



The Catholic Parish
of
Celbridge
and
Straffan



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PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection
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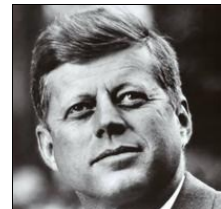
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"IF NOT US, WHO?"

IF NOT NOW, WHEN?"

(President Kennedy)

JFK wasn't thinking about Celbridge & Straffan Parish when he used those words ... but they wouldn't be out of place today. Here's a thought ... or three:

- There are 199 parishes in the Dublin Archdiocese – we are the largest one.
- We have more young people (and more schools) than any other parish.
- Archbishop Diarmuid Martin gets discouraged:

Probably my greatest discouragement comes from the failure of interaction between the Church and young people. I enquire what is being done to attract young people to parish life and the answers are vague. There's also this ...

Our young people are among the most catechised in Europe but among the least evangelised.

Translation: Often young people know facts *about* Jesus Christ, but not so much *who* Jesus is. To be fair, maybe not just young people! And so the Archbishop has a plan:

Sacramental formation belongs within the Christian community which welcomes and supports each of us on our journey.

The challenge Archbishop Martin puts to us is to find radical new energy and joy, and to be excited in telling the story of Jesus Christ to our young people – especially in the way we prepare for the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. Here, in Celbridge & Straffan, we want to respond to his challenge. How?

***Our hope is to pioneer, this year, in our parish,
an exciting new pathway regarding the journey to Confirmation.***

There will be more on this exciting initiative next week.

The Archbishop has encouraged all of us to find ever new and life-giving ways of allowing the love and the joy of knowing Jesus Christ come alive for our young people. As the largest parish we have an important part to play in responding to this invitation. Or, as President Kennedy might have put it ...

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Our Parish Mission Statement:

As Believers in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we seek to live and share the joy of His Gospel message.

Weekend Mass Intentions

St Brigid's Church:

Sunday 11am: Special intention

St. Patrick's Church:

Saturday: Carmel Mangan, (m.m.)
Raymond Price, Frank Reilly

Sunday

8.30am: Special Intention.

9.30am: Special intention

11am: Vincent, Delia, Rosaleen Rowan

12.30pm: Evelyn McBride (1st anniv)
Noel Wogan

7pm: Barry McGloin & deceased
family members

**CELBRIDGE GAA SUMMER CAMP
HURLING, CAMOGIE AND FOOTBALL**

MONDAY 18TH AUG - 21ST AUGUST
TIME 9.30AM - 2.00PM

GIRLS & BOYS 4-12 YRS OLD
(SCHOOL GOING)
BARBECUE ON LAST DAY OF CAMP.
FORM & FULL DETAILS AVAILABLE TO
DOWNLOAD ON OUR WEBSITE.
EILEEN O TOOLE 087 4179642.

Celbridge and Straffan Mother's Prayer Group

The first meeting of our parish mother's prayer group takes place on Tuesday Sept. 9th 2014 at 8pm-9pm in St Brigid's Church, Straffan.

Mothers of all ages are very welcome. We hope to pray the Rosary, reflect on Spiritual Reading and discuss the lives of different Saints. Our focus is to pray for our children, the children of the parish and children worldwide who are in difficulty.

We hope to see you there!

Mass Times

St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge

Saturday (Vigil) 6.30 pm
Sunday 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am (Family Mass),
12.30pm, 7pm
Weekday Mass: 10am & 7pm
Holy Days: 7pm (vigil), 8am, 10am, 7pm.
Bank Holidays: 11am.
Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass

Mass Times

St Brigid's Church, Straffan

Saturday (Vigil) 6pm.
Sunday 11am.
Weekday Mass 9.15am.
Holy Days 10am.
Bank Holidays 10am.
Confessions: Saturday after 6pm Mass

Baptisms

St Patrick's Church: Sunday 2pm
St Brigid's Church: Last Sunday of the month at 12pm
Pre- Baptism meetings: To book contact the parish baptismal team 0858662255
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament :
St Patrick's Church: Friday morning before 10am Mass (9am - 9.50am).
St. Brigid's Church Friday morning after 9.15am Mass.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Monday 18th 10am: Niall McDermott **7pm** Liam Burbridge
Tuesday 19th 10am: Eileen Fitzpatrick **7pm:** Johnny Murphy
Wednesday 20th 10am: David Ferguson **7pm:** Maria Fitzsimons
Thursday 21st 10am: Frank Brophy **7pm:** Liam Farrelly & Cheevers & Farrelly families
Friday 22nd 10am Patrick McCabe **7pm** Thomas Lee
Saturday 23th 10am: In thanksgiving

Recently Deceased: We remember in our prayers Bridget Cummins whose funeral took place last Monday. Bridget was a gentle, kind lady whose interest was deeply rooted in her family and friends and her love of Bingo. She spent 40 years working in St. Raphael's where she was held in high esteem by both Staff and clients. We pray for her brothers, sisters, nieces, and nephews. May she rest in peace.



Glenstal Abbey

Already 68 have booked to go on the day pilgrimage to Glenstal Abbey on Saturday 11th October.

Only 4 places remain. Lunch is provided and the evening meal at the Castle Oaks Hotel is included in the cost. The bus will leave at 7.30am from Celbridge Church. The all in cost is €60. Please give your name in the sacristy if you are interested in going.

Congratulations to the Donaghcomper Cemetery Committee for the major works that has been undertaken on the Cemetery. It is a great job. Well done!

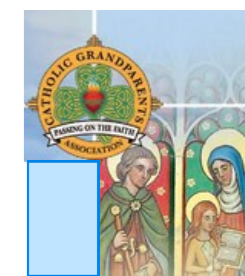
St. Mary's Parish, Lucan

The Annual Mass for the Dead will take place (weather permitting) in Esker Cemetery Lucan on Sunday 31st August at 3pm

The Parish are considering organising a Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 14th September for Grandparents, depending if there is enough people interested.

Cost for adults €20 Children €10

If you are interested please contact Christina Malone on 0858519110



Straffan GAA Summer Camp: 18th - 22nd of August 10am to 2pm

Cost 40 euros for first child and 30 euro for each subsequent child.
Contact Dave 087-2341682.