



The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan



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Queen of the May

Bring flow'rs of the fairest,
Bring flow'rs of the rarest,
From garden and woodland
And hillside and vale;
Our full hearts are swelling,
Our Glad voices telling
The praise of the loveliest Rose of the vale.

Chorus:

O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May

The Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place from 2nd August and returning on 7th August (5 nights).

Please note the change in dates.

There are limited places left so booking now is essential.

Staying at the Hotel Solitude, the all in cost is €710 per person

We will be accompanied by Fr. Brian McKittrick as Spiritual Director.

Further details contact:
Liam White at 086 0487010.

PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection: €1,935. Standing Orders for April amounted to €4,574 (184 Contributors). Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

The Parish Corpus Christi Procession will take place on Saturday 1st June at 5.30pm. The procession will begin at the Chapel in St. John of God (St. Raphael's) where we will gather for prayer and then we will walk behind the Blessed Sacrament in procession to the Parish Church, where evening Mass and 12 hours adoration will begin. We invite those who will receive their First Holy Communion this year to join in this special celebration.

On Sunday 2nd June we will have a Holy Hour in St. Patrick's Church from 5pm to 6pm. Pope Francis has proposed that every Catholic Church in the world pray this Holy Hour as he leads us in prayer from Rome.

In order to have a safe and worthy Corpus Christi procession we need volunteers to help with stewarding and other practical matters. If you would be willing to help please leave your name at the sacristy.



A special appeal is underway to renovate St. Brigid's Church Straffan and the Presbytery. The Church was opened in 1786 and is one of the oldest functioning Churches in the Archdiocese. The target figure is €70,000 and to date we have just over €1000. Thanks to all who contributed.

We hope to repaint the Church, re - centre the Altar and Tabernacle. A special appeal letter & envelope is available in Straffan Church. Cheques should be made payable to 'St. Brigid's Church'. Your support would be appreciated.

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), 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

Baptism:

St Patrick's Church: Sunday 2pm
St Brigid's Church: Last Sunday of the month at 12pm
To organise your baptism 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 Mass.

Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm Nora Blake

Sunday 11am James & Helen Kelly & deceased family members.

St. Patrick's Church

Saturday

6.30 pm Catherine Cotter, Fintan Beale.

Sunday

8.30am Paddy & Bridget Donovan.

9.30am Liam Barnes.

11am Thomas Kirwan & deceased Cushen family members.

12.30pm Patrick & Mary Core & deceased family, Thomas & Rose O'Hea.

7pm Mark Grennell.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Monday 20th 10am Mamie White **7pm** Peg, Ned & Eileen Lynch

Tuesday 21st 10am Special intention **7pm** Kathleen Murphy

Wednesday 22nd 10am Chrissie, Jack & Kathleen McNally & deceased family, **7pm** Mary Hanbury,

Thursday 23rd 10am Tommy Hayden **7pm** Pauline Cusack,

Friday 24th 10am Frank & Esther Kenny & Gretta Brady **7pm** Christy Kenna,

Saturday 25th 10am Herbert Corkerry.

Congratulations to the boys from Scoil Ná Mainistreach, the boys and girls from the Scoil Bhríde, Straffan and the boys and girls from The Children's Ark who celebrated their First Holy Communion this Saturday.

We thank the parents who facilitated the parish programme "Do this in Memory of Me".

We thank the teachers and the parents for the good work in preparing the children for the memorable day.

A questionnaire reviewing the Confirmation programme is available to boys and girls who were confirmed, their parents and the team leaders. The Parish Team would appreciate feedback. The questionnaire is available on line from www.celstra.ie

Advance Notice

The Annual Mass at Donaghcumper Cemetery will take place on **Sunday the 9th of June at 3.30pm.**

The Mass in Straffan Cemetery will take place on the Wednesday 17th of July at 7.30pm.

Career Planning Course for Unemployed People

4 weeks, 3 days per week commencing May 22nd

In Leixlip Adult Learning Centre Course includes:
Career Exploration & Guidance - Job Hunting Skills
- Interview Skills - Personal Development

Application forms available from Mary Faughnan (01-6246528) or mfaughnan@kildarevec.ie or they can be completed online www.kildarevec.ie

Arthritis Ireland 'Exercise Made Easy' seminar,

Monday, May 27th
in Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth
at 7.30pm.

Admission-free. Kildare physiotherapist Eamonn O'Muirheartaigh is guest speaker followed by a short exercise demonstration that everyone can join in.

Come along & have your blood pressure and BMI checked, take a foot scan, find out additional information about arthritis itself and exercise groups in Kildare

The Rosary will be recited at the Grotto, Celbridge on Friday evenings after the 7 p.m. Mass for the month of May.



Calling Young Adults (18 - 25) from our parish

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

6th - 9th August

Celebrating

'Faith, Fun & Friendship'

- See the sights
- Explore your faith
- Enjoy the company
- Led by Fr. Kevin and Christina



Staying in the Irish College in Rome

Contact Christina (our parish pastoral worker)

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This trip will be part subsidised and will also include fundraising (making it more accessible). Only a few places are left.