

# St. Joseph's Church Wilton

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### **Quotes From Laudato Si**

Humanity is called to recognize the need for changes of lifestyle, production and consumption, in order to combat global warming or at least the human causes which produce or aggravate it. It is true there are other factors (such as volcanic activity, variations in the earth's orbit and axis, the solar cycle), yet the number of scientific studies indicate that most of global warming in recent decades is due to the great concentration of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrogen oxides and others) released mainly as a result of human activity.

It must be said that some committed and prayerful Christians, with the excuse of realism and pragmatism, tend to ridicule expressions of concern for the environment. Others are passive, they choose not to change their habits and thus become inconsistent. So, what they all need is an "ecological conversion", whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ becomes evident in their relationship with the world around them. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or secondary aspect of our Christian experience".

### **Gougane Sunday**

You are invited to Gougane Barra on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October to mark the feast of Saint Finbarr which should have taken place last Sunday but was postponed due to adverse weather conditions. Mass is at 3 pm preceded by the rosary at 2.30 pm. This year the Diocese will be launching the year of prayer, listening and discernment we plan for the future.

### **Gaza Appeal Fundraiser**

Wilton parish, as a response to the plight of the people of Gaza, undertook a fundraising appeal during our recent International Fun Day. It was fantastic to see the generous response of the local community and parishioners. In total, an amount of €8,000 was collected. During Mass at the weekend, a representative from Trócaire came from Dublin to accept the cheque.



Fr. Michael O'Leary SMA, presenting the cheque to Mr. Herve Bund from Trócaire.

Herve has spent the last 20 years of his life working on various projects for Trócaire in South America and Africa and currently works in the Trócaire office in Maynooth.



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Pope Francis to children in Singapore: "All religions are paths to reach God. They are—to make a comparison—like different languages, different dialects, to get there. But God is God for everyone. If you start to fight saying 'my religion is more important than yours, mine is true and yours isn't', where will this lead us? There is only one God, and each of us has a language to arrive at God. Some are Sheik, Muslim, Hindu, Christians; they are different ways to God."



## **Serve Flip Flop Appeal**

Our next charity is the Serve "Flip Flop" appeal organized by the Redemptorists' in Scala, Blackrock. We supported them a couple of years ago and they participated in our recent International Fun Day. They collect funds and encourage young people to undertake short term missionary projects.

I am happy to encourage this appeal as I met a young girl from our parish who just returned from a mission adventure with the group after hearing about the group when they visited the parish last time. You never know, something good could come out of the appeal again!

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

### GREETING

In the name of the Father ...... Amen.

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

### **PENITENTIAL ACT**

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

For we have sinned against you.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

And grant us your salvation.

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

Lord, have mercy. Lord

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

### 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,

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, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ......



### TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

God has created us to live in love with and for each other. We pray especially today for a strengthening in our society of the value of the bond of marriage and family. 6th October 2024

# FIRST READING Genesis 2: 18 - 24 A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 127 R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
   by the labour of your hands you shall eat.
   You will be happy and prosper.

  (R)
- Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R)
- 3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! (R)

# SECOND READING Hebrews 2: 9-11 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! As long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 10: 2-16

(or shorter form italics 10:2-12)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ or dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is quilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he

put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing. The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty: from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. 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

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. 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**

Though many, we are one bread, one body, for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.