



The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan



PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection: €1,811. Your continued support is appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

St. Brigid's Church Painting Fund

We thank the parishioners who have generously contributed to the appeal.

For those who wish to make a donation to it later please place your donation in the envelope provided and place it in any of the collections bags.

Parishioners who live in Celbridge and wish to donate to the painting fund for Straffan Church can place their gift in the envelopes available at the back of the Church. Place the envelope in the collection bags.

The Bishop's Conference has produced a document to assist reflection on the Marriage Equality Referendum. A link to the document is also available on the front page of the Diocesan website <http://dublindiocese.ie/2015/03/10/marriage-is-important/>

Celbridge GAA Club Mass

For deceased members and friends
In GAA Centre, Hazelhatch Rd.

Monday 23rd March at 7pm

Chief Celebrant: Bishop Eamon Walsh

Refreshments afterwards. Everyone welcome.

Please note change in date and time

Easter Mass Intentions - Easter Cards

All Masses of the Easter Triduum will be offered for the intention of those named on the special Mass cards.

Each Mass card cost €5 and can be purchased in the parish office or in the sacristy after all Masses.

The Easter Timetable is available from the back of the Church

Advance Notice:

There will be **NO evening** 7pm Mass on Easter Sunday.

The Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage

will take place from 6th August 2015 (6 nights, full board). Staying at the Hotel Solitude, the all in cost is €759 per person sharing. The fare includes full board, travel insurance and coach links from/to the airport in Lourdes.



Accompanied by one of the priest of the parish as spiritual director. Further details from Liam at 0873868959

WELLSPRINGS CENTRE LENTEN/NEIGHBOURHOOD RETREAT

Tuesday nights 7.30 – 9.15. Tuesday March 24th, 31st, 14th April. Retreatants meet once a week for the seven weeks of Lent. Cost €4 a night, concessions can be arranged. To book for the retreat at well-springscentre@gmail.com

The 'Do This In Memory' Mass for the Children preparing for First Holy Communion will take place this weekend of the 21st/ 22nd March.

The Masses in St. Patrick's Church are the 6.30pm, 9.30am, 11am. The Mass in St. Brigid's Church, Straffan is the Sunday 11am.

We rejoice in the Celebration of the Sacrament of First Confession which the children due to make Holy Communion this year are celebrating in these days.

The ' Joy of the Gospel'

There will be a special meeting for the members of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Committee to hear about a new initiative by the Archdiocese of Dublin to promote the Joy of the Gospel for the parish. The meeting will take place on Monday the 23rd March at 7.45pm in the St. Eustace's Centre.

Weekend Mass Intentions:

St Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm: Eamon & Patricia Noonan

Sunday 11am: Bernadette Lynch & Lunch family

St. Patrick's Church:

Saturday

6.30pm Ann Melia

Sunday

8.30am: Seamus & May Walsh

9.30am: Margaret Kirwan

11am: Nickolas o' Connor, Bill Donovan

12.30pm: Sarah Callis

4pm: Filipino Mass

7pm: Annie & Billy Donovan

Weekday Mass Intentions

Mon 23rd 10am Margaret Anne McCabe **7pm** Jan Canavan,
Please pray for Belinda Arbuthnot

Tues 24th 10am Michael Jo Devine **7pm** Michael Brophy

Wed 25th 10am Special intention **7pm** Susan Ireland

Thur 26th 10am Sally Hartigan **7pm** Martin Kelly, Marie O'Neill

Fri 27th 10am Special intention **7pm** Julie Quinn
Please pray for special intention

Sat 28th 10am Paddy Bermingham

We offer our sympathy to the family of **Martin J Kelly** of Hazelhatch Rd. who died at the age of 88. Married to Alice for 59 years and they had 8 children and over 20 grandchildren. Martin wrote over 1000 articles on local history and archaeology and collected a number of artefacts of historical value related to farming and the history of North Kildare.

May he rest in peace.



YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH (16-25) Want to do something different this Summer? TAIZÉ (South of France) 1000s of Young People ... From Ireland, Europe, all over the World

For one unforgettable week: 28th June – 5th July

Travelling with the Dublin Diocese We have FIVE places on this. €400 total (flights, accommodation, meals) **URGENT** Meeting this Monday 23rd in Wellsprings. Places have to be taken up quickly to secure price. Info @ Josie # 087 903 3818 Fr Kevin at kevindoherty@eircom.net

We thank those who took part in the meeting to prepare our response to the document for the Synod of Bishops in October next which Archbishop Diarmuid Martin is attending. In order to finalise our parish contribution which we will send to the Archbishop we would welcome your response to the following questions.

1. Do you feel welcome here in church?
 2. Do you know someone who doesn't?
 3. Do you feel marginalised from the church?
 4. Do you know someone who does?
 5. Why?
 6. Do you feel rejected by the church?
 7. Do you know someone who does?
 8. What can we do to welcome and embrace those who feel marginalised?
- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____

Please place your completed response in the **Red Box** at the offertory table in the middle of the Church. We will collate and forward your experiences and ideas to the Archbishop as the Church under the guidance of Pope Francis seeks new ways to support family life and Christian marriage.