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REMEMBERING OUR DEAD

One of the greatest signs of love is remembrance. We set time aside during November to remember and pray for our brothers and sisters who have died. We pray that they have passed from death to life in the company of the Risen Christ, the firstborn from the dead, whose love has overcome all things.

A special Mass for parishioners who died in the past three years will take place on Tuesday 15th November at 7.30pm. All are very welcome. This will be a significant occasion, as we have been unable to gather for this annual Mass since 2019. We will remember all our parishioners who have died during that time and offer the Lord's compassion and support to those suffering bereavement. If you would like to remember a loved one at this Mass, please leave their name in the sacristy.

The environment, the climate, and the Pope.

The Vatican has produced a film called "*The letter: A message for our earth*". It can be viewed on YouTube free of charge. It is the story of five characters who live on the margins of life but are deeply impacted by climate change but also far from the power centres of decision making, who are invited to Rome for a dialogue with Pope Francis.

It's a powerful film and it's hoped that it will be viewed by as many people as possible. It's free, it's interesting and it will challenge you. Try and find time to view it on **YouTube**.

PARISH MONTHLY CHARITY.

SPECIAL APPEAL: Following the recent visit by a group of parishioners to the Holy Land a genuine cause for support came to our attention.

In our parish we have Sisters of the Presentation and one of those sisters on the trip with us contacted a fellow Sister from Zimbabwe working in the field of refugees and asylum seekers. The story of her work was quite harrowing. The plight of the Palestinian people, the Bedouin people and asylum seekers in Israel is a story that when you hear, you could only say to the sister that Wilton parish is very good at supporting a cause that we can identify with.

A number of pictures showing the circumstances of the sister's work are placed at the money boxes in the walls of the church which give some feeling for the work of the sister. Let's give the work of this sister our financial support over the next month.

UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES

Sunday 13th November at 2.30pm – Blessing of the graves in Saint Finbarrs' Cemetery.
Tuesday 15th November at 7.30pm - Parish Memorial Bereavement Mass.

The Parish has constructed a Memorial Wall in the grounds beside the Parish Centre. People are invited to take a memorial cross from the basket at the altar and use the markers provided to write the name of the deceased person being remembered and take it and place it on the wall outside the church.

The lighting of candles on the cross in the church and the placing of crosses on the Memorial Wall are public and communal ways of expressing our faith and solidarity.

MERCY HOSPITAL CANCER APPEAL: We have concluded our appeal in support of the Mercy Hospital, and we will invite a representative to come and collect the amount of €2,500 soon. Again, a very generous support for a deserving cause. Thank you.

Last week, the parish welcomed the Superior General of the SMA Fathers, Antonio Porcellato (Italy) and one the Councillors, Krzysztof Pachut (Poland).

Fr. Krzysztof spoke at the Sunday masses, and he acknowledged and expressed his appreciation for the financial support the SMA Fathers in Poland have received from our parish. He was also given another €1,000 from donations from our parish, this brings the amount that our parish has raised in support of the Ukrainian refugees who are accommodated by the SMA Fathers in Poland to €20,000. Donations are still appreciated and can be placed in the wall at the back of the church beside the Ukrainian flag.



A very popular book in our parish for the past few years has been the Jesuit publication "**SACRED SPACE**" - the prayer book 2023. It's a good prayer companion for the coming year and it might be appreciated as a Christmas present for a friend who might be searching for a deeper relationship with God just now.

It is available at a discounted price of €12 from the **Mass Office**. The discount is possible from the proceeds of our Pastoral Fund collections.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

GREETING

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

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Malachi 3:19 - 20

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.



THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

World Day of the Poor

The end of time is a time of confidence when God will return to his people to call us home to him. 13th November 2022



The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 97:5 - 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R)

2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. (R)

3. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. (R)

SECOND READING 2 Thessalonians 3: 7 - 12

A reading from the 2nd letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 21: 5 - 19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

When some were talking about the Temple,



remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now - the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not so soon. 'Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

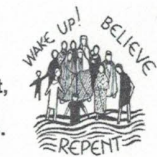
'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name - and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

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

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness.

Through Christ our Lord.

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.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

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

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,

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

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord.