



PLANNED GIVING (Weekly Envelope Collection): This week's €1,111. Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

Pope Benedict XVI has announced that the Catholic Church will be having a "Year of Faith" which will begin in October 2012, the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council in 1962.

"It will be a moment of grace and commitment to a more complete conversion to God, to strengthen our faith in Him and proclaim Him with joy to the people of our time," said the Pope, making his announcement at St. Peter's Basilica.

The Year of Faith will run from October 11, 2012, until November 24, 2013, which is the Solemnity of Christ the King. In the past in Ireland there was strong social support for living the faith as Catholics, but as we know that the situation is now changed. It is increasingly important that as Catholics we know what we believe, but also why we believe it.

What areas of your faith would you like to understand better.?

We would appreciate any suggestions parishioners might have about suitable areas for reflection and deepening your understanding of our faith.

If you have any ideas on this matter please write them down and return them to me at the parish office or sacristy.

Fr. Paul & the parish team.

We welcome back **Fr. James Cullen** who was ordained as a Priest in June in Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. Fr. James was with us as a Deacon during his studies in Maynooth.

He will celebrate his first Mass here, on Saturday 11th August at 6.30pm and the Parish Folk Choir will supply the music for the liturgy.

The parish office will be closed from the 6th until the 20th Aug to facilitate annual leave.

If you need to make contact urgently please ring Fr. Taylor on 6275874 or Myles, the Sacristan on 6275942.

Thanks.

We welcome into our faith community

the children recently baptised:
Aibhe Rowan, Iris McCartan, Katie Monahan, Lily Diffney, Sadbh Cuirran, Cian Heaslip, Maeve Imperial, Adam and Bethany McGrath and Luca and Aine Clarke



Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm John and Maureen Hannan

Sunday 11am Pat and Margaret Collins

St. Patrick's Church:

Saturday

6.30pm Deceased members of the Cotter and McCormack families, & most recently deceased Joan, Josie, Jacinta, and Michael who's birthday it is today.

Sunday

8.30am Mary Bermingham

9.30am Robert Dredge

11am Michael, Bessie & Jane Farrell

12.30pm Marion O'Connor

7pm John Keegan.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Monday 6th 10am Edith Stirling **7pm** Eamon Kennard

Tuesday 7th 10am Susan Teague **7pm** Dick Keating

Wednesday 8th 10am Tommy Kelly **7pm** Kieran Joyce

Thursday 9th 10am Tadhg Doyle **7pm** Patricia & Francis Lee and deceased family

Friday 10th 10am Special intention **7pm** James & Thomas Sheil

Saturday 11th 10am Paddy Kennedy

New Straffan Choir

We are recruiting for our choir in Straffan to commence in September, should you be interested in joining us please contact Brigid McCormack on 0877669202.

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.

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

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg

Monday 13th August -Wednesday 15th

Closing three day pilgrimage to Lough Derg from Monday 13th August to the Feast of the Assumption 15th August.

To book a seat contact Michael Sammon @ 0876697902, or email michael.sammon@gmail.com

Altar Servers

We thank our great team of Altar Servers both in Celbridge and Straffan for their commitment and dedication to serving at Mass and attending the practises and enriching the liturgy with their presence.

There will be a new intake of servers starting September. If you would like to become an Altar Server the application form for the parents to complete can be got by contacting the parish office on 01 6288827.

Wanted Glee Dance Instructor

Glee Dance Group based at the Celbridge Community Centre require a Glee dance instructor for Monday evening classes for an established group based at the Mill.

If interested please contact The Manager @ 01 6288556 / email celbridgemillcommunitycentre@eircom.net

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.

Parish Team

Fr. Paul Taylor P.P. tel 6275874

Fr. Kevin Doherty C.C. tel: 5031429

Fr. Brian McKittrick C.C. tel: 6274971

Fr. Douglas Zaggi P.C. tel: 6012303

Christina Malone Parish Pastoral Worker

Parish Office

01 6288827 Office hours Mon - Fri 9am - 3.30pm.

Sacristy

01 6275942 (Closed Wednesday) 10am -1pm

Information about Baptisms please ring 085 8519110

email celbridgeparishoffice@gmail.com

Parish website: www.celstra.ie