



# The Catholic Parish of Celbridge and Straffan



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### PLANNED GIVING

Weekly Envelope Collection: €1,374. Standing Orders for December were €3,840 (157 paying by Standing Order). Thanks to those who recently completed Standing Order forms. Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The week of prayer for Christian Unity begins on the 18th January . The Christian Unity prayer service for Celbridge and Straffan will take place in St Brigid's Church Straffan on Wednesday 25th at 8pm. It is an important opportunity for us to gather with our fellow Christians from the Church of Ireland to pray and rededicate ourselves to the task of building unity.

**Christmas Dues :** Thanks to all parishioners who have returned the Christmas Dues envelopes. The financial support of the priests of the parish is deeply appreciated especially in these difficult times.  
**THANK YOU.**

At the sign of Peace we strongly encourage you not to shake hands but rather to bow to your neighbour as a gesture of peace. This is recommended in order to minimise the transmission of infection.

**Do this in Memory"** Masses for the Children preparing for First Eucharist will take place next week end.

**St. Patrick's Church**  
Saturday 14th 6.30pm - Scoil Na Mainistreach  
Sunday 15th 9.30am - Scoil Brid  
Sunday 15th 11am - Scoil Mochua  
Sunday 15th 7pm - St Patrick's and the Children's Ark  
**Straffan Church**  
Sunday 15th 11am St. Brigid's School Straffan and the Glebe.

### Mass Times

**St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge**  
Saturday (Vigil) 6.30 pm,  
Sunday: 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am, 12.30pm & 7pm.  
**Weekday Mass:** 10am & 7.30pm  
**Holy Days:** 8am,10am,12am,7.30pm.  
**Bank Holidays:** 11am  
**Confessions:** Saturday 10.30am.

### 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

**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 pastoral worker Christina 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.

A **New Year's resolution** is a commitment that a person makes to one or more personal goals, or reforming of a habit. Keep in mind that this is a goal, not a wish and should be something that you as a person could strive for.

### A little list of resolutions of things not to do:

- ⇒ Jumping to conclusions
- ⇒ Flying off the handle
- ⇒ Dodging responsibilities
- ⇒ Bending the rules
- ⇒ Running down everything
- ⇒ Circulating rumours
- ⇒ Passing the buck
- ⇒ Stirring up trouble
- ⇒ Digging up dirt
- ⇒ Slinging mud
- ⇒ Throwing your weight around
- ⇒ Beating the system
- ⇒ Pushing our luck **Happy New Year Everyone**

### Weekend Mass Intentions:

#### St Brigid's Church:

##### Saturday

6pm(vigil) Patrick and Bridget Cambell and their son Patrick.

##### Sunday

11am Pat Doyle.

#### St. Patrick's Church:

##### Saturday

6.30pm Catherine Bell,

##### Sunday

8.30am: Bill Blake,

10am (Radio Mass) Elizabeth and Louis Maher,

11.15am Bridie and Jack Smyth,

12.30pm John Corbett,

7pm Kenneth and Marcella O'Connor.

### Weekday Mass Intentions

**Mon 9th 10am** Mary Norris (Carroll), **7.30pm** Michael Cotter,

**Tues 10th 10am** Gay Boylan, **7.30pm** P.J.O'Sullivan,

**Wed 11th 10am** for those who sympathised on the death of Eugene O'Sullivan,

**7.30pm** Tony Connolly,

**Thur 12th 10am** Russell Wills, **7.30pm** Nellie Meade,

**Frid 13th 10am** Eileen Ferguson, **7.30pm** Philip Wright (Month's Mind),

**Sat 14th 10am** Nancy Murray.

### We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised:

Tomás O'Neill, Jonathan Gillard, Callum Naughton, Adam Rafferty, Noah Buckley and John Ingle.



### Visitation of the Sick

If you or a family member are housebound, unable to come to Mass, and wish to receive Holy Communion, a Minister of the Eucharist will call to your home. Please contact: Parish office 01 6288827.

### Children's Choir

Thanks to the Children's Choir for their dedication and hard work practising for and singing at, the televised Mass on Christmas Day and for the radio Mass on the 1st January.

**The special blessing ceremony** for all the children, who have been baptized in 2011, will be celebrated today Sunday the 8th January @3pm.

Cumann Gaelach na hEaglaise + Pobal an Aifrinn

### Seachtain na h-Aontachta Criostai 2012

De hAoine 20 Eanáir 2012 ag 8:00 i.n.

### in Ardteampall Chríost

Beidh seirbhís idir-Eaglasta

paidreoireachta agus ceoil i

nGaeilge, leis an teideal

"Buiochas le Dia a dheineann claochlú orainn

trí bua ár dTiarna Íosa Críost",

( 1 Cor. 15:51-58)

Seanmóirí

An tAthair Alan Mac Eochagáin S.J.

### "Remembering a loved one at Christmas"

in aid of St. Brigid's Hospice Kildare & West Wicklow. The fundraising event on the 4th of December was a great success and raised a fantastic €4415. On behalf of St. Brigid's Hospice, we would like to sincerely thank all those who supported the fundraising event for the hospice. Your kind generosity is hugely appreciated. We wish you a very Happy New Year. [www.mycharity.ie/event/rememberingalovedone](http://www.mycharity.ie/event/rememberingalovedone)

### Upcoming Events:

**Sunday 15th January** Exposition & Benediction of Blessed Sacrament, third Sunday from 4pm to 5.30pm, concluding with evening prayer of the Church and Benediction at 5.15pm,

**Wednesday 18th January** St Joseph's Young Priests Society meeting, directly after the 7.30pm Mass in the meeting room beside the Sacristy, **New members very welcome.**

### Children's Corner

When we were baptised we became part of **GOD'S FAMILY**.

God's family is called the **CHURCH**.

Everybody in our Big Family (the Church family)

has got a special talent or 'a **GIFT**'.

Some are good at football, or Art, or Music.

Some are good at being kind, or helpful, or loving.



There are plenty of other 'gifts'. Everyone has a 'GIFT' (or more). **What is YOUR GIFT?**