



Planned Giving - weekly envelope collection was €1280.33 Thanks to all who contributed to the standing orders and the P.G

Tea Lane Blessing of the Graves will take place on this Sunday 25th November at 2pm

WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES

COLLECTION 1

This money the 1st Collection whether you put it in the envelope or directly in the collection bags goes to the Common Fund of the Diocese to support the Priests of the Diocese including sick and retired Priests.

COLLECTION 2

This money the 2nd collection (SHARE) goes to the Diocese to pay for Diocesan Development & Services and contributes to initiatives of the Irish Bishops' Conference.

ENVELOPES / STANDING ORDERS

PLANNED GIVING: This money is the MAIN source of income for the Parish covering: Parish Operational Costs, Sacramental Programme's, Parish Maintenance and Development.

At all Masses in Celbridge this weekend Tomás, one of our younger parishioners who will be attending World Youth Day in Panama in January will speak at all Masses.

There will be a leaving collection at the Church doors to support young people from our diocese attending this great event. The following weekend he will speak in Straffan.

Scoil Bríd - opening evening Tuesday 27th Nov at 7pm - 9pm. Open to parents of upcoming students.

Wellsprings Centre - UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 29th Nov: Bringing the Bible to Life 10.45 - 12
 Monday 26th: Crafts for Christmas 7.30 - 9.30 pm. See poster for further details
 Tuesday 27th: Paper Craft Club 11.00 - 1.00 pm
 Friday. 30th: Taize Prayer 8.00 - 9.00 pm
 Sat 1st Dec Retreat Day for Busy People.
 Reflection, guided meditation, personal prayer. Day will begin with Morning Prayer and conclude with Mass.

Booking Essential. 016288267/0866647608 or book online www.wellspringscelbridge.com.

Weekly Hour of Prayer for Life every Thursday 7pm- 8pm. After 45mins of silent prayer we will pray the Night Prayer of the Church and finish with Benediction.

I would like to thank parishioners who support our parish through the Thanksgiving Envelope or by way of Direct Debit payment.

Apart from paying the priest's of the parish and supporting old, sick and retired priests and those working in challenging places through the **FIRST COLLECTION** at Mass; the maintenance, running and provision of services in our parish **is entirely dependant** on the income given through the Thanksgiving Envelope or Direct Debit.

If you are new to our parish or up to now have not supported the Thanksgiving Appeal, I urge you to consider joining in.

All the heating, insurance, supplies, maintenance and payments to organists, musicians, choir directors, secretarial services and sacristans come from the Thanksgiving Appeal. We have a vibrant faith community and all of us who worship here together, need to keep our shoulder to the wheel. If everyone gives a little a lot can be done.

If you are willing to support our parish I invite you to fill in the Direct Debit Form available on the table at the back of the Church and return it or just call the parish office or email celbridgeparishoffice@gmail.com and we will send you a box of Thanksgiving Envelopes by the end of the year.

If you are supporting the parish through the Thanksgiving Envelopes or direct debit we would like you to fill in the CHY3 form. By doing so, the parish is able to get tax back on your kind donations from the state at no cost to you. Why would we leave money the state is offering us uncollected?

Please pick a copy of the form from the table at the back of the Church, fill it in and return in the attached pre paid envelope.

If you are new to the Parish we would like to welcome you so if you could fill in your details on the cream coloured form at the back of the Church we will be in touch.

Date for the Diary: Andy Cooney live in concert with special appearance Kathryn Smith, Senior Choir director in aid of St. Patrick's Church gallery renovation **Sunday 25th November at 8pm in Celbridge Manor** . Tickets available from the sacristy / parish office. Cost €15.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church
Mon 26th 10am: Frances Lawlor, Nuala O' Byrne
Tue 27th 10am: deceased members of Tevlin family
Wed 28th 10am: Liam Hogan, special intention
Thur 29th 10am: Pat Doyle, Sadie Clarke
Fri 30th 10am: Willie Ruttledge, Joanne & Michael O' Sullivan
Sat 1st: 10am: Christina, Daniel & Eoghan Kelly, Tom Wickham

Recently Deceased: Mary Gorman; We offer our sympathy to Mary's husband Gerry and their two daughters Louise and Ciara on the death of Mary at the age of 58. A woman of infectious laughter, she touched the hearts of all who knew her. The large attendance at her funeral mass was an indication of the esteem in which she was held. May the Lord bless with courage her loved ones at this sad time, a courage Mary displayed throughout her illness. May she rest in peace.

Parish Assembly
 I would like to thank parishioners who took part in last Monday Nights gathering. The presentation on the role of the Parish Pastoral Council was informative and friendly. However, because of time constraints we did not get onto discussing practical concerns and suggestions many who had attended hoped to raise. To address this and carry things forward we will arrange another session so that issues can be addressed. The Parish Pastoral Council will pick a date as soon as possible.

A Room at the Inn: Pastoral Letter of the Irish Bishops on Housing and Homelessness

The Pastoral Letter is available from Veritas, or online at catholicbishops.ie. Among its key findings are:

- Housing should be recognised as a human right and it should be safe, affordable and appropriate;
- The provision of housing cannot be left solely to the market;
- Housing should not be treated as just other commodity;
- Housing policies should recognise the rights of families and seek to bring about greater equality in our society;
- Action must be taken to increase the supply and reduce the price of housing;
- The private rental sector needs to ensure fair pricing and security of tenure in the context of its recent growth at the expense of home ownership and social housing;
- Cooperative housing should be encouraged and supported with the introduction of a new 'Cost Rental' sector which focuses on the actual cost of providing housing, rather than on profit;
- Taxation should be considered for vacant sites, tax loopholes closed, and compulsory purchase powers invoked for potential sites which lie undeveloped for a lengthy period of time;

Weekend Mass Intentions
St. Brigid's Church
Saturday 6pm: Pat Doyle
Sunday 11am: Derry Darlington
St. Patrick's Church
Sat: 6.30pm: Paddy Kelly (m.m.) Maurice & Nancy Murray, Mary Gorman
Sunday: 8.30am: Dolly & Jimmy Condell
9.30am: Jim Clyne, Mary Gorman
11am: Paul Darlington, Beatrice Ibitoye
12.30pm: Sheila Sherlock, Grace Roche, Sarah Clarke
7pm: Frank Kelly

Please Support our Weekly Parish Lotto

The profit from our Parish Lotto goes to developing our Parish
 The prize fund is now at **€1450**.
 The lotto envelopes can be placed in the safe at the back of the Church in St. Patricks & St. Brigid's and the collection bags at the week-end Masses.

You pick four numbers between 1 -30
One line at just €2, 3 lines cost €5.

This weeks numbers are First Jackpot: 13,14,19,27
Second Jackpot: 20, 25, 12, 11.

No winners of 2nd Jackpot but our 3 consolation prize winners:
Tony McNeill, Margaret Fox, Mary Hayden

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

- The making of enormous profits through land speculation in housing developments and in maintaining high rents is particularly damaging to society;
- The accommodation needs of the Travelling Community and of asylum seekers must be addressed in a housing strategy;
- Housing provision should take account of environmental sustainability and the use of proper building standards to ensure quality of living for occupants;
- Housing provision should take account of rural and urban development policies;
- Housing policy should be committed to ensuring that those employed in the construction sector can work in safe, secure and fair working environments;
- The absence of adequate housing occurs as a result of governments prioritising other objectives over the provision of housing which is necessary for the dignity of the person;
- The absence of an adequate and a secure home for children will impact on their life in terms of education, employment and health.