

Cork Lions Club are holding a COVID compliant drive-in Bingo at 3pm Sunday 26th September at Curraheen Greyhound Stadium. Books €10 each. Gates open at 2pm.

## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

#### 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.

#### 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 founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.......

## **★ LITURGY OF THE WORD ★**

FIRST READING Wisdom 2:12. 17-20
A reading from the book of Wisdom



# TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There is no such question as to who is "the greatest in the service of God". We are all infinitely loveable in the sight of God. 19th September 2021

The godless say to themselves,

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life,

reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our up bringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 53: 3 - 6.8 R. The Lord upholds my life.

- O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause.
   O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.
- For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life.
   They have no regard for God.
- 3. But I have God for my help.
  The Lord upholds my life.
  I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
  and praise your name for it is good. [R]

# SECOND READING James 3:16-4:3 A reading from the letter of St. James

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the

desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
After leaving the mountain Jesus and his
disciples made their way through Galilee; and
he did not want anyone to know, because he
was instructing his disciples; he was telling
them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the
hands of men; they will put him to death; and
three days after he has been put to death he will
rise again'. But they did not understand what he
said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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 ₩

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

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. 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**

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

