



The Catholic Parish  
of  
Celbridge  
and  
Straffan



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**PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection:** €1560 Standing order for June was €4358 (Correction of error made last week correct amount €1735) Your continued support is very much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

**Pope John XX III - His roots in the Soil**

The canonisation of John XXIII, announced by Pope Francis, will no doubt attract pilgrims to the village where Angelo Roncalli grew up. They will discover that Sotto il Monte, where his relatives still live, shaped the man who shaped the modern Catholic Church.

The village of Sotto il Monte also has its own living relic of John XXIII's papacy. For more than a decade, Archbishop Loris Capovilla was Pope John's private secretary. For the past 24 years, he has lived in Sotto il Monte, creating a museum of the Pope's life and work in the house that was once his holiday home. It includes the bed in which the Pope died in the Vatican and, occasionally unwrapped for visiting schoolchildren, an old papal limousine. The people of Sotto il Monte, he says, gave John his values: a profound sense of the value of poverty, sacrifice and duty - and a faith in divine providence. "His heart beat for his land," he says.

Ninety-seven now, his eyes twinkling at the recollection, Mgr Capovilla recalls with relish a phone call that he received in April. It was from Pope Francis, calling to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of John's final encyclical, *Pacem in Terris*. "John XXIII has been dead for 50 years," he says, "but it was as if he had been resurrected." "The two Popes could have been brothers, he says: Francis' mannerisms, his down-to-earth greeting of "Buona sera" to the crowds in St Peter's Square the evening of his election - all this contains echoes of John XXIII.

Fifty years on, Mgr Capovilla recalls Pope John's final days, as he lay dying of cancer. "I didn't see a single sign of depression, a single tear in his eyes," he says. "There was no fear; he was completely serene. In fact, he asked one cardinal who was weeping: 'Why are you crying? We have done our duty, we have served; it is time to leave - calmly, blessing, loving and forgiving.'"

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**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** Anthony Morrissey  
**Sunday 11am** Francis and Thomas Burke  
**St. Patrick's Church**  
**Saturday**  
**6.30 pm** Richard Keating  
**Sunday**  
**8.30am** Special intention  
**9.30am** Special intention  
**11am** Jim Campion  
**12.30pm** Lorraine Flynn  
**7pm** Michael Costelloe

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

**Monday 22nd 10am** Nola Ingels **7pm** Hugh Campion  
**Tuesday 23rd 10am** Julie Byrne **7pm** Fionnuala Montgomery  
**Wednesday 24th 10am** Special intention **7pm** Patricia Masterson  
**Thursday 25th 10am** Jim Campion **7pm** John, Gerard & Mark Cleary  
**Friday 26th 10am** Sean Doyle, Augustine Palimattom **7pm** Jane & Thomas Shiels  
**Saturday 27th 10am** David & Josephine O'Sullivan

We welcome into our faith community  
Dylan Mullany, Isabelle Leonard & Ciara Land



Congratulations to all the families.

**3 Day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg**

Tuesday 23th August to Thursday 15th August

Bus Leaving from Clane 6.45am

Maynooth 7:10am

Cost of Bus €50

Cost of Trip on Lough Derg €70

Contact 0876697902

**Rio-in-Dublin**

So you can't make it to World Youth Day in Rio.

Don't worry we'll have Rio In Dublin July 26th, 27th, 28th

St Mary of the Angels, Capuchin Church & Homeless Centre, D 7.

Whether you have been to a World Youth Day before or have never been, this is an event not to be missed.

Further details how to register and the programme of events  
[www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) or [facebook.com/groups/rioindublin](https://www.facebook.com/groups/rioindublin)

Our special appeal is underway to renovate St. Brigid's Church Straffan and the Presbytery. The target figure is €70,000 and to date we have just over €4,750. The renovation of the Presbytery is now completed at a cost of €24,700 Thanks to all who are supporting this appeal. 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.



We thank all the people who contributed to the collection taken at the Cemetery Mass in Straffan last Wednesday. The balance left after the expenses will go towards the renovation fund for St. Brigid's Church. Thanks to the collectors and to St. Brigid's Choir and all who assisted in any way.

Do you want to know the secret of true happiness? Of deep and genuine peace? Do you want to solve at a blow all your difficulties in relations with your neighbour, bring all polemic to an end, avoid all dissension?

Well, decide here and now to love things and men as Jesus loved them, that is, to the point of self-sacrifice.

Do not bother with the book-keeping of love; love without keeping accounts. If you know someone who is decent and likeable, love him, but if someone else is very unlikeable, love him just the same.

If someone greets you and smiles, greet him and smile back, but if someone else treads on your feet, smile just the same.

If someone does you a good turn, thank the Lord for it, but if someone else slanders you, persecutes you, curses you, strikes you, thank him and carry on. Do not say: "I'm right, he's wrong". Say "I must love him as myself" This is the kind of love Jesus taught: a love which transforms, vivifies, enriches, brings peace.

Carlo Carretto

What Faith is Not by Mitt Finchley

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