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PLANNED GIVING (Weekly Envelope Collection): This week's €1665. Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

The renovations of the Parish House and St. Eustace's Pastoral Centre is now nearly completed. Heartfelt thanks to parishioners who were able to support the project by way of a loan or donation.
 As the project draws to a close, if you were willing to lend the parish €500 for the two years, but have not yet forwarded the contribution, it would be greatly appreciated if the matter can be finalised by the end of July.
 Fr. Paul Taylor P.P.

The Hymn of the 50th International Eucharistic Congress
Though We Are Many
 Though we are many, we are one body, we who come to share this living bread,
 Cup of salvation, shared among all nations, nourishing us now and evermore.

- We gather in this place round the table of the Lord.
 Christ's presence is revealed in our communion and his Living Word.
- Now our communion recalls Christ's death and resurrection.
 This living sacrifice is our salvation now and evermore.

St Patricks Church Senior Choir would like to thank, the priests of the parish and Myles for all their support throughout the past musical year.
 Our final mass before the summer break will be at the end of July and our first mass when we return will be September 2nd at 12.30pm
 We are open to new members, so if you enjoy singing and would like to come along you will be made most welcome. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings in Scoil Brid from 8pm to 9.30pm.
 Our past year has been most successful, spiritually, musically and socially and we have been in a position to donate generous contributions to our charities through fundraising from our concerts, carol singing and cutting our second CD.
 We are already planning 2013.
 We wish Ciaran, Maria and members a deserved happy holiday and see you all in September.

Applications are invited for the position of **Choir Director for the Celbridge and Straffan Gospel Choir**. The position involves training and leading the enthusiastic members of the gospel choir who rehearse once a week and take part in the celebration of the Saturday vigil Mass in Celbridge and the first Sunday Mass in Straffan.
 Applications with a C.V. should be sent to the parish office by Friday 31st July 2012. Interviews will take place and position is remunerated.

CLOTHING APPEAL: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking your help in its Annual Clothing Appeal in this Parish. The society will collect the bags after all masses this week end. They would like to thank you all most sincerely on behalf of those you have helped.

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

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. Patrick's Church:
Saturday
 6.30pm Nellie Meade
Sunday
 8.30am Nan Molloy
 9.30 Special intention, John & Eileen Ferguson
 11am Paddy Kennedy
 12.30pm Anthony Fox
 7pm Kathleen Ward

Mom's Empty Chair
 A woman's daughter had asked the local priest to come and pray with her mother. When the priest arrived, he found the woman lying in bed with her head propped up on two pillows. An empty chair sat beside her bed. The priest assumed that the woman had been informed of his visit, I guess you were expecting me," he said. "No, who are you?" said the mother. The priest told her his name and then remarked, 'I saw the empty chair and figured you knew I was going to show up.' 'Oh yeah, the chair: said the woman. 'Would you mind closing the door?' Puzzled, the priest shut the door. 'I have never told anyone this, not even my daughter: said the woman. 'But all of my life I have never known how to pray. At church I used to hear the priest talk about prayer, but it went right over my head. I abandoned any attempt at prayer,' the old woman continued, 'until one day four years ago, my best friend said to me, prayer is just a simple matter of having a conversation with Jesus. Here is what I suggest. Sit down in a chair; place an empty chair in front of you, and in faith see Jesus on the chair. Remember he promised: "I will be with you always."
 'Then just speak to him in the same way you're doing with me right now.' 'So, I tried it and I've liked it so much that I do it a couple of hours every day.' The priest was deeply moved by the story and encouraged the old woman to continue on the journey. Then he prayed with her, anointed her with oil, and returned to the church.
 Two nights later her daughter called to tell the priest that her mother had died that afternoon 'Did she die in peace' he asked. Yes before I left the house, she called me over to her bedside, told me she loved me and kissed me on the cheek. When I got back an hour later, I found her. But there was something strange about her death. Apparently, just before mom died, she leaned over and rested her head on the chair beside the bed.' 'What do you make of that?' The priest wiped a tear from his eye and said, 'I wish we could all go like that'.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church
Monday 23rd 10am David & Josephine O'Sullivan 7pm Gerard Fleming
Tuesday 24th 10am Special intention 7pm Rosalind Hughes
Wednesday 25th 10am Georgina O'Brien 7pm Andrew Smith
Thursday 26th 10am Special intention 7pm Patricia Masterson
Friday 27th 10am Dick Keating 7pm P.J.Gallagher
Saturday 28th 10am Ellen & William Quinlan

Recently Deceased.
 Please remember in your prayers:
Gerard Fleming whose funeral took place on Tuesday 17th. We offer our sympathy to wife Angela, sons Gary and David.
Ann Kirwan whose funeral took place on Wednesday 18th, died in the Glenashling Nursing home. We offer our sympathy and prayers to husband Frank and her two sons.
Richard (Dick) Keating (Dara Court) whose funeral took place on Thursday 19th beloved husband of Sally, dear father of Mandy and Richard. We offer our sympathy and prayers.
Anthony Talbot whose funeral took place on Friday 20th in Peamount Hospital . We offer our sympathy and prayers to his sister Josie (Sacristan in Straffan Church) and all his family.

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised:
 Aoibh Ellis, Rachel Kiely, Fionn Mulvey and Aodhán O'Toole.

Children's Corner

 A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Mass As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" While she was running and praying, she tripped, and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late...But please don't knock me either ! "

WHERE YOUR MONEY
THIS MONEY GOES TO PAY THE SALARIES OF THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH
COLLECTION 1 PRIESTS IN POORER PARISH
 PRIESTS IN NON INCOME-EARNING APPOINTMENTS
 Priests on study leave, Priests who are ill or retired

COLLECTION 2 SHARE
 DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT , POORER PARISHES, PARISH PROJECTS

PLANNED GIVING
ENVELOPES / STANDING ORDERS THIS MONEY IS THE MAJOR SOURCE OF INCOME FOR:
 PARISH EXPENSES/ SALARIES/ MAINTENANCE/ DEVELOPMENT

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS PRIESTS OF THE PARISH/ DIOCESE/
 PARISH MAINTENANCE AND DEVELOPMENT