



# The Catholic Parish of Celbridge and Straffan



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### An Appeal for Help - Half way there!

So far €30,000 has been given to the parish to help with the cost of the refurbishment of the Eustace Centre and the Parochial House. Work is progressing well. I would like to thank the parishioners who were able to lend the €500 to the parish for the next two years.

I also thank those who have been able to make a donation to the project.

If you can help our parish by way of a special donation or the €500 loan I would be delighted to hear from you. I thank you for considering this request.

If you can help, please contact the parish office and make the cheque payable to St. Patrick's Parish, Celbridge.

Fr. Paul Taylor P.P.

### PLANNED GIVING: (weekly envelope collection) €1,364.

Your continued support is very much appreciated.  
Thanks also to the collectors.

**Found:** Ring in Tesco Car Park on  
Thursday 5th April 2012  
Phone 087 6835069

**Care to Drive** is a volunteer transport programme run by the Irish Cancer Society. We recruit and train volunteers to drive patients to and from their hospital appointments. We are currently looking for people in your area to drive patients to and from Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown, the Mater and/or St. James' Hospital. The service is free to both the hospital and the patient with the Irish Cancer Society incurring all costs. Volunteers are paid for all their fuel expenses. We are asking for volunteers to commit to driving 2 days a month (Mon-Fri). For more information call Gail on 01 2310 566 or email [gflinter@irishcancer.ie](mailto:gflinter@irishcancer.ie).

**We welcome into our faith community** Holly Maher, Joseph Curley, Donnacha McMahon, Angelina Donnelly, Adam Walsh and Molly O'Brien Mangan.  
**Congratulations.**



**Divine Mercy Sunday** is celebrated today (a feast initiated by Pope John Paul). Sister Mary Faustina, consumed by tuberculosis and by innumerable sufferings died in Krakow at the age of just thirty three on October 5, 1938 with a reputation for spiritual maturity and a mystical union with God. The reputation of the holiness of her life grew as did the devotion to the Divine Mercy and the graces she obtained from God through her intercession. Beatified in 1993 she was canonised by John Paul II in 2000. He designated the first Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday.

The feast day will be celebrated in our parish with a special Mass and veneration of St. Faustina's Relic at 3.30pm in St. Patrick's Church.

### 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 & 7.30pm  
**Holy Days:** 7.30pm (vigil), 8am, 10am, 12noon, 7.30pm.  
**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.** Terence Morrissey  
**Sunday 11am** James Donovan

#### St. Patrick's Church:

**Saturday 6.30pm.** Brendan O'Shaughnessy,  
**Sunday**  
**8.30am** Thomas, Bridget and George Myles  
**9.30am** Peg Lenihan  
**11am** Jane Moynihan  
**12.30** Kathleen and George Leech, Anne Quill  
**7pm** Annie Carbury.

### My Dear People and Priests

'Share the Good News/ is the title of the National Directory for Catechesis in Ireland. The title names the Mission of the Church. The Directory sets out the priorities for the Church in Ireland at this time/ as it journeys on the path of renewal and seeks to respond adequately to situation of the Church and the challenges of contemporary culture in Ireland.

On this Sunday I wish to gratefully acknowledge the continued generosity of the lay faithful in Dublin in sharing your financial resources for the provision of facilities and services for mission and pastoral care throughout the archdiocese. Last year you contributed €6,914,034 to Share at the second collection at Masses. Share also received bequests and donations of €543,067. I thank you for your contributions and for bequests and donations. I ask your continued generous giving as the needs are growing and contributions declined by 3.1 %.

I also wish to thank the priests, parish councils and parish finance committees for your attendance at the area meetings on Mission and Finance late last year, for the responses I received from you and for your continued engagement in addressing the questions raised at those meetings.

Sharing the Good News/ making Jesus known and loved, requires a communion of believers, 'united heart and soul', giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and the sharing of our financial resources/ as we heard in the first reading of today's Mass. Increased financial resources are required for the shared task ahead of us in building up the Church in our parishes and throughout our Diocese. New challenges require a new response.

Your support for the Share Collection is itself a vibrant expression of 'Communion with Christ and with One Another' within the family of the Archdiocese. The International Eucharistic Congress which will take place in our Diocese from the 10th - 17th of June is a wonderful opportunity to deepen and celebrate this communion.

The challenge is great. The call on our generosity is great. Our hope and trust is in the Lord who, as our Gospel has reminded us, is with us and has empowered us with his Holy Spirit. In our communion in Christ and with one another, my thanks for your generous sharing.

+ Diarmuid Martin  
Archbishop of Dublin.

### Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

**Mon 16th 10am** James Kirby **7.30pm** Margaret and Kevin Kilgarriff.  
**Tue 17th 10am** Special intention **7.30pm** James, Bridget and Helen Doyle  
**Wed 18th 10am** Special intention, **7.30** Madeleine Maguire,  
**Thur 19th 10am** Special intention, **7.30 pm** Mary Lynch,  
**Fri 20th 10am** Special intention **7.30pm** Theresa Egan Tommy Butler  
**Sat 21st 10am** Cleary and O'Brien families

**The Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage** will take place from 18th Aug and returning on 23rd Aug (5 nights). Staying at the Hotel Solitude, the all in cost is €699 per person sharing and there is a single supplement of €30 per night per single room. The cost can be paid weekly/monthly from now until Fri 03 Aug 12. The fare includes full board, travel insurance and coach links from/ to the airport in Lourdes. We will be accompanied by Fr. Paul Taylor P.P. as Spiritual Director.

**Further details** from Liam at 086 0487010.

### 50th International Eucharistic Congress

#### Tickets for Final mass Sunday 17th June 2012 in Croke Park

Anyone wishing to go to the final Mass must complete an application available in the Sacristy and return

Each completed form must be accompanied with the €10 fee. Only 74 tickets left. Tickets will be allocated on a first come basis.

### BLOOD DONORS NEEDED IN CELBRIDGE

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board's mobile unit team will be at St. Raphaels, Celbridge on Wednesday 9th May 2012 from 5.00pm to 8.30pm.

Some 3000 units (pints) of blood are needed overall each week to cater for emergency and routine cases requiring transfusions of blood and blood products in hospitals all over the country. Blood donors are especially needed, at this time, to meet the needs of those who are depending on the resources of the transfusion service to be available to them. If you want any further information about giving blood you can contact the donor services department of the transfusion service in advance of this or indeed any mobile unit donor clinic on 1 850 731 137 or log on to the IBTS Web site [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie) . any further information from: Aisling O'Brien, Area Organiser Tel: 01 4322996

### STEWARTS CARE, PALMERSTOWN OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 27TH MAY 2012  
WE WOULD APPRECIATE BRIC-A-BRAC BOOKS JEWELLERY CD DVDS  
ITEMS FOR WHEEL OF FORTUNE  
PLEASE LEAVE AT RECEPTION AT STEWARTS  
\*\*\*\*NO FURNITURE, CLOTHES OR OLD ELECTRICAL ITEMS\*\*\*\*

**Trocaire Boxes:** Please return to the sacristy. Thank you.

Copies of the Share Newsletter is available at the back of the Church.