



## St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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### Parish Charity for November

We conclude our support of the **Shine Green Ribbon Campaign** this weekend. From donations in the church and from the sale of books, we have collected to date **€1,347**. Thank you on behalf of Mental Health Ireland. For the month of November, we will support **The Rise and Shine Trust** (formally the Irish Pilgrimage Trust). The group raises funds to sponsor young people to go to Lourdes from Cork city and county each year. These young people have various additional needs and various volunteers accompany them and give them an experience of Lourdes. Each organizing group is tasked with raising €14,500 to pay for the young people. Let's see what we can do to help them during the month of November.

### Laurence Freeman.

Jesus says, "When you pray do not go babbling on like the Pagans who think the more they say, the more likely they are to be heard. Your Heavenly Father knows what you need before you ask". Babbling on – for most people, their experience of church is noise. Maybe a beautiful noise, maybe beautiful words, maybe beautiful music, but it is non-stop. From the minute the service begins till the minute it ends, it is wall-to-wall noise. And for many people who are urgently looking for some deeper contemplative experience, the church has very little to offer. Our worship can be beautiful, meaningful, but it is not contemplative in any very meaningful sense.

### November Parish Bereavements.

The list of our parish bereavements masses for the month of November is published on all notice boards in the Church and Parish Centre. Next Sunday at 2.30 p.m. (9<sup>th</sup> Nov) we gather at St. Finbarr's Cemetery to lead prayers for all who are buried in this cemetery.

### TAX BACK 2026.

All that is required is for a person to be paying tax and during the course of the year a person's financial contributions to the church exceeds €250. At the back of the church is a leaflet explaining the nature of the program. It would be appreciated if any member who fits the category of being a taxpayer would take the time and read this leaflet.

**Contributing €5 a week to your church is sufficient for a person paying tax to qualify and your church will benefit.**

### JOHN MAIN SEMINAR 2025.

The seminar is the major annual international event of the World Community for Christian Meditation. It honours and explores the vision and legacy of the Irish Benedictine Monk John Main. It takes place in Dublin from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> of November. The Parish is making plans to host the event by Zoom in our parish centre. The program details are published on notice boards in the church, below in the newsletter and in the Parish Centre. People wishing to attend should register their names with the Parish Centre, Monday to Thursday 9 a.m.- 11a.m. and Friday 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

## INTEGRAL CHRISTIANITY:

*The Vision of Celtic Christianity for the Crisis of the 21st Century*

JOHN MAIN SEMINAR LIVESTREAM

**6<sup>TH</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2025**

REGISTER AT THE SMA PARISH CENTRE, WILTON  
FEE: €20 – SPACES ARE LIMITED

*The seminar will be live streamed at the SMA Parish Centre, Wilton at the following times:*

#### THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2025

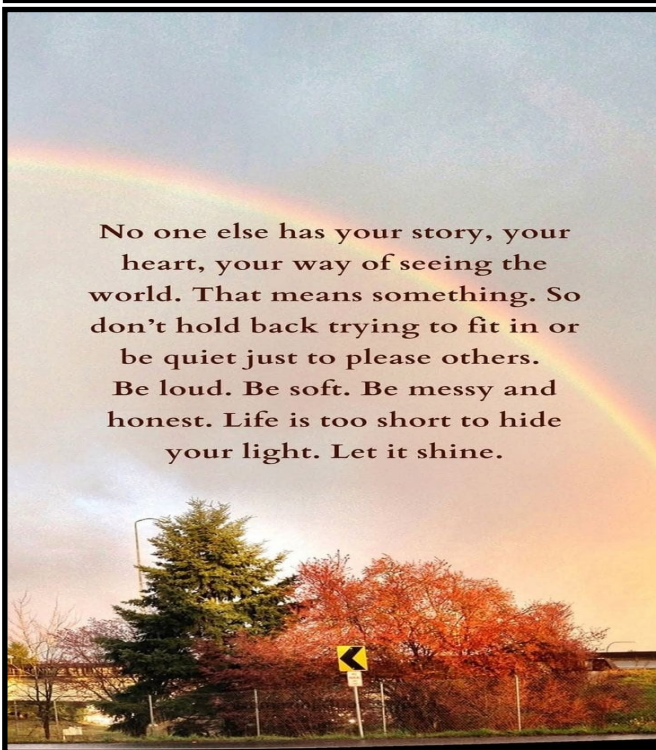
**10:45am** – Reflection on Silence with Abbot Columba  
**7:00pm** – Integral Christianity: Vision of Celtic Christianity for the Crisis of the 21st Century with Fr Laurence Freeman

#### FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2025

**10:45am** – The Book of Kells and the Myth of a Monastic Golden Age with Abbot Columba  
**2:00pm** – The Interplay between Power and Mission in the Celtic Tradition with Professor Jane Williams  
**4:00pm** – Celtic Monastic Poetry, Entanglement and the Cosmic Christ with Dr. John F. Dean

#### SATURDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2025

**10:45am** – The Voice of Balally Contemplative Parish with Fr. Jim Caffrey P.P., Cinzia Angius & Parishioners  
**2:30pm** – Synodal Gathering: The World Will Be Saved by Consciousness with Fr. Laurence Freeman & Dr. Barry White





## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Just as Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep; and as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

## PENITENTIAL ACT

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

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

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:

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

You bring light to those in darkness:

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

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

## OPENING PRAYER

Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord, and, as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened, so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants also find new strength.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

(The Gloria is omitted.)

## ✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

## FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6-9

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations; he will destroy Death forever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 26:1.4.7-9.13-14

**R. The Lord is my light and my help**

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?



## THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Today we remember those of our own family and friends who have gone from this life, the bright promise of eternal happiness with Jesus helps us to bear the sadness and loss we feel.

2nd November 2025



The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? (R)

2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (R)

3. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. (R)

4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R)

## SECOND READING Romans 5:5-11

*A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans*

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

It is my Father's will, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. Alleluia!



## GOSPEL

Luke 7:11-17

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke*

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hand on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up.' And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.' And this opinion of him spread throughout Judea and all over the countryside.

*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 favourably on our offerings, O Lord, so that your departed servants may be taken up into glory with your Son, in whose great mystery of love we are all united.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just.**

## AFTER THE CONSECRATION

*The mystery of faith.*

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

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord. Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant we pray, O Lord, that your departed servants, for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament, may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace.

## CONCLUDING RITE

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

May the God of all consolation bless you, for in his unfathomable goodness he created the human race, And in the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son he has given believers the hope of rising again. **Amen.**