



# The Catholic Parish of Celbridge and Straffan



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### PLANNED GIVING:

(weekly envelope collection) was €1,585  
Thanks to all the collectors and contributors.



Today We welcome the Boys and Girls who are enrolling in the **“Do This In Memory Programme”** in preparation for the celebration of their First Holy Communion next year.

### Ministers of the Word/ Ministers of the Eucharist.

There is a meeting for all our Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist next Wednesday (5th October) in Scoil Brid. Apart from the chance to thank everyone, the meeting will be an opportunity to discuss some practical and simple steps that may help improve our ministry. Also, Christina (our Parish Pastoral Worker) will give an outline of the new missal, and how it relates to both ministries.

Tony Doohan will be selling his book **“A History of Celbridge”** after all Masses this weekend. We congratulate Tony on the magnificent production which shows us in picture and word the rich history of Celbridge. Proceeds from sale of book will go towards the provision of educational resources for Scoil Mochua.

The book has 148 pages, 210 illustrations and retails at €12.

A special programme of preparation for Children over 4 years who have not been baptised and whose family wish them to be baptised will begin in November. For further information please contact Christina, Parish Pastoral Worker at the parish office.

**St. Patrick’s Church Celbridge:** Saturday (Vigil) 6.30 pm, Sunday: 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am, 12.30pm & 7pm.

**Weekday Mass:** 10am & 7.30pm **Holy Days:** 8am, 10am, 12am, 7.30pm. **Bank Holidays:** 11am

**St Brigid’s Church Straffan:** Saturday (Vigil) 6pm, Sunday 11am. **Week day Mass** 9.15am. **Holy Days and Bank Holidays:** 10am

**Confessions: Celbridge:** Saturday 10.30am. **Straffan** Saturday After 6pm Mass

**Baptisms:** St Patrick’s Church – Sunday 2pm St Brigid’s Church. Last Sunday of the month at 12.15pm

**Pre- Baptism meetings** Tuesday 8pm in St. Patrick’s Church. To book contact Myles 01 6275942.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament :** Every Friday morning before 10am Mass (9am - 9.50am) in St Patrick’s Church St. Brigid’s Church after Mass.

### Ritual of Welcome for Parish Pastoral Worker Christina Malone into the parish.

Fr. Paul: I Invite you **Christina** to come forward.

(Christina enters the sanctuary and faces Fr. Paul)

**Fr. Paul:** Christina, You have completed a period of formation, training and discernment for the ecclesial ministry of service as a Parish Pastoral Worker in the Archdiocese of Dublin and have been assigned to serve the people of the parish of Celbridge and Straffan, in collaboration with the priests, parish team and parish pastoral council. Are you willing to work together with the people, priests, parish team and parish pastoral council in the service of the Gospel?

**Christina:** I am

**Fr. Paul:** Dear friends, let us ask God to bless and strengthen Christina as she begins her work among us. Lord God, you sent your Son Jesus to live among us and to reveal to us the face of your love. Through Him, you invite us to be bearers of your Good News to one another. *(with hands extended)*  
Bless, our parish pastoral worker, Christina

May the Word of God grow strong in her, nourishing her in mind and spirit. May your Holy Spirit support, sustain and guide her as she takes up new responsibilities for the up-building of the body of Christ in our Parish. Through our prayer, reflection and collaboration in the service of your kingdom, may all in our parish grow in faith, in hope and in communion with Christ and with one another and become more effective witnesses, to your presence in our lives and to your love in our world.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

### Mass Intentions:

**St Brigid’s Church: Saturday** Bridget Salmon. **Sunday** Kathleen B. Hayes

**St. Patrick’s Church: Saturday** ( Vigil) 6.30pm Barry McGloin and deceased family, Sinéad Warfield, **Sunday** 8.30am Jim O’Toole, 9.30am Michael Collins (month’s mind), 11am Patrick Swayne, 12.30 William and May Ward, Sister Rosario Ward and Patty Dillon, 7pm Tom Geraghty.

**Mon 3rd** 10am Kathleen Foley, 7.30pm Christopher and Margaret Kenny, **Tue 4th** 10am Larry McCarthy, 7.30pm Patrick Giblin,

**Wed 5th** 10am Bridie Burchell, 7.30pm Jim and Paddy Murray, **Thur 6th** 10am Carmel and Patrick Kirwan, 7.30pm Sean and Patricia Lynch, Sean Conlon, **Fri 7th** Altar List of the Dead, **Sat 8th** 10am Michael Murphy.

**We welcome into our faith community** the children recently baptised: Béibhinn Murphy, Erin Smith, Michael Collins, Amelia Turley, Kinley Grimes-Carrick and Niall Freer. Congratulations.

**The Parish Team and the Parishioners** thank **Frances Hogan** for her direction over the past week during our Parish Retreat. We know that each of us have experienced a spiritual nourishment that will help and guide us in the days ahead.

### Altar Servers:

We need Parents who would like to be involved in the training and supervision of the children both in Celbridge and in Straffan. The group meet once weekly, Monday afternoons in Straffan and Thursday afternoon in Celbridge, organising the roster etc. for about an hour. If you are interested please contact the Parish office.

Children who have made their Communion are very welcome to join the group. Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

### Day for Life Prayer

We thank you Lord for the gift of life.

Help us to appreciate the unique dignity of every person and the individual contribution they make to the world, in fulfilment of the task you give them.

Enable us by your grace to promote their wellbeing, serving you in one another in a spirit of generosity, through Christ Jesus Our Lord. Amen.

'Only the great certitude of hope that my own life and history in general, despite all its setbacks and failures, are held firm by the indestructible power of Love, and that this gives them their meaning and importance, only this kind of hope can then give the courage to act and to persevere.'

Pope Benedict XVI,

# Footprints

**Young Adult Gospel Mass**  
**Saturdays at 6.30pm!**



The Parish is looking for some adults who would volunteer to join the team, helping to prepare the children of the parish for confirmation. The programme “You Shall Be My Witness” is very user friendly, and offers adults an opportunity to journey with the young people of the parish towards the celebration of their Confirmation. The time commitment will be no more than 10 hours over the whole year.

**St Vincent De Paul.** This weekend the St Vincent de Paul Society will be holding their usual monthly collection after all Masses. Your support, ever appreciated, helps us to alleviate to some extent the many needs of the less fortunate among us.

**Outdoor Crop Production - Course**  
**Co Kildare VEC – Leixlip Adult Learning Centre**  
**Venue - Acre project, Salesian College, Celbridge.**

Start date 4th October 2011.

10 week course Tuesday & Thursday 10am – 1pm

Free to people who are in receipt of Social Welfare Payments or who do not have Leaving Cert. or who have a Medical Card. Fee will apply to others.

Contact Anne – 01 6246528

### Children’s Corner

#### Prayer To Your Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear  
To whom God's love commits me here,  
Ever this day, be at my side,  
To light and guard, Rule and guide.  
Amen.

