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Weekly Envelope Collection: (Planned Giving) €3,147. Your continued support is very much appreciated.
 Thanks also to the collectors.
 The Planned Giving Envelopes for the New Year have now been circulated. If you have not yet received your box or, if you do not already have a box and would like to support your parish, please text your name & address to 085 7021882. A standing order may also be used. Receipts will be issued in Jan 2013 to all those who contributed more than €250 in the year to 30/11/2012.

An Apostolic letter from Pope Benedict XVI
called Porta Fidei
Continued from last week's leaflet
 The renewal of the Church is also achieved through the witness offered by the lives of believers: by their very existence in the world, Christians are called to radiate the word of truth that the Lord Jesus has left us. The Council itself, in the Dogmatic Constitution *Lumen Gentium*, said this: While "Christ, 'holy, innocent and undefiled' (Heb 7:26) knew nothing of sin (cf. 2 Cor 5:21), but came only to expiate the sins of the people (cf. Heb 2:17)... the Church ... clasping sinners to its bosom, at once holy and always in need of purification, follows constantly the path of penance and renewal. The Church, 'like a stranger in a foreign land, presses forward amid the persecutions of the world and the consolations of God', announcing the cross and death of the Lord until he comes (cf. 1 Cor 11:26). But by the power of the risen Lord it is given strength to overcome, in patience and in love, its sorrow and its difficulties, both those that are from within and those that are from without, so that it may reveal in the world, faithfully, although with shadows, the mystery of its Lord until, in the end, it shall be manifested in full light."
 Continued next week.

Please take note
 7pm Mass on Sunday 23rd Dec will be at **4pm** to facilitate the Liam Lawton's Concert later that evening.
8th December: The Feast of Immaculate Conception **St. Patrick's Church** there will be **NO Mass at 12 midday**. Masses will be at 7pm Friday (vigil) Saturday 8th, 8am 10am and the evening Mass will be 6.30pm (Vigil Saturday).
St. Brigid's Church Mass will be 10am on the 8th December There will be no vigil Mass on the Friday evening but the normal evening Vigil Mass will take place on Saturday evening at 6pm.

St Vincent De Paul
The Christmas Appeal is upon us again, and will take place on **the weekend of the 8th / 9th December**. The monthly collection **will not take** place this weekend.
 I would firstly like to thank you for your support and co-operation over the past number of years. The success of our continuing appeal is in no small measure due to your assistance and support. The Society also values deeply the support of the Parish clergy for the monthly collections throughout the Diocese.
 The Share Collection will be replaced by the annual collection for the St Vincent De Paul Society on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th December. It is probably unnecessary to reiterate that a successful Christmas Church Collection is vital in enabling us to expand our programmes of assistance to those in need.
 On behalf of the members of the Society, I offer you our sincere thanks for your continue support.

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 John and Maureen Hanam
Sunday
11am Rose and John Feeney
St. Patrick's Church
Saturday
6.30pm John Keegan
Sunday
8.30am Eileen Ferguson
9.30am Kathleen Ward
11am Paul Darlington
12.30pm Thomas & Rose O'Hea Bertie McCloskey
7pm Derry Farrell.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church
Monday 3rd 10am Dick, Annie & Paddy Bolger & Brendan Hannigan **7pm** Michael Quinlan
Tuesday 4th 10am Deceased Doyle & Moynihan families **7pm** Special intention
Wednesday 5th 10am Patrick Byrne **7pm** Patrick, Elizabeth, Ned, Tom & Peter Kelly & deceased Kellys,
Thursday 6th 10am Thomas Shanahan **7pm** Elizabeth Maher, Michael Cotter,
Friday 7th 10am & 7pm Altar List of the Dead,
Saturday 8th Feast of the Immaculate Conception
8am John Mulroy, **10am** James Teague, Ellen Meade.


"Remembering a loved one at Christmas" in aid of **St. Brigid's Hospice Kildare**.
 Please support our fundraising event by sponsoring a Light in Memory of a deceased loved one this Christmas. Pick up a special envelope at the back of the church. Envelopes can be placed in the church collection baskets at all Masses until Sunday 9th of December, or in the drop-box in Celbridge Credit Union.
 A Lighting of the Tree Remembrance Service & Carol singing will take place in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday the 9th of December at 5pm. You can also donate online at <http://www.mycharity.ie/event/rememberingalovedone2012>

Christmas Mass Intentions
Christmas Cards: A novena of Masses (9 Masses) will be offered on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day for the intention of those named on the special Mass cards. Each Mass card cost €5 and can be purchased in the parish office or in the sacristy after Mass
 When purchasing the card please give the name of the person for the intention.

St. Brigid's Church
 A collection will take place after Masses this weekend which will go towards the cost of flowers for the Church over the Christmas period and beyond. Your contribution is appreciated. Thank you

Christmas Fair in aid of the ACRE Project
 Saturday/Sunday 15th -16th December – Salesian College
 Items being sought for stalls: books, CDs, bric-a-brac, spot prizes for raffle, etc. Items can be left at the Salesian College during school hours.
 Also, would you be interested in helping as a volunteer on either day 1-5 pm.?
 Contact Michael Leyden 086 608 9652


Together is better




A new Mother (Father) & Toddler (Baby) group
support – fun – helping – informative – sharing

Wednesdays 10.45am – 12.15pm in the St. Eustace Centre (parish centre)

If interested please contact Christina Malone, Parish Pastoral Worker 085 85 19110



DVD on
"The History of Celbridge"
 by Tony Doohan
 on sale after all Masses this weekend. It could be an ideal Christmas present.



Liam Lawton Concert
in St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge
 Sunday December 23rd
 Doors open 7.30pm Concert at 8pm
 Special Guests Mary Flynn (Soprano) and Denise Kelly (Harpist)
Tickets €20 available in the parish office.

Advent at Wellsprings
Waiting with Mary
 A time of quiet prayer, readings and reflection
 Tuesday mornings 10.45 a.m. - 12.00 noon
 December 4th, 11th, 18th Cost €10
Celebrating the O Antiphons
 An evening of music reflection and prayer
 December, 18th 8p.m.
 Led by Sr Moira Bergin, rsm
 National Centre for Liturgy