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PLANNED GIVING (Weekly Envelope Collection): €2,304. Standing Orders for September amounted to €4,263 (172 contributors). Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks to those who recently completed Standing Order forms. Thanks also to the collectors.

To all our Parish Choirs and Musicians



The ministry of music is a special gift to our parish. To celebrate it we're hosting for our choirs and musicians

A DAY OF REFLECTION ON MUSIC MINISTRY

directed by *Giovanna & Ephrem Feeley*



- St Raphael's
- Next Saturday (20th) 10.30am — 4 pm
- Lunch included

Sunday 21st October: Exposition & Benediction of Blessed Sacrament from 4pm to 5.30pm, concluding with evening prayer of the Church and Benediction at 5.15pm.

Wednesday 17th October: St Joseph's Young Priests Society meeting, directly after the evening Mass at 7pm in the meeting room beside the Sacristy. New members welcome.

Croi Nua
 Beginning on 1st November, Wellsprings Centre, will host a new programme called Croi Nua written specially for the Irish Church. It consists of readings, reflection, prayer and ritual and is very much in touch with our Irish traditions and spirituality. This course is an ideal opportunity to explore your faith and will form a backdrop to Advent. Led by Sr Olive Cullen, and Lucy Higgins.
 Thursday nights - 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th November, 6th, 13th, 20th December.
 Booking online: www.wellspringscelbridge.com By phone 016288267/0866647608 Cost: €25/Concessions €20

Sacred Dance
 A course in Dance Meditation will take place in Wellsprings Centre on 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th November.
 Dancing in circles to beautiful and inspiring music can create a sense of community as well as offer moments of deep inner stillness and peace. Dancing circles are inclusive, enjoyable and uplifting!
 Previous dance experience is not necessary. If you always wanted to dance, here's your chance.
 Cost €10 per session/ Concessions €7
 Led by Sr Barbara Perry, CHF
 Contact details above.

Mass Times
St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge
 Saturday (Vigil) 6.30 pm
 Sunday: 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am (Family Mass) 12.30pm & 7pm.
Weekday Mass: 10am & 7pm
Holy Days: 7pm (vigil), 8am, 10am, 12noon, 7pm.
Bank Holidays: 11am.
Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass

Times
St Brigid's Church, Straffan
 Saturday (Vigil) 6pm.
 Sunday 11am.
Weekday Mass 9.15am.
Holy Days 10am.
Bank Holidays: 10am.
Confessions: Saturday after 6pm Mass

Baptisms:
St Patrick's Church: Sunday 2pm
St Brigid's Church: Last Sunday of the month at 12pm
Pre- Baptism meetings: To book contact the parish baptismal team 085 8519110.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament :
St Patrick's Church: Friday morning before 10am Mass 9am - 9.50am).
St. Brigid's Church Friday morning after 9.15am Mass.

Weekend Mass Intentions
St. Brigid's Church
Saturday 6pm Anne O'Hagan
Sunday
11am Jimmy, Christina, & Eugene Rowley.
St. Patrick's Church
Saturday
6.30pm Thomas Ferguson
Sunday
8.30am Fr. Kevin Steen
9.30am Aidan McDonnell
11am Michael & Maureen Donoghoe
 Frank & Peggy Browne
12.30pm Tom, Lena & Mary McHale
 Kay Cassidy
7pm Tom Geraghty, John Redmond.

Advance notice:
Blessing of the graves ceremony will take place **Sunday 4th November** at 12 noon in Straffan and at 3.30pm in Donaghcumper Cemetery, Celbridge.
"Service of Light" Mass for the parishioners who died in the last year, will be held on Tuesday 6th November at 7pm in St. Patrick's Church and in St. Brigid's Church on Monday 5th November at 7pm .

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church
Monday 15th 10am Paddy O'Callaghan **7pm** John Hanan
Tuesday 16th 10am Michael Murphy **7pm** William, Florence, Gerry & Hazel Pervis
Wednesday 17th 10am Ellen Fitzgerald **7pm** Carmel Brophy,
Thursday 18th 10am Liam Bermingham **7pm** Marie Buckley,
Friday 19th 10am Joseph Dominic Mahon **7pm** Ned & Gretta Murphy, Betty, Jim & Bridget Murphy, Rita Twomey.
Saturday 20th 10am Kitty Carton

Attendance at all Masses in the parish last week-end was 1,874

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised
 Charlie O'Shaughnessy, Lachlann Jellie & Dylan Ward.

The Priests of the Parish would like to thank all the parishioners who contributed to the Harvest offerings (Dues). The Harvest offerings play an important role in supporting the Priests of the parish.

The November Altar List of the Dead is available at the back of the Church. All the Masses on the first Friday's of each month are offered for the people listed.

Christian Mediation - The Way forward!
 An introduction to Christian Meditation. A six week course for existing members and complete beginners.
Venue: The Oratory, Celbridge Abbey, Clane Rd, Celbridge.
October 17th Don Devaney. **Topic :** The Trinity Within
 More information available from the posters at the back of the Church.

If you know an adult who would like to become a Catholic, the parish will be offering a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults starting soon. Sr. Olive will be co-ordinating. Please contact the parish office.



The *Year of Faith* provides the Church in Ireland with an ideal framework from which to build on the many graces of the Eucharistic Congress. At its heart is the programme of renewal set out in the texts of the Second Vatican Council. These texts, 'have lost nothing of their value or brilliance ... [for] there we find a sure compass by which to take our bearings in the century now beginning'. The *Year of Faith* invites us to read these documents afresh and rediscover their original energy and vision for the future. We are particularly encouraged to study and reflect on what are sometimes called the 'four true pillars' of the Council. Beginning with the life of Christ offered to us in the celebration of the sacred liturgy (cfr. Constitution, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*) and in His divine word (cfr. Dogmatic Constitution, *Dei Verbum*), we are encouraged to reflect on our communion with him and with one another in the Church (cfr. Dogmatic Constitution, *Lumen gentium*) and on its relationship with the contemporary world (cfr. Pastoral Constitution, *Gaudium et spes*). This inevitably turns our attention to 'one of the most important fruits' of the Council, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

A key objective of the *Year of Faith* is to see the *Catechism* more widely distributed and its contents made better known. It is important that we take up this challenge here in Ireland. On page after page, what is presented here is no theory, but an encounter with a Person who lives within the Church. The period since the Council has been marked by a welcome renewal in study and prayerful reflection on the Word of God. The *Year of Faith* invites us to rediscover the life of Christ as set forth in the *Catechism*. We are encouraged to know the reasons for the faith we have in a culture which sometimes presents the very basis of faith as irrational. We are invited to understand, celebrate, live and pray our faith as expressed in the 'four pillars' around which the *Catechism* is framed: the profession of faith, the liturgy and the sacraments, life in Christ and prayer. **More to follow next week.**