



St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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Gospel.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A).

In the gospel, Jesus, as he so often does, turns worldly values upside down. "Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." Listening to and absorbing this Sunday's readings will enable us to free ourselves from this world's "gimme" spirit.

1. Honestly ask yourself: Am I caught up in the "gimme" net?

2. How can I implement the lesson of the readings in my life?

Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence.

Copies of Pope Leo's recent encyclical on *Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence* are on sale in the Mass Office. Price €8.

A summary of this booklet as found in The Tablet magazine is available in the Church. Please take and read.

Copies of the *Living Faith* for July, August and September are on sale in the Mass Office. Due to rising costs, the current cost is now €1.50.

Children's Room In Church.

We have installed a new television in Room 9, beside the sacristy, which enables parents with young children to view the Mass on weekends. If parents feel their children might be causing a disturbance in the church, we encourage them to make use of this facility.

Confessions.

TUESDAY and THURSDAY

4 TO 5 pm: Confession will be heard in the room opposite the sacristy.

Slow it down today

Even if just for a moment.

Take a break from the busyness of the week to simply be

To remind yourself that life is fragile and
is meant to be enjoyed.

Wiggle your fingers and toes.

Stretch your muscles, release that tension.

Look up to what is happening around you.

Quiet the inner chatter.

Feel the air fill your lungs with each breath.

Allow yourself a moment of peace,
a moment to just feel, to just breathe.

SMA Mass Office.

We now stock a large range of books, christening candles, rosary beads and grave ornaments.

NEW MONTHLY CHARITY.

This is our first request to assist a charity in South America. We have been contacted by a Cork Sister of the Little Sisters of Assumption who in her youth worked in South America and supported various charities there. The Rev. Sister, now in retirement, still has a desire to help these struggling charities and is reaching out for our support. To date we have collected **€950**. This amount includes money from the sale of books and CD's at the back of the church.

There are leaflets around the church giving some idea of the various charities being supported. Let's see what we can do to help!

The Wilton Ladies Knitting Group.

The Wilton Ladies Knitting Group proudly presents a collection of teddy bears lovingly knitted by its members for sick children in Cork and the surrounding areas. The teddies will be distributed by Blood Bike South to bring comfort and smiles to young patients.



SMA Folklore Project.

Interesting developments have been added to our website, www.smawilton.ie, by the SMA Folklore Project. These include the ability to click on the various videos highlighting the interesting folklore exhibitions they have compiled. An example of their latest video can be viewed by scanning the QR code below, recalling the many Cork slang expressions we are so familiar with but hardly notice ourselves using. Scan and enjoy!



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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**

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 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.....

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16

A reading from the 2nd book of the Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem,
a woman of rank who lived there pressed him
to stay and eat there. After this he always
broke his journey for a meal when he passed
that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I
am sure the man who is constantly passing
our way must be a holy man of God. Let us
build him a small room on the roof, and put
him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp;
whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Christ is no farther away than the people we meet every day. His cry for
help is heard in the needs of the poor, homeless, and those rejected by
society. Help us to hear and respond to His cry.

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One day when he came, he retired to the upper
room and lay down. 'What can be done for
her?' he asked. Gehazi his servant answered,
'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.'
Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her
and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,'
Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 88: 2-3. 16-19

R. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim
your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for
ever, that your truth is firmly established as
the heavens. **(R)**
2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king;
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their
bliss. **(R)**
3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of
their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One
of Israel. **(R)**

SECOND READING Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

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

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were
baptised in his death; in other words, when we
were baptised we went into the tomb with him
and joined him in death, so that as Christ was
raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we
too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we
shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know,
having been raised from the dead will never die
again. Death has no power over him any more.
When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so
his life now is life with God; and in that way, you
too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin
but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!



GOSPEL Matthew 10: 37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone
who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy
of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to
me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not
take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not
worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose
it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find
it.'

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and
those who welcome me welcome the one who
sent me.'

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he
is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and
anyone who welcomes a holy man because he
is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.
If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water
to one of these little ones because he is a
disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most
certainly not lose his reward.'

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 ✠

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.

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.**

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 peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

