



The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Planned Giving - this weeks weekly envelope collection was €889.56 Thanks to all who contributed and to the collectors

The Senior Choir of St. Patricks Church, Celbridge, will appear at the National Concert Hall on Monday 8th October next. They will join forces with The Cor Unum Singers and together as The Croi Nual Choir, under the direction of Kathryn Smith, they will be the guest Choir for a gala concert entitled 'Vienna to Broadway'. They will be joined by the Vienna Broadway Orchestra, Conductor Aidan Faughey and soloists Kathryn Smith, Deirdre Masterson, Ruth Cahill, Derek Ryan, Sean Costello, Tony Finnegan and violinist Vladimir Jablakov. Enjoy selections from Les Miserable, Showboat, Chicago, The Merry Widow, The Pirates of Penzance, High Society, Phantom of the Opera, The Bohemian Girl, The Wizard of Oz, My Fair Lady and many more popular musical favourites.

This promises to be a truly wonderful evening of music and song. Booking through the National Concert Hall at 01 4170000 or www.nch.ie (Discounts available for groups of 10 or more) €22.50 - €39.50

Parish Youth Group - 4YI

A youth group was set up last year for our teenagers who wanted the chance to stay active in our parish faith community. They want the opportunity to explore the journey of faith in their lives. Extra volunteers are now needed now as the group is expanding.

Lending a hand as a volunteer can be very rewarding (if it is for you). The group meets once a month in a relaxed atmosphere and everything is planned out in advance. Training will be given.

If your are interested in becoming involved please contact Rachel 086 3125704 or email rachelbrennanfagan@gmail.com for information.

Extract from the homily of Pope Francis at The Phoenix Park Sunday 26th August 2018

Of course, there will always be people who resist the good news, who "murmur" at its "hard words". Yet, like St Columbanus and his companions, who faced icy waters and stormy seas to follow Jesus, may we never be swayed or discouraged by the icy stare of indifference or the stormy winds of hostility.

But let us also humbly acknowledge that, if we are honest with ourselves, we too can find the teachings of Jesus hard. How difficult it is always to forgive those who hurt us; how challenging always to welcome the migrant and the stranger; how painful joyfully to bear disappointment' rejection, betrayal; how inconvenient to protect the rights of the most vulnerable, the unborn or the elderly, who seem to impinge upon our own sense of freedom.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018

God, Our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray:
[We pause and remember family members and others by name]
Increase our faith,
Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Advance notice - Straffan

Kildare County Council will carry out works in Straffan Cemetery, cutting hedges and overgrown bushes over the coming weeks.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will hold their monthly collection this Sunday 2nd Sept in support of those less fortunate than ourselves. Please give generously.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

- Mon 3rd 10am:** Mick Cleary, Sean Cotter
- Tue 4th 10am:** Paddy O' Rourke, John O' Brien
- Wed 5th 10am:** Carina Curran, Mark Sheridan (1st Special intention)
- Thur 6th 10am:** Special intention, Carina Curran, Rose Donoghue (Mahon)
- Fri 7th 10am:** Altar list of the Dead **7pm** Altar List
- Sat 8th 10am:** Luke Walsh

Madame Butterfly

By Robert Curran in memory of his mother Carina

During your illness, it was all boxing metaphors,
"Fight the cancer fight," "stay the course,"
And, true, you could, sometimes, sting like a bee,
But, mostly, you were our butterfly,
Always light, always on the wing,
The rest of us, as sis Margaret said, "chasing behind,"
Ever the sun seeker, in your conservatory,
Where, even in mid-January,
it was somehow 30 degrees,
"Just popping down to the shops,"
How many times
Did Joe hear that line?
These were your pollen stops,
Murray's, Londis, Walsh's pharmacy,
The church, and back again, non-stop
You moved through our town, through our family
and through our lives,
Like the butterfly through the summer garden,
Forever dancing, forever young,
In your bright colours, bathing in the sun,
For you, there would be no grey winter,
No ground to harden,
We'll look for you when summer's close by,
Our beloved Madame Butterfly

A BIG THANK YOU On behalf of all the people of the parish I would like to thank the many parishioners who gave of their time and talent as volunteers during the World Meeting of Families and the Pope's visit. For all who took part it was an inspiring experience. As we move into the future as the Catholic Church Community in Ireland we can draw from a deep well of sorrow for past failings and a renewed commitment to cherish and protect all the people of the Church.

Mass Times: St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge

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

Weekend Mass Intentions

- St. Brigid's Church**
- Saturday 6pm:** John O' Hagan
- Sunday 11am:** Ann Doherty, Bernard Carey
- St. Patrick's Church**
- Saturday: 6.30pm:** Margaret Connolly, Breda Farrell (m.m.), Mick Cleary (m.m.)
- Sunday: 8.30am:** Gerard Twohig, Mrs Savage
- 9.30am:** Noelle Kearns
- 11am:** Bridget Dempsey (1st anniv), Michael, Mary, Maura & Rita Sloan, Catherine Culliton
- 12.30pm:** Elizabeth, John, Julia Byrne & deceased family, Larry Young, Ann Armstrong
- 7pm:** Tony Farrell

Recently deceased

We remember in our pray **Carina Curran** whose funeral took place in our Parish Church on Thursday and offer our deep sympathy to her husband Joe and family. Carina was very involved in many activities in our Church, reader, cantor at 8.30am Sunday morning Mass, member of the St. Joseph Young Priest Society and involved in many activities that took place in Wellsprings. Carina will be remembered for her bubbly personality and the kindness she showed within our community. May she rest in peace.

Margaret (Peggy) Dowling ne: Walsh, late of Clondalkin, Celbridge and Sydney Australia. Wife of Francie Dowling, mother of 5 children and husbands and wives, 17 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Very much loved and always in our prayers. Margaret was a member of the church choir here as a young girl and teenager. Her funeral was held here in Sydney on Thursday 30/8/2018.

We remember in our prayers **Rose Donoghue (nee Mahon)** Kearneystown, Celbridge and we keep in our prayers her family. Rose died on the 6th July after a long illness in England. On her visits home she regularly came to the parish Church and we remember her at the 10am Mass on Thursday 6th September. May she rest in peace.

Weekly Parish Lotto

The profit from our Parish Lotto goes to developing our Parish and its outreach. The prize fund is now at its max **€10,500**. The lotto envelopes can be placed in the safe at the back of the Church in St. Patricks and St. Brigid's and the collection bags at the week-end Masses.

One line (you pick four numbers between 0-30) at just €2, 3 lines cost €5.

This weeks numbers are First Jackpot: 7,6,24,30

Second Jackpot: 23,25,26,8

No winners of 1st or 2nd Jackpot but our 3 consolation prize winners: Kathleen Price, Christy Wallace, Ann Cotter

Prizes can be collected in the Sacristy during weekend Mass times. Prizes have to be collected within 30 days of the draw.

Our next draw will take place on Monday evening.

Please have your lotto envelopes submitted before 10.30am on Mondays