



The Catholic Parish of Celbridge and Straffan



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Parish of Celbridge Straffan Receipts and Payments Year ended 30 June

	2011 €	2010 €
Family Offering	164,939	180,269
Donations and Bequests	3,840	5,514
Shrines and Sales of Candles	29,034	29,869
Investment Income	236	1,036
Other Sources	8,509	2,789
TOTAL RECEIPTS	206,558	219,277

Salaries, Wages and Honoraria	68,328	43,784
Church Helper Ancillary Expenses	8,059	1,549
Rent	9,350	
Rates	505	539
Insurances	5,777	5,243
Repairs and Maintenance	38,256	35,885
Electricity	7,885	4,388
Gas	5,863	6,238
Oil	5,538	2,816
Cleaning	339	728
Altar Supplies	12,105	5,649
Printing - Missalettes and Mass Books	17,407	9,023
Mission, Retreat & Novena Expenses	-	2,198
Interest and Bank Charges	862	2,130
Telephone	1,541	508
Postage	295	934
Stationery	4,949	1,328
Accounting	2,480	5,387
Sundry Fund-raising Expenses	3,149	3,452
Building and Renovating Costs	29,887	286,244
Parish Office	5,325	-
Planning Applications	4,125	-
Other Payments	5,382	4,351
TOTAL PAYMENTS	233,188	422,160

PLANNED GIVING: (weekly envelope collection) was €2,352. Thanks to all the collectors and contributors. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

The Tax Refund for 2010 was over €26,000. Please ensure that all 2011 envelopes are returned by 27th Nov as they qualify for tax relief for 2011. Donations of €250 and over qualify for relief. If you wish to check the amount donated by you to date text name & box no. to 085 7021882.

John Paul II Award

The parish of Celbridge and Straffan is delighted to offer the John Paul II Award for all the young people in 5th and/or 6th year in Secondary School.

The John Paul II Award is a great opportunity to get involved in the parish as well as raise social awareness in the parish community. After weeks of encouragement the young people will be rewarded with a bronze, silver or gold medal. If you are interested in this award or would like to find our more please check out <http://www.thepopejohnpauliiaward.com/> or ring Christina Malone, Parish Pastoral Worker, 085 8519110.

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: To book contact Christina 085 8519110.

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

Weekend Mass Intentions:

St Brigid's Church Sat: Rose Kearney. **Sun:** Ellen McKenna

St. Patrick's Church: Sat: 6.30pm Kitty Fitzsimons (month's mind),

Sun: 8.30am Gerry Flannery, 9.30am Gary Kennedy (month's mind),

11am Theresa Kavanagh, 12.30 Anne-Marie Cummins, 7pm Basil.

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS for November

General: For the eastern Churches, that their venerable tradition may be known and appreciated as a spiritual treasure for the entire Church. .

Mission: That the African continent may find in Christ the strength to fulfil the path of reconciliation and justice, indicated in the second Synod of Bishops for Africa

Explaining the changes to the Roman Missal

Presented by SR. OLIVE CULLEN, PhD.

(Theology specialising in Liturgy)

Thursday 17th, November 10.45 to 11.45 a.m. or 8.00-9.00 p.m.

Book early. Places limited to 25 Cost €5

Choose which of the above times suits you.

There will be two sessions on each date,

Wellsprings Centre, Holy Faith Convent, Celbridge

Phone 016288267 email: wellspringscentre@gmail.com

International Eucharist Congress June 2012

The IEC are looking for 10 Volunteers from each Parish to assist in the International Eucharist Congress which takes place in Dublin next June. People who can assist in a wide variety of roles are required - including General Administration, Stewarding, Meet & Greet, Pastoral, IT, Transport, Medical, Multimedia etc. Induction will take place on November 19th or 28th in the RDS Dublin and you will be required to attend one of these sessions. If you can help in this wonderful event please give your name by Friday next 11th November to the Parish Office at 01 6288827 or email celbridgeparishoffice@gmail.com. A representative from the congress will then contact you.

PRAYER TO HELP ME BE A SAINT

The saints were really amazing, God;
their love for you was great.
They prayed and preached and spread your word,
even when faced with hate.
Helping, sharing, spreading grace,
they'd give up their last dime.
Now they're blessed with the joy of heaven
until the end of time.

But the saints were still just people, too;
they sometimes did things wrong.
They doubted, worried, and sinned at times,
and didn't always get along.
So maybe there's still hope for me,
to be named a saint, too.
Lord give me strength to try again,
so I can live with you.
Amen.



Weekday Mass Intentions

7th 10am Les Wilcox, 7.30 Frank Duff, Des Rea O'Kelly,

8th 10am Winifred Kelly, 7.30pm Pauline McDermott,

9th 10am Phyllis Moran, 7.30pm Patricia Lee,

10th 10am Andy Greene, 7.30pm Johnny and Kathleen Murphy,

11th 10am Michael Heeney, 7.30pm Deceased members of Doyle and Brazil families,

12th 10am Betty White, 5pm Hugh Leonard.

Month of November

Blessing of the graves ceremony will take place today, 6th November at 12 noon in Straffan and at 3.30pm in Donaghcumper Cemetery, Celbridge.

During November we will have in our church a **'Wall of Remembrance'**.

You are invited to bring in memorial cards, or a (small) photograph of your loved ones who have died (include their name and when they died), and they will be placed on the wall. There will be a special collection box for these in the sacristy, and at each Mass. This box will be in available from the last week in October. The wall will be placed in the Church (St Patricks) for the month of November, after which you are asked to collect your card or photo.

Social Evening for Parish Volunteers

A reminder to all volunteers to let Bernadette know in the parish office if they are attending the social evening on Friday 11th November. Apologies to anyone who tried to phone during the week, and was unable to get through. Due to the renovations taking places in the parish office there was some disruption to the phone and the computer this week.

November Altar List of the Dead envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

During the year all Masses on the first Friday are offered for all those who are named on the altar list of the dead.

We welcome into our faith community the children recently baptised:

Ellie and Sean Walsh, Lucy Cunningham, Daniel Fay, Daniel Mahoney, Adam Byrne and Saoirse Keating.

There will be a short Remembrance Ceremony in the Workhouse/Famine Graveyard on the Maynooth Rd on Sunday 13th November at 2pm. All welcome.

New Readers for Mass

We're very thankful to all those read at Mass in our parish. We would, however, like to add to our list of readers. If you feel called to this special ministry, please leave your name into the box in the sacristy. There will be a period of discernment and a preparation course for all new readers.

Straffan GAA are holding a sponsored walk on 13th November at 2pm, beginning at the field. Please come along and join in the fun.

Celbridge & Straffan Gospel Choir Concert

Friday 18th November

at 8.30pm

in the Kildrought.

Come along for a great nights entertainment

