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Our International Day will take place on Sunday 4th September in the House grounds. This year we are encouraging our various Nationalities to share something of their culture by way of food, dancing, singing or any means possible. We are also joining with the chaplaincies of CUH and the Bons Hospitals In addition we are inviting members of the Ukrainian community to join with us on the day and they have promised to play their part.

We begin by asking individuals from different countries to identify themselves by leaving their contact details/country of origin on the sheet provided at the back of the church. ***We also ask people to sign if they can commit themselves to helping with teas/coffee on the day for a period of time. It's a community day and the more people who assist the better.***

UKRAINE SMA SUPPORT.

A copy of Fr. Grzegorz's SMA letter acknowledging the appreciation of the SMA Fathers for the support the parish is giving the SMA in support of the Ukrainian refugees is on the Notice Board at the back of the church.

Thanks for your continued support. The amount of support for Ukraine is now up to **€21,600.**

New feature, Please scan QR code above and it will take you straight to our website.

Parish Pilgrimage group to Mount Melleray

SMA PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Date: 17th - 22nd September

Five nights, full board – Hotel Roissy

Please contact Fr. Martin Kavanagh SMA at 021 4292871.

***Bridge Lessons* for beginners will take place in the SMA Parish Centre , commencing Tuesday 6th September at 7.30 pm.**

Further details and to enrol, contact Anne Maria 086 0854516 (Partner not essential).

A new book which might be of interest to people who care for Creation is "Nature's Way - A Guide to Green Therapy" by Tom Gunning. On sale in the Mass Office - €9.99.

Wilton Monday morning walking Group ***assembles at 11.15 am at the entrance of the Parish Centre.***

On returning you can relax and chat with a cuppa in the Parish Centre.

All are welcome.

PARISH TAX BACK SCHEME

It is nice to see new faces in our community; you are most welcome. Such people might not be familiar with the Tax Back scheme which operates in many churches in the dioceses.

Our Church as a charity can claim a refund on donations on behalf of all PAYE and Self-Assessed supporters. It won't affect a person's finances or tax status in any way. Any details you supply will be kept in the strictest of confidence. When a person's donations exceed €250 a year –either as a once off donation or as an accumulation of

contributions in the year the parish can claim a further €112 which will be a great help to parish finances.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL PRAYER ENRICHMENT IN OUR PARISH

- From Monday to Saturday there is ***Adoration*** in the church from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. Adoration takes place from 5.35 pm - 7 pm on Wednesdays after the 5.35 pm Mass.
- Also, on Wednesday evening there is ***Contemplative Prayer*** in the room opposite the sacristy at 7.30 pm till 8.15pm. Contemplative prayer is simply sitting in a reflective space and trying to be at one with yourself and with the Spirit.
- Thursday morning there is ***Lectio Divina*** in the room opposite the sacristy after morning Mass. This is a method of praying with the readings of the coming Sunday Mass. It lasts about 45 minutes.
- The Rosary is recited Monday to Friday at 5.10 pm.

All these prayer opportunities are open to everyone. ***No need to be invited, just come along***. We are all different and different methods of prayer can suit different people, but we should be open to new experiences of prayer for our own good.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We are invited to be ready for God always in our lives: his love and his call are present at every moment.

7th. August 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

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

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ…….

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Wisdom 18:6-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 32:1.12.18-20.22

R. Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. **(R)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **(R)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **(R)**

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.
(Shorter form 11:1-2.8-12)

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 12. 32 - 48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. ***(Shorter form in italics 12:35-40)***

**Jesus said to his disciples:* * 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns.

But as for the servant who says to himself,
"My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him, when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

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 ✠

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the communion in your Sacrament that we have consumed, save us, O Lord, and confirm us in the light of your truth. Through Christ our Lord.

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