



The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan



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PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection: €1,625. Your continued support is very much appreciated.
Thanks also to the collectors.

Join us for the monthly gathering of our

"Food for the Soul"

Bookclub

On

next Friday 28th March

@ 10.45 am in Wellsprings

You are welcome to share in a cup of tea

and some spiritual nourishment, as we share thoughts on our book choice.

The Joy of the Gospel

by Pope Francis

This book is catching the imagination of people all over the world. It has sold out in Irish Bookshops a number of times. Join with us as we try to figure out why!

This month we are looking at CHAPTER 3 only

MINISTRY OF LECTOR

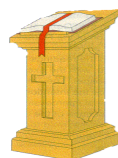
Calling all Parish Readers



Thank you for your faithful ministry to our parish.

Some reminders, for both Sunday and Weekday lectors:

- i) *Reflect and pray about the Word you are to proclaim.*
- ii) *Please remember to call into the sacristy before the Mass.*



WEEKDAY MASS: *The large numbers who attend Mass daily in our Parish is a wonderful grace. Yet, we do not have enough lectors (readers) to proclaim the Word at our weekday Masses.*

We need to put together a roster of lectors for all Masses, especially in St Patrick's. If you attend weekday Mass in Celbridge please consider this important work. If you feel drawn to it please leave your name in the sacristy to Fr Kevin.

ALL MASSES: *If you feel drawn to proclaiming the Word in our Parish (Sunday or Weekday) please leave your name into the sacristy. A short course in preparation will be given.*

LENT:

This week in the Parish:

St. Patrick's Church

Every weekday morning, the Prayer of the Church will be said before Mass at 9.45 am.

Wednesday and Friday mornings during Lent 9am -10am there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Stations of the Cross: Fridays mornings and evenings of Lent the Stations of the Cross will be prayed after the Mass.

On Friday lunchtime after the Stations of the Cross about 11am soup and rolls will be served in the room off the sacristy.

Everyone welcome.

St. Brigid's Church, Straffan

Wednesday mornings of Lent the Stations of the Cross will be prayed after the Mass.

Friday mornings after Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Weekend Mass Intentions:

St Brigid's Church:

Saturday 6pm: Patricia & Eamon Noonan

Sunday 11am: Eileen & Ned Rowley

St. Patrick's Church:

Saturday

6.30pm: David Birchell (1st anniversary)

Sunday

8.30am: Seamus & May Walsh

9.30am: Nicklos O'Connor, Billy Donovan

11am: James Rubotham

12.30pm: Sean Callis

4pm: Philipino Mass

7pm: Charlotte & Patrick Collins

Recently Deceased: Elizabeth Brilly who died

this week at the age 89yrs of We offer our sympathy to her four daughters, her 10 grandchildren and her great grandchildren, and members of the family circle. A life long member of this community and a good hard-working mother who really enjoyed her bingo. May she rest in peace.

What's on? Table Quiz

Where? Kildrought Lounge

When? Thursday, 27 March

What time? 8 p.m.

How much €10 per person. Four per table

Why? To fundraise for a volunteer teacher, Carmel Hughes, to travel to India to tutor teachers with the charity, Global Schoolroom.

Lots of raffle prizes. All welcome!!

The Parish Pastoral Council have been reviewing our Parish Mission Statement and revising it. We are proposing the following as our new mission statement;

As followers of Jesus Christ, powered by God's Holy Spirit we seek to live and share the joy and hope of the Gospel.

We would welcome feedback from our parishioners after they have prayed and reflected on the proposal.

Your thoughts and reflections can be sent to Fr. Taylor P.P. at the Parochial House or by email to celbridgeparishoffice@gmail.com

Weekday Mass Intentions

Mon 24th 10am Michael Brophy **7pm** Annie & Billy Donovan

Tues 25th 10am Special intention **7pm** Blessing for expectant mothers

Wed 26th 10am Mary Kenny, Bridget & James Kelly, Christopher Lee, Breda Finn
7pm Elizabeth, Tom, Sean, Thomas Henry

Thur 27th 10am Johnny & Ruth Wallace, & deceased family members, Mark Burchel, William Sherry **7pm** Christy, Brigid, & Paddy Harte

Fri 28th 10am Special Intention **7pm** Joe Giblin (months mind), Eileen Giblin

Sat 29th 10am Michael McLoughlin.

We remember in our prayers all the Children who are celebrating the Sacrament of First Reconciliation over the coming weeks, and we will continue to pray for them as they prepare for First Holy Communion.



The Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage

will take place from 22nd July 2014 (6 nights, full board).

Staying at the Hotel Solitude, the all in cost is €719 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 087 3868959.

New Monasticism Bookclub and Meeting

Celbridge Manor Hotel

8.00 p.m. Monday March 24th.

All welcome to this our first meeting.

The ACRE Project - Fundraising Quiz Night

Venue: Kildrought Lounge, Celbridge Time: 8:00 pm

Date: Wednesday, 26 March 2014

Prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams Raffle on the night

€10 per entrant. Teams of 4.

On your own? We'll find you a table! To pre-book a table, contact Michael at 01 627 1249 or email acre-project@gmail.com

Dochas Nasamu Orphanage - in Nairobi, Kenya, which is an Irish run and Irish built Aids orphanage, are holding a used clothing appeal of ladies, gents and children's - clothes, shoes, household linens i.e. towels, sheets, blankets, soft toys, handbags etc. (whatever condition - even in need of - recycling - so long as the items are clean).

This appeal will take place on Wednesday 26th March, from 9am to 11am when our vehicle will be parked in Celbridge Church car park, and for bags to be left inside wall of Straffan Church, for immediate collection (once we leave Celbridge Church).

For further information, please contact Marie on 087 6890995.

Also, thanks to the parishioners, for their generous supply of clothing, with our last appeal. It is much appreciated.