



The Catholic Parish  
of  
Celbridge  
and  
Straffan



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**PLANNED GIVING:** (weekly envelope collection) €1,550. Thanks to all the contributors and collectors.

**“THE TIMES THEY ARE A CHANGIN”**

In order to facilitate easy parking at Sunday Masses, as of the 1st September the Mass times are changing as follows.

**St. Patrick's Church.** Saturday evening (Vigil) 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am, 12.30pm, 7pm.

The weekday Masses 10am, 7.30pm. ( 7.30pm in order to allow people time to get home from work).

St Brigid's Church Straffan. No change week end Masses.

Weekday morning Mass 9.15am

**Tablet magazine** leading international Catholic journal which offers an overview of the events of the life of the Church over the world. It is available at the back of the Church. At present we have five copies on order weekly. Price €3

**Volunteers are required** to help next summer with the Eucharist Congress.

Leaflets are available at the back of the Church with further information. The congress offers us an opportunity to show hospitality to the many thousands coming to Ireland for that great event.

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul.** The society is also seeking your help in its Annual Clothing appeal. The appeal is for clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc.

**Distribution of Bags:** 9th/10th July **Collection of bags:** 17th July  
The Society is very conscious of the tremendous support given by the Parishioners of this Parish for their charitable works over the years. They would like to thank you all most sincerely on behalf of those you have helped.

**St. Patrick's Church Celbridge:** Vigil Sat 7pm, Sunday: 8.30am, 10am, 11.15am, 12.30 & 7pm.

**Week day Mass** 10am & 7pm

**St Brigid's Church Straffan:** Vigil Sat. 6pm, Sunday 11am. **Week day Mass** 10am

**Confessions: Celbridge:** Saturday 10.30am. **Straffan** Saturday 5.30pm

**Baptisms:** St Patrick's Church – Sunday 2pm St Brigid's Church. Last Sunday of the month at 12.15pm

**Pre- Baptism meetings** Tuesday 8pm in St. Patrick's Church. To book contact Myles 01 6275942.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament :** Every Friday morning before 10am Mass (9am - 10am) in St Patrick's Church St. Brigid's Church after Mass until 11.30am.

*The Pope's Intention - July*

*General: That Christians may contribute to alleviating the material and spiritual suffering of AIDS patients, especially in the poorest countries.*

*Mission: For the religious who work in mission territories, that they may be witnesses of the joy of the Gospel and living signs of the love of Christ.*

**About the Mass - The Preface**

With our thoughts now focussed on the Lord by means of the dialogue just prior to the Preface, the Priest, in the name of the Church and the particular community of the faithful now assembled, breaks into prayer in praise of God.

In words that are concise and free from verbosity, the Priest elaborates on the reason why praise is due to God. The Prefaces express well the appropriate aspects of our salvation in Christ, being celebrated in the seasons and feasts of the Church year.

The momentum of praise gathers, not only from the Church on earth, but also from the saints of the Church Triumphant and the angels, into a universal cry of adoration as the words, "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might" resound.

Fr. P. Taylor P.P.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel** feast day — 16th July .

Enrolment and distribution of scapular will take place following the 10am Mass on that day

**Mass Intentions:**

**St Brigid's Church: Saturday 6pm.** Tom Travers. **Sunday** 11am Fergal McCarthy

**St Patrick's Church: Saturday 7pm** Benny Kavanagh, **Sunday** 8.30am Michael Ryan, 10 Pro Populo, 11.15 Joyce McCarthy, 12.30 Special Intention, 7pm Joan McGuinness.

**Mon 11th 10am** Peter O'Connor, **7pm** Bill Lee, **Tues 12th 10am** Deceased McHugh family, **7pm** Thomas Quinlan,

**Wed 13th 10am** Marie O'Keeffe, **7pm** Michael Kennedy, **Thur 14th 10am** Seamus Nolan, **7pm** Liz McDonnell,

**Fri 15th 10am** Marino Bodiao Snr., **7pm** Bridie Tyndall, **Sat 16th 10am** Eugene O'Sullivan.

**Celbridge & Straffan Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2011.** Five nights departing on the 10th August and returning on the 15th August. Staying at The Hotel Solitude. Cost is €719 per person sharing. Full board. Single supplement of €30 per night. Cost may be paid weekly from now until mid July. Deposit required when booking. For further information please contact Liam White on 086 0487010.

**We welcome** the children recently baptised into our faith community **Tom O'Shea, Oliver Scully, Rian Kelly McLaughlin, Cian Devane, Megan O'Donohue and Teagan Wyczesany. Congratulations**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

If you are a parishioner who brings Holy Communion to other parishioners could you please email or phone the parish office so that the parish record for the sick and the elderly can be brought up to date.

**Parish Census:**

Many thanks to those who have returned the Census form. We have a slight concern that there may be some roads and estates where the census form has not been delivered

If you live on one of the roads or estates where the census form was not delivered as far as you are aware, we would appreciate it, if you contacted the parish office between 9.30am and 1.30pm.

Thank you

**Straffan Hall : Two exciting fundraising events coming up in aid of restoration of Straffan Community Hall**

**16th July from 10:00 - Car Boot Sale in grounds of Church of Ireland, Straffan**

**23rd July from 19:00 - Family BBQ, Food & Entertainment for all ages, Steam Museum, Straffan**

**Children's Corner**

A minister dies and is waiting in line at the Pearly Gates.

Ahead of him is a guy who's dressed in sunglasses, a loud shirt, leather jacket, and jeans.

Saint Peter addresses this guy, "Who are you, so that I may know whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven?"

The guy replies, "I'm Joe Cohen, taxi driver, of Noo Yawk City."

St. Peter consults his list.

He smiles and says to the taxi driver, "Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

The taxi driver goes into Heaven with his robe and staff, and it's the minister's turn.

He stands erect and booms out, "I am Joseph Snow, pastor of Calvary for the last forty-three years."

St Peter consults his list.

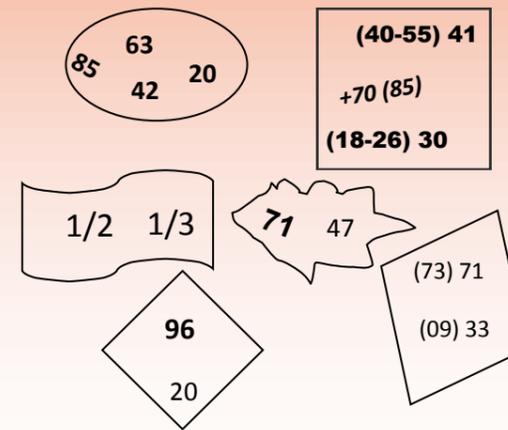
He says to the minister, "Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

"Just a minute," says the minister. "That man was a taxi driver, and he gets a silken robe and golden staff. How can this be?"

"Up here, we work by results," says Saint Peter. "While you preached, people slept; while he drove, people prayed."

**“Imagine a sower going out to sow”**

**WHAT'S IN A NUMBER?**



**Straffan Cemetery Mass** this Wednesday the 13th July at 7.30pm.

**Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** Information Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th July at 8pm in the Parochial house, for all those who are going on the pilgrimage and for those still considering going.

Pilgrimage led by Fr. Paul Taylor. P.P.

16 Sep 2011 - €1249.00 + taxes 4\* hotels hb, entrances, guides Highlights of the pilgrimage include: Sea of Galilee, Cana, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem & Dead Sea.

For more information contact the Parish office

