



The Catholic Parish  
of  
Celbridge  
and  
Straffan



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**PLANNED GIVING:** Weekly Envelope Collection: €1,697. Your continued support is very much appreciated.  
Thanks also to the collectors.

**Liffey Valley Orchestra Presents !!!!**

Liffey Valley Orchestra based in Celbridge returns to the Aula Maximan at St. Patrick's College Maynooth at 3pm on Sunday March 30th. Among the classical favourites on the day will be Greig's "Morning" from the Peer Gynt Suite and Hall Of The Mountain King.

Beethoven's Hymn To Joy and the Allegretto from Symphony No. 7 which featured in the movie "The King's Speech" will be performed. Significantly, the Orchestra will give the inaugural performance of a new and inspiring musical work depicting the life and times of Ireland's iconic and historical Round Towers.

Come along and enjoy what promises to be a lovely afternoon of music with your local orchestra.

Tickets at €10 each ( children free ) may be purchased at the door subject to availability or by email: info@liffeyvalleyorchestra.com.

HCPT The Pilgrimage Trust is a charity offering pilgrimage holidays, to Lourdes in the south of France, for disabled and disadvantaged people. Every Easter over 1,000 disabled and disadvantaged children enjoy a week in Lourdes, staying in hotels with their volunteer helpers. HCPT is a Catholic charity with a vision of "changing lives through pilgrimage, sharing God's gifts of love, friendship and joy". Its services are open to people of all faiths and none and volunteers and beneficiaries come from all walks of life and your support of our pilgrimage holidays is much appreciated, and makes a world of difference to disabled and disadvantaged children and adults.

This weekend the Dublin Diocesan disabled trust will have a collection inside the Church grounds at St. Patrick's Church after all Masses. Please give your support. Thank you.

**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:** Christina Friel

**Sunday 11am:** Simon McNulty

**St. Patrick's Church:**

**Saturday**

**6.30pm:** Sarah Thomas (m.m.)

**Sunday**

**8.30am:** Paddy Bermingham

**9.30am:** Bridget Murphy, Jim Murphy

**11am:** Margaret Kirwan

**12.30pm:** Josephine Roe

**7pm:** John Crean

Please pray for: Marie O'Neill,  
Margaret Concannon

**St. Patrick's Choir Celbridge**, seeks a talented organist. The church has a long tradition of fine music, featuring the classical repertoire but extending well beyond. The choir has currently about 32 active members.

Inquiries and expressions of interest should be sent to martin.wickham@gmail.com. Interested candidates are also encouraged to visit the church, Main St. Celbridge, at Sunday Mass (12:30 a.m.) to hear the choir.

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 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

**School Enrolments:** To meet demand the Boards of Management of Scoil Naomh Brid and Scoil Ná Mainistreach are establishing a third Junior Infant class in each school this year. Both schools have some places left in these classes, so Parents/ Guardians, should contact these school if they wish to enrol a child for Junior Infants for September 2014.

Scoil Naomh Brid 01 6272922. Scoil Ná Mainistreach 01 6271149

Lord thank you for the special gift of mothers. We ask you to help Mothers everywhere, that they are appreciated for the goodness they show, and bless all mother's in the care of their families. Lord, on this Mother's Day, give mothers the graces they most need and desire today

Happy Mother's Day



**Weekday Mass Intentions**

**Mon 31st 10am** Ita O'Connor **7pm** James Lee

**Tues 1st 10am** Thomas & Mary Moore **7pm** Kathy & Pat O'Mahony

**Wed 2nd 10am** Paddy Brennan **7pm** Tommy Ashe

**Thur 3rd 10am** Peter Fox **7pm** Thomas & Elizabeth Carey

**Fri 28th 10am** Altar List **7pm** Altar List

**Sat 29th 10am** James & Josephine Lee.

Please pray for Dermott Burns, Joan Gibbons, Ethna McDonagh

We congratulate all the Children who celebrated the Sacrament of First Reconciliation over recent 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.

Our Lady of Victories Gospel Choir, Ballymun rd. will join with our own Gospel Choir at the 6.30pm Mass next Saturday 5th April.

This is a return visit because our own gospel choir travelled to Ballymun Rd two weeks ago to sing there.

**Wellsprings Centre**

**( Convent behind the Church)**

**Understanding the Mass**

The two talks which were postponed will now take place on **31st March and 7th April.**

At 7.45 p.m.

The Mindfulness Course advertised for those dates will **not** now take place.

**Straffan GFC race night.**

Saturday 5TH April 2014  
THE KCLUB, Palmer Course

First Race 8.30 10 euro per horse  
Sponsorship Welcome

Contact Patrick 087 813 7301