



The Catholic Parish  
of  
Celbridge  
and  
Straffan

**PLANNED GIVING:** Weekly Envelope Collection. €1,372.15. Your support is very much appreciated. Thanks to the collectors.

**1. Promises of the Children**

Children, as you look forward to sharing the Bread of Life In Holy Communion for the first time, do you promise to listen to all the people who will help you learn about God's love for us and who will tell you about Jesus and the way he wants us to live?

**Children:** We do.

Do you promise to try to get to know God better by coming to Mass, by listening to God's word, by joining in the prayers and by praying at home with your family as often as you can?

**Children:** We do

May God bless you and may you know God's love in your hearts and learn to share it with others.

**Children:** Amen

**2. Promises of the Parents/Guardians**

Do you promise to help your child take part in this parish journey of preparation, to accompany them to Mass and to encourage them in their preparation for their First Holy Communion?

**Parents/ Guardians:** We do.

**3. Promises of the Parish Family**

Do you promise to support, help and pray for these children and their families, as the girls and boys prepare to celebrate full Communion with us by receiving Jesus in the Holy Eucharist?

**Parents/ Guardians:** We do.

**ANNUAL CROSSCARE COLLECTION 2014**

The Annual Collection for Cross care, our Diocesan Social Care and Support Agency, takes the place of the Share collection at all Masses today. For 74 years now, Cross care has been providing food and accommodation, information and advice, education and support to people who are homeless, in crisis, disabled, isolated, elderly and alone. Every day and every night of the year Crosscare works to redress the harsh consequences of poverty and disadvantage. It puts faith into action and brings Christian love to people who are vulnerable, to those most in need and to the socially isolated right across the Archdiocese of Dublin.

Cross care aims to identify social exclusion, in its old and new expressions, and to lead those who are excluded into being once again women and men who can truly rejoice in their God-given dignity and potential to the fullest degree possible. Cross care aims always to provide the highest standard of care and support for those who use its services because its actions and programmes are shaped by our Christian belief that every person is created in the image and likeness of God. Over the last number of years Crosscare teams have worked hard on our behalf to develop innovative responses to the changing needs that they are faced with on a daily basis. The numbers of those in our diocese who are struggling to cope in their daily lives is, if anything, on the increase and Cross care is there for them, day after day.

The success of Crosscare's work is due to the generosity of the people of the Archdiocese. I thank you for that support and in the light of today's Gospel parable about God's justice and generosity to all, I urge you again to be generous and to give what you can to the Cross care collection today.

+Diarmuid Martin:  
Archbishop of Dublin

The Patricians/Legion of Mary. A discussion will take place on Friday 26th. Sept. '14 @ 8p.m. in the St. Eustace Centre, The Parochial House Celbridge entitled "IS MARRIAGE A DECLINING VOCATION?". If you would like to join in the discussion and/or learn more about the Catholic faith please come along. A cup of tea/coffee is also provided.

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

**St. Brigid's Church**

**Saturday 6pm** Paul Stanley

**Sunday 11am** Brid, Joe, Maria Walsh

**St. Patrick's Church:**

**Sunday**

**8.30am:** Michael & Alice Harte

**9.30am:** Niall Power,  
Power, Green, & Lynch families.

**11am:** Ellen & Jack Hunt

**12.30pm:** Annie Cummins, Elizabeth Rogan

**7pm:** Margaret Reilly

Please remember in your prayers **James McGauran** whose funeral took place on Friday. We offer our sympathy to his family and friends.

**Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church**

**Monday 22nd 10am:** Lily Brophy **7pm:** John & John Jnr Fitzsimons

**Tuesday 23rd 10am:** Paddy Kennedy **7pm:** Julia McGee

**Wednesday 24th 10am:** Special Intention **7pm:** Phyllis Greene

**Thursday 25th 10am:** Peter Kearney **7pm:** Paddy Kennedy

**Friday 26th 10am:** Bridget & Charles O' Fagan, Paddy Monaghan, Alanna McFadden  
**7pm:** Barry McGloin

**Saturday 27th 10am:** Jim & Paddy Plunkett

**Wellsprings Centre**

Sunday 28th September - OPEN DAY

SALE of Handcrafted Christmas Cards and Cakes

Proceeds to Holy Faith Mission EDUCATION IN SOUTHERN SUDAN How can you help?

By supporting the Sale or by volunteering to make cakes for the Sale.

Centre reopened for Courses - Monday 15th September

Tuesday, 23rd September - Sacred Dance

Friday, 26th September - Taize Prayer

**The Abbey Community Project** is based in the St. Eustace Centre, The Parochial House, top of the Main Street. It was founded in 2004 to assist people of Celbridge/ Straffan and surrounding areas combat addiction. In this time it has moved to two sites but has returned to its spiritual home and original address. The Abbey mission is to help the community through its members/families overcome the destruction of addiction. Throughout its history it has provided an instant and continued support and engagement with all of its callers. As a consequence of its traditions the Abbey enjoys strong relationships with an impressive number of other support networks such as Cuan Dara Detox Centre, Cherry Orchard Hospital (Heroin Detox), and Keltai (Rehab Centre) in the Pheonix Park to name just two.

At this moment in time the Abbey depends on charitable contributions to sustain it. We would kindly ask you to consider this. Thank you.

Opening times: **Monday** 10am- 5 **Tuesday** 10am - 5pm **Wednesday** 2pm - 5pm **Thursday** 10am - 5pm **Friday** 10 - 5pm

**The 'Come Follow Me' Confirmation programme**

Parents of children who are preparing for Confirmation in 2015 are asked to come to a gathering of prayer, reflection and information this Monday night at 8pm in St. Patrick's Church.

We welcome the children who are journeying towards the Sacrament of First Holy Communion, as they celebrate their Enrolment Mass for the beginning of the 'Do This In Memory' programme this weekend. We ask you to keep them in your prayers throughout the year.

**Harvest Dues Envelopes**

Harvest dues envelopes are available at the back of the Church. The Harvest offerings play an important role in supporting the Priests in the parish. Thank you for your support.

**Straffan GAA:** Ryder cup Business Lunch 2014 on Friday September 26th at the Smurfit Golf Course Special Guest Christy O Connor Junior. Please contact Robert Kelly on 0876634866 or David O Brien on 0868118122

**The ACRE** is offering free art, coffee and chat mornings. Mon.10am-12pm for 8 weeks starting 6th Oct. All interested must attend an info meeting on 29th Sept at 10am in the ACRE when all will be explained. It is necessary to book in advance for both of the above, phone Vera 086 2584367 or email veramcevoy@gmail.com

**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.

**Mass Times**

**St Brigid's Church, Straffan**  
Saturday (Vigil) 6pm. Sunday 11am.  
**Weekday Mass** 9.15am.

**Holy Days** 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