



**The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan**



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PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection: €1996

Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Thanks also to the collectors.

Legion of Mary/Patricians.

A discussion will take place in the Meeting Room of St. Patrick's Church on Friday 26th. April @ 8p.m. Topic for discussion: " God or Atheism". Please come and share your faith with other people.

My dear people,

Almost 40 years ago Share, the diocesan development fund, was launched to address the needs of the Church at a time of rapid development in new areas in the Archdiocese. Through a remarkably generous sharing of financial resources among parishes, it was possible to build Churches and Schools in the newly developing areas as they grew. What was achieved was remarkable. In many cases, the presence of the Church became a unique focal point which helped turn housing estates into real communities and the results are still visible today.

Today the needs of the diocese are changing. We face new challenges in passing on the faith. The Church in the Archdiocese must assume a more missionary dimension. We need to reach out to those who though baptized have drifted away from faith in Jesus Christ and from Church life or for whom the Church has somehow become marginal in their lives. This requires expanded and more focussed training programmes for lay leaders in evangelization. The Year of Faith calls on all of us to share responsibility for evangelisation. There is also a need to share specialised resources in areas such as evangelisation, financial management, human resources, child protection, communications and education. A substantial part of Share funding has been allocated in recent years to supporting these services which provide support to parishes across the diocese.

Financially this is a difficult time for all and I can assure you that the Archdiocese is taking the necessary means to control expenditure and keep it to a minimum. I turn to you once again this year to be as generous as you can in supporting Share. Your help is a vital contribution the work of evangelisation and renewal of the Church in Dublin today and I thank you sincerely.

* Diarmuid Martin
Archbishop of Dublin

Copies of the accounts for the Archdiocese is available at the back of the 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 & 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

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 James Donovan

Sunday 11am Vincent O'Brien

St. Patrick's Church

Saturday

6.30 pm Mrs. O'Brien,

Sunday

8.30am William & Patricia McKenna

9.30am Cis Hayes

11am Kate Walsh

12.30pm Timothy & Kitty Slaughter

7pm Felix Cox & James Kearney

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised: Jack Greene, Aoibhinn Lyons Woulfe, Ellie McCabe, Harry Dunne, Fionn Egeonu, Michael Cooney, Sarah Jane Walsh & Saoirse Martin.



Meeting the Risen Jesus

THE JOURNEY OF EASTER

Mondays in April

8 pm - 9:30 pm

led by Fr Kevin

In the Wellsprings Centre at the Holy Faith Convent (behind the Church)

WELCOME HOME!

Night THREE, 22nd April

1. BARRICADE THE DOOR. WE'RE TERRIFIED!

The Apostles in the upper room meet Jesus

2. DON'T GIVE ME THAT NONSENSE

Thomas 'I refuse to believe' meets Jesus

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Monday 22nd 10am Sean McNerney, James Stokes **7pm** Thomas Mulreid

Tuesday 23rd 10am Donal O'Dwyer **7pm** John & Ann Maher

Wednesday 24th 10am Deceased McHugh family **7pm** Maura McGlynn

Thursday 25th 10am Thomas, Bridget & George Myles **7pm** John & Annie Daly

Friday 26th 10am Mary & Sean Gavin **7pm** Thomas Henry

Saturday 27th 10am John Doyle & Patrick Wyse

Regina Coeli (Recited instead of the Angelus from Easter to Pentecost)

Queen of Heaven, rejoice. Alleluia.

For He Whom Thou was worthy to bear. Alleluia.

Has risen as He promised. Alleluia.

Pray for us to our God. Alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.

For the Lord has risen indeed. Alleluia.

This weekend we will launch a special appeal to renovate St. Brigid's Church Straffan which was opened in 1786.

A special appeal letter & envelope is available in Straffan Church.

We remember in our prayers the boys and girls from Scoil Mochua, who received their First Holy Communion this Saturday.

Fundraising Art Exhibition

in Scoil Na Mainistreach

2 - 5pm on Sunday 21st April

by Abbey Art Group and all the 6th Class boys

Vocation Sunday

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter or Good Shepherd Sunday is a special day for everyone in our parish.

We celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

We ask that we may be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit as we carry on the mission of Jesus, our Good Shepherd.

Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations as married and single people, priests, deacons and religious.

May our young people listen to God's call and be encouraged to respond generously.

Instead of the Share collection the 2nd collection today is taken up to help prepare men for the priesthood in the Dublin Archdiocese.

Celbridge Town AFC

will hold a "Scrap Saturday" fundraising event

Saturday 27th April at the St. Patrick's Park football grounds in Celbridge

from 9am to 4pm.

People are invited to bring along all their scrap metal and steel items anything from a metal teapot to a scrap car will be accepted and disposed of for free (no furniture, mattresses, TV's, or fridges will be accepted). For more information contact Stan Moss (087-2923953). This annual event is one of the clubs main avenues for raising much-needed funds in order to keep the club afloat and to try and ensure our players have adequate facilities.

All monies raised from this fundraiser will be re-invested in the development of the football club, including helping in the upgrading of our pitches, purchasing training equipment and gear for our schoolboy teams."