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Weekly Envelope Collection: (Planned Giving) €1,552. Your continued support is very much appreciated.
 Thanks also to the collectors.

Diversity of Patronage

The Minister for Education and Skills, Ruairi Quinn TD wants to hear your views on what type of primary school you would like your children to attend.

What is this all about? The vast majority (96%) of primary schools in Ireland are owned and under the patronage of religious denominations and approximately 90% of these schools are owned and under the patronage of the Catholic Church.

We all know that Irish Society has changed a lot in recent years. There are now families of many different nationalities, religions and beliefs living here. Our education system therefore needs to adapt to ensure that there is respect for all the different traditions and religions from which pupils come.

The first step in this process involves asking all the parents/guardians of all children aged 0-12 years in this area to tell us what type of school they would like their children to attend. The intention is to identify the level of demand from parents/guardians for a wider choice of school type in areas where that choice is currently limited. The responses of parents/guardians will be used to consider what changes, if any, could be made to widen the choice of primary schools in these areas.

With this in mind, your views on the patronage of schools in **your** area are now invited. An online survey is available on the Department of Education & Skills website at www.education.ie. To access you need your PPS number. The survey contains links to explanations on what patronage means and information on each of the possible alternative forms of patronage available. Should you experience any difficulty in completing the survey or in understanding what is being asked, you can contact a helpline for assistance at free-phone number 1 800 303-621 will be open 9.30am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday.

The ANNUAL COLLECTION of ACCORD, The Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of **2nd and 3rd February 2013**

The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection. ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers:

- Marriage Preparation Courses, Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships. A Relationship and Sexuality Programme in Schools. Accord needs your support

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY NEXT WEEKEND

LOVE IS IN THE AIR ...

Blessing Ceremony for married couples



All married couples who celebrate a significant wedding anniversary (1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, ...) during 2013 are welcomed to join for a special Mass of celebration at 7pm on Friday 15th February 2013.

Please leave your name, a contact number and the number of years you are married in the parish office or in the sacristy.

More information call Christina Malone 085 8519110.

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, 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. Brigid's Church

Saturday
 6pm Edward, Mary, Bernadette Coyne

Sunday
 11am Thomas and Gertie Cribbin

St. Patrick's Church

Saturday
 6.30 pm Bernard Hill, Rosemary Tuite

Sunday
 8.30am Marie Murphy
 9.30am Mary Stamper
 11am James Greene
 12.30pm Frances Fitzharris, Seamus Young,
 4pm Filipino Community
 7pm Joseph, Michael & Oliver Foley.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 28th 10am Joe McCormack **7pm** Kathleen Murphy,
Tues 29th 10am Hubert Feehan **7pm** Elizabeth Darlington,
Wed 30th 10am James Mangan **7pm** Kathleen Gaffney,
Thur 31st 10am Barbara Listive, Amy King, Anne Webb & Youlanda Pervis,
7pm Francis & Patricia Lee & deceased family
Fri 1st 10am & 7pm Altar List of the Dead,
Sat 2nd 10am Patrick Dempsey.


Advance Notice

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will take place next Saturday 2nd February after the 10am morning Mass.

Exposition & Benediction of Blessed Sacrament will begin on Wednesday 13th February at 7.30- 8.30pm concluding with evening prayer of the Church and

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised:
 Patricia and Victoria Wolyniec, Chloe Ohainaut,
 Matthew Shaw & Damian Burke.

Congratulations.



Wellsprings Lenten Programme

Monday mornings 10.45am cuppa followed by 30 minutes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Tuesdays evenings 7.45 p.m. **A series of 5 talks for Lent**, beginning Tuesday 19th February.

this is a Year of Faith initiative. See Wellsprings brochure or visit
www.wellspringfscelbridge.com Cost €20 for five nights or €5 per night.

Friday 15th February 8.00 p.m. **Lenten Prayer around the Cross.**

Monday 25th March 8pm **Meditation on the Stations of the Cross.**

A reflection on the Stations of the Cross through images and music
 Presented by Fr. Brian McKittrick C.C.

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) will take place from Sunday, 27 January to 3 February 2013. The theme for CSW 2013 is 'Catholic Schools in the Community of Faith, Sharing the Good News'.

Resources
www.education.dublindiocese.ie

Date For Your Diaries!

The Annual Spring Ball shall take place on Friday 12th of April, in Barberstown Castle.
 More details to come.

ENROLMENT FOR SEPT 2013 will take place in the following schools on 6th & 7th FEBRUARY from 10.00am - 1.00pm.
Scoil Bríd, Scoil Ná Mainistreach, Scoil Mochua, St. Patrick's. Please bring the following Documentation with you:
 Birth Certificate
 Baptismal Certificate
 Child's PPS No.
 Current Utility Bill
Scoil Bhríde Straffan enrolment takes place on Friday 1st Feb 9.30am - 11am

Baptismal Certs: If your child was baptised in our parish and you require a baptismal cert please text your name, the name of the child and their date of birth to 0857021882. The baptismal cert can then be collected from the sacristy of the Church within 3 working days. Sacristy opening hours are 10am -1pm each day except Wednesday (closed Wednesday).

St Brigid of Kildare also known as Muire na nGael or Mary of the Gael which means Our Lady of the Irish .
 Her feast day is 1st February, celebrated as St Brigid's Day which is the first day of Spring in Ireland .
 She was born in Co. Louth. She spend her life working for God by looking after poor, sick and elderly people. She entered the convent at eighteen . Brigid founded many convents all over Ireland; the most famous one was in Co. Kildare. It is said that this convent was built beside an oak tree where the town of Kildare now stands. St. Brigid died in AD 525 at the age of 75 and was buried in a tomb before the High Altar of her Abbey Church. After some time, her remains were exhumed and transferred to Downpatrick Making a St. Brigid's cross is one of the traditional rituals in Ireland to celebrate the beginning of early spring,

