



The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan



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PLANNED GIVING: (weekly envelope collection) €1,862. Thanks to all the collectors and contributors.

ANNUAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION : this weekend at all Masses replacing Share.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin writes:

"The purpose of the annual collection called 'Peter's Pence' is to enable our Holy Father, Pope Benedict to express his solidarity with those who endure the grievous wounds of poverty, deprivation and injustice, in the name of the Church. This special annual collection is an opportunity to express your solidarity with him in his ministry of charity and in his witness to hope. Through your solidarity with him Pope Benedict can give to the poor what he has conveyed to us in his concern for the Irish Church, his closeness to them, the strength to endure and the inspiration to respond to the challenges they face.

In these times which are particularly difficult for you financially, I ask you as members of the communion of the Church to enable Pope Benedict XVI, to the best of your ability to fulfil the mission of Peter to strengthen the faith of our needy brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, to the best of his ability".

Volunteers are required to help next summer with the Eucharist Congress.

Leaflets are available at the back of the Church with further information. The congress offers us an opportunity to show hospitality to the many thousands coming to Ireland for that great event.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly collection this week end. We appreciate your kind generosity. Thank you. The society is also seeking your help in its Annual Clothing appeal. The appeal is for clean, good quality clothes, bedclothes, curtains, shoes etc.

Distribution of Bags: 9th/10th July **Collection of bags:** 17th July The Society is very conscious of the tremendous support given by the Parishioners of this Parish for their charitable works over the years. They would like to thank you all most sincerely on behalf of those you have helped.

St. Patrick's Church Celbridge: Vigil Sat 7pm, Sunday: 8.30am, 10am, 11.15am, 12.30 & 7pm.

Week day Mass 10am & 7pm

St Brigid's Church Straffan: Vigil Sat. 6pm, Sunday 11am. **Week day Mass** 10am

Confessions: Celbridge: Saturday 10.30am. **Straffan** Saturday 5.30pm

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 - 10am) in St Patrick's Church St. Brigid's Church after Mass until 11.30am.

About the Mass

The dialogue in which the congregation is urged to lift up its heart marks the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer or what was called the Canon of the Mass. The Greeks call it the "Anaphora" or "Lifting Up".

The word 'Canon' is a Greek word meaning the measuring rod used by builders. It was made up of a horizontal bar with a vertical plumbline hanging from it, and was used to check whether a wall was truly straight. When used in the Mass, the word 'Canon' was the shorthand for 'Canon actionis gratiarum', ie. 'Norm for the Eucharist/Thanksgiving'.

The norm requires that In the Eucharistic Prayer, which the Germans call the 'Hochgebet' or High Prayer, certain elements are found.

These include:

- 1) The Dialogue, Preface, Sanctus.
- 2) Epiclesis - invocation of the Holy Spirit.
- 3) Anamnesis - Prayer of Intercession.
- 4) Prayers of Offering and Intercession.
- 5) Doxology and Great Amen.

Fr. P. Taylor P.P.

A Big Thank You to the ladies who did the lovely floral arrangements in St Patrick's Church for Corpus Christi. It was very beautiful and much commented on.

Also thank you to the Legion of Mary who organised the rosters for the 40 hours Adoration, and all who helped in anyway over the weekend.

Also thank you to our parish representatives who went to Knock, and the Pro Cathedral.

Mass Intentions:

St Brigid's Church: Saturday 6pm. Anne, Patrick, Mary, Paddy Cooney **Sunday 11am:** Special intention

St Patrick's Church: Saturday 7pm Denis O'Connor (month's mind), **Sunday 8.30am** Eddie Clarke, **10pm** Lily O'Connor (née Dunne) month's mind, **11.15am** Michael and Anne Deegan, Padge Doyle, **12.30pm** Adrian and Teresa O'Hara, 7pm Tara Montgomery.

4th 10am Mary O'Brien, **7pm** James McGarry, **5th 10am** Mary O'Brien, **7pm** Patrick McNamara, **6th 10am** Monica Dalgarno, **7pm** Frank O'Malley, **7th 10am** Thomas Lee, Mary and Michael McDonagh, **7pm** David and Anne Greene, **8th 10am** Catherine and Christopher O'Leary, **7pm** Special intention, **9th 10am** Hugh Campion.

Long serving member of Scoil Mochua Staff dies.

Marie O'Keefe (nee Kiernan) died last week after a short illness. She and her husband Patrick recently celebrated 45 years of married life.

Marie worked at Scoil Mochua from its early days and was a trusted and loved member of staff. She will be so greatly missed by her four children, three grand children and wider family. May she rest in peace.

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Information Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th July at 8pm in the Parochial house, for all those who are going on the pilgrimage and for those still considering going. Pilgrimage led by Fr. Paul Taylor. P.P.

16 Sep 2011 - €1249.00 + taxes 4* hotels hb, entrances, guides Highlights of the pilgrimage include: Sea of Galilee, Cana, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem & Dead Sea.

For more information contact the Parish office

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised : Milo and Bonnie O'Rourke, Tomás Meally, Éabha Crosbie, Charlie Ryan, Kian Murphy Joyce, Conor Murray, Eoin Herron, Sean Bushe and Jack Murphy.

Eucharistic Ministers:

If you are a parishioner who brings Holy Communion to other parishioners could you please email or phone the parish office so that the parish record for the sick and the elderly can be brought up to date.

Please note the current roster for Eucharist ministers is available in the Sacristy.

Parish Census:

Many thanks to those who have distributed Census forms to the 8,000 Catholic homes in the parish. Completed Census forms are already being received back, and just a gentle reminder to all those who still have to return it.

The parish is fully compliant with the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003, and while exempt from their provisions under Section 16 (1) (b) of the Data Protection (Amendment) Act 2003 as a non-profit group, the parish intends to process the data received as if it were obliged to comply fully with the provisions of the spirit of the Data Protection Acts.

Straffan GFC Annual Golf Classic will take place on Friday 8 July 2011 in the K Club, Smurfit Course at 3.30pm. Shotgun start. BBQ after 9th. Contact Frank Kearney on 087 6827859.

Straffan GFC Cúl Camp takes place from Monday 4 July 2011. Contact Bernie Molloy on 01 6273783.

Straffan GFC wishes Robert Kelly and the Kildare senior football team the best of luck in the Leinster championship semi final against Dublin on Sunday 26th.

Celbridge GAA Cul Camps 6-13 year olds **Hurling/Camogie** July 25th- 29th Contact Eoin Murphy 086 1743166

Football August 15th-19th. Contact Liam Holland 0863465225.

Summer Readathon in Celbridge library. Children can join up now and over the summer holidays read 10 books (or more). Every time they finish a book they will receive a star. We hope to host a celebration at the end of the holidays where children will take home a Readathon certificate.

God's love is
Bestest of All



Take time
Whether at the close
Or start of everyday
Put your hands together
And take the time to pray
God is always listening
God is always there
Whenever you decide
To say a little prayer

