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SYNOD SURVEY

The diocese has completed its submission from the people of the Diocese of Cork and Ross to the Pre Synodal Process. This diocesan synthesis is now submitted to form part of a national synthesis. Over the coming weeks portions of the report will be contained in the newsletter.

The complete report can be viewed on https://corkandross.org/diocesan/synodal-document-submitted-by-diocese/

Many of the people who chose to complete the online questionnaire stated that they feel no real engagement with their parish or their faith community other than going to Sunday (or in some cases daily) Mass.

When asked to identify who is missing from our church, fifty-nine percent of respondents identified young people and young adults as the number one missing group. While women form the largest part of church going congregations, this listening process highlighted that people feel that women are missing from the Church – missing from leadership and decision-making at a parish and diocese level (beyond child safeguarding).

The Knit for Africa group meet in the Coffee Dock every Monday at 2 pm.

The group is doing great work knitting materials for children in Africa. Some people do not attend but in the quiet of their homes they support the work of the group with home knitting.

READING THE GOSPEL OF LUKE.

Between this Sunday and the end of the Church's year (end of September) the Gospel that will be read on Sundays will once again be the Gospel of Luke. It's not easy to make sense of a book if we rely on reading it paragraph by paragraph each week. Please try and find the time to read the Gospel of Luke. *The Gospels are central to our faith*.

A human, being.

Your worth is you.

Your worth is your presence.

Your worth is right there.

Your worth isn't something you *earn*.

Your worth isn't something you **buy**.

Your worth isn't something you gain

through status, or popularity or stomach crunches or having a nice car.

Your worth is your existence.

You were born with worth, as all babies are, and that worth doesn't disappear because you have grown a little older.

You are a human being.

FACES OF CORK – Part 2.

A second selection of Faces of Cork representing people who have played a significant part in the life of Cork is now on view in the Parish Centre in the Coffee Dock.

People are free to view the display, free of charge, during opening time of the Centre.

Wilton Walking Group. New start time—11.15 am

The group assembles at 11.15am at the entrance of the Parish Centre. On returning you can relax and chat with a cuppa in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

MONTHLY CHARITY - FLIP FLOP APPEAL.

The church is spending a lot of time asking how it might draw young people back to the church. I would like to pass on the appreciation of the young people who spoke in Church last Sunday on behalf of the Flip Flop Charity. They were blown away with the generous response of €774. Well done, as is often said: As a community we have a lot to be grateful for but we also set for ourselves an expectation befitting of our call to be the community of Christ in Wilton. Well done again!!



The path isn't a straight line; it's a spiral.

You continually come back to things you thought you understood and see deeper truths.

UKRAINE SMA SUPPORT: We are happy to receive donations in aid of our ongoing support for the SMA Fathers in Poland who are catering for refugees. Thanks to people who are still making contributions.

Our current total contributions to the plight of the people of Ukraine now stands at €19,520. We will make it to 20 very soon. Well done and thanks.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

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

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 praver:

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 through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son...

GOD

LOVE

▼ LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:16. 19 - 21 A reading from the first Book of Kings.

The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve voke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you? Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Following Christ is a whole hearted service, a call to A leave many of the things we hold dear. He is the center; all else is secondary. 26th June 2022

and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 15:1-2.5.7-11 R. O Lord, it is you who are my portion.

- 1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.
- 2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.
- 3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. [R]
- 4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. [R]

SECOND READING Galatians 5:1, 13 - 18 A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians. When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain

free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the voke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 9:51 - 62 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God!

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God!

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.

₩ 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 God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ₱ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.