



PLANNED GIVING: Weekly Envelope Collection: The amount this week €1,804. Thank you for your generosity. Thanks also to the collectors.

Bank Holiday Monday: Celbridge Mass at 11am, Straffan Mass at 10am.

The Corpus Christi procession has been a prominent part of the celebration of the Feast since the 14th century when Pope Urban made Corpus Christi universal. St Peter's in Rome once had a magnificent procession along the gigantic Bernini's colonnades watched over by numerous statues of the saints. The practice ceased in the 1870's but before that the Pope carried the Blessed Sacrament in solemn procession to the sound of bells, cannons and hymns, through incense smoke and over a path strewn with flowers.

Stories about processions are many. Once when the Duke of Wellington, deservedly famous as a soldier and a gentleman, was in Europe leading a column of his soldiers, a procession of the Blessed Sacrament passed by. A churlish and bigoted officer refused to allow his Irish soldiers to stop and salute the Sacrament. On hearing this the Duke rode up on his horse, and with his sword knocked off the intolerant soldier's hat.

It is recorded also that in the 18th century La Perricholi, the beautiful Peruvian actress and the toast of her countrymen, bought the most elaborate and expensive carriage she could find in Peru. However, while taking her first ride, she came upon a priest carrying the Blessed Sacrament to a sick person. At once, the famous lady climbed out of her carriage and offered it to the priest, saying, "Our Lord must not go by foot while I ride."

Then, with bowed head and folded arms, she walked devoutly behind the carriage to the house of the sick man. After the priest had finished his ministering, the actress presented the carriage to him and his parish with these words: "It can serve God better than pride."

Rosminian Missionaries in our Parish

Thank you very much for your Generosity and a very warm welcome you gave us while we were visiting your parish for mission appeals/mission awareness. We are very happy to inform you that the total collection made from your parish for Rosminian Missions on 18 /19 April was €4,433. Thank you again. Be assured of our Prayers. May God bless you ALL.

Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ)

On the feast of Corpus Christi, Saturday the 6th of June, the procession will begin at 5.45pm at the convent behind the Church and process down the convent avenue in the small gate and into the parish Church for the celebration of the Eucharist.

The First Communion children are encouraged to come dressed in their First Communion outfits. There will be some treats for the Children in the forecourt following Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place immediately after the Mass in St. Patrick's Church from 7:45pm until 10pm, ending with Night Prayer and Benediction.

If you would be willing to spend thirty minutes in adoration and prayer during the hours of Exposition can you please put your name on the sheet at the back of the Church.



PRAYER BEFORE AN EXAMINATION

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me. Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together. Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked.

Help me to remain focussed and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me. Amen

The Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage

will take place from 6th August 2015 (6 nights, full board). Staying at the Hotel Solitude, the all in cost is €759 per person sharing. The fare includes full board, travel insurance and coach links from/to the airport in Lourdes.

Accompanied by **Fr. Brian McKittrick** as spiritual director. Further details from Liam at 0873868959



Weekend Mass Intentions:
St Brigid's Church
Saturday 6pm: Special intention
Sunday 11am: Vincent O'Brien
St. Patrick's Church:
Saturday
6.30pm: Tony Farrell
Sunday
8.30am: Kathleen & Bridie Jordan
9.30am: Rita O'Malley
11am: Thomas Walsh (m.m.)
12.30pm: Mary Blake, Mary Power (m.m.)
4pm: Edel Quinn
7pm: Peg, Ned & Eileen Lynch

Ecumenical Service at Tea Lane Cemetery
On Sunday the 7th June at 4.30pm there will be an Ecumenical Service of prayer and thanksgiving in Tea Lane Cemetery.

Fr. John Greene is celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination on Sunday 7th June with a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 11.30am in the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Cabra West. Any of his former parishioners are invited to come to celebrate with him.
We will have refreshments afterwards.

The 71st. Anniversary Mass for the Venerable Edel Quinn will take place in St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge on Sunday 31st. May @ 4p.m. All welcome.

Advance notice about forthcoming events
Sunday 7th June at 4.30pm an opportunity to visit the Tea Lane Cemetery and the Ancient Church ruins. There will be a short ecumenical prayer service and blessing of the graves. Organised by the Celbridge Community Council.
Sunday 14th June The Cemetery Mass in Donacomper Cemetery at 3.30pm
Sunday 15th July The Cemetery Mass in Straffan Cemetery at 8pm.

ABOUT THE CREED - "To confess or invoke Jesus as Lord is to believe in the divinity of Christ." (Cat. 455) Very early on in their history the people of Israel, out of reverence towards the One Living God, refused to pronounce the name of God, 'Yahweh'. Instead, when they came to that Holy Name in the reading of the Sacred Scriptures they used the word 'Adonai'. When the Hebrew texts were translated into Greek the divine name became 'Kyrios' (Lord).
"From then on, 'Lord' becomes the more used name by which to indicate the divinity of Israel's God." The divinity of Jesus Christ is indicated during his earthly life by his divine power. His forgiveness of sins, his healing of the sick, the raising of Lazarus and the widow's son at Naim, witness to the unique intimacy between Jesus and His Father. By His rising from the dead, as Peter in his Pentecost address announces, "God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord (Kyrios) and Christ." (Acts 2:36)
The mission of the Apostles is to announce to the world that Christ Jesus is Lord (2 Cor. 4:5) and the Church looks forward to the end of time and the Day of the Lord when his victory over sin and death will be fully visible. The words of doubting Thomas (John 20:28) "My Lord and my God" say it all. Let them be on our lips too.

Weekday Mass Intentions
Mon 1st 11am Ethel McKay, John Murphy (m.m.) **No evening Mass**
Tues 2nd 10am: Fr. Brendan McInteer **7pm** Kevin O'Sullivan
Wed 3rd 10am: Pat, Sean & Tadgh Doyle
7pm Aileen, Enid, William, Florence & Marian Purvis
Thur 4th 10am Reid & Sheridan families **7pm** Rose, John & Paddy Murray
Fri 5th 10am Altar List of the Dead **7pm** Altar List of the Dead
Sat 6th 10am Breda Reilly

Sacred Heart Novena
This Novena is for the nine days leading to the Feast of the Sacred Heart. It begins on Thursday 4th June and finishes on Friday 12 June in St. Patrick's Church after Mass
The novena leaflet will be available at the back of the Church.

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:
To help send sick people to Lourdes whose financial circumstances are limited you are invited to become an associate member of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage by placing an offering in the box provided at the top of the Church and placing your name on the sheet provided.

Funeral Ministry Team
The training of the Funeral Team has now been completed. We now hope to induction each of them in their chosen ministry on Sunday 14th June at 9.30am, 12.30pm in St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge and at the 11am Mass in St. Brigid's Church, Straffan. We pray as they begin this new endeavour in their ministry and that we as a Parish continue to pray for them and support them. We are aware that this pastoral service to the Parish requires sensitivity and commitment and we thank the team for accepting this role.

Bingo in Straffan Community Hall starting on Friday 12th June & every Friday Bingo starting time 8.30pm from then on." in aid of Straffan G.A.A.