



Planned Giving - weekly envelope collection was €1316.84. Thanks to all who contributed to the standing orders and the Planned Giving. Thanks also to the collectors and counters.

Dear Friends,

Almost 90% of couples marrying in the churches of the diocese of Dublin in 2018 attended an ACCORD Dublin marriage preparation course. Experienced facilitators work with couples to equip them to create a solid foundation for their life together, the well-being of their family and their understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage.

The ACCORD Dublin schools programme, delivered within Department of Education guidelines, gives young people tools for discernment to enable them to build strong and positive relationships within the family, with friends, and eventually with spouses. In 2018, 27,725 primary and secondary school students benefitted from this programme in 344 schools.

In 2018 ACCORD Dublin's marriage and relationship counselling services cared for more than 2,000 people. These services are provided free where, necessary. No one is turned away because they cannot pay.

The Report of the Synod of Bishops on Marriage and the Family noted "When a husband and wife are having trouble in their relationship, they must be able to count on the help and guidance of the Church. Experience shows that with proper help and reconciliation, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, a large percentage of marriage crises are satisfactorily overcome."

This is the vital ministry of ACCORD. It can only be carried out through your generosity. I ask you to be generous in your response.

+ Diarmuid Martin

Archbishop of Dublin

The ACCORD collection will replace the normal SHARE collection this weekend.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Lourdes Pilgrimage is taking place for 5 nights from 20 June 2019. Staying at the Solitude Hotel.

Spiritual Director: Fr. Brian McKittrick

€749 per person sharing

5 nights full board

Single supplement €180

To book a place **Contact the Parish Office**



A PRAYER FOR COMFORT AND STRENGTH

Everyday I need you Lord, but this day especially I need some extra strength to face whatever is to be. This day, more than any day, I need to feel you near to fortify my courage and overcome my fear. By myself I cannot meet the challenge of the hour. And so dear Lord I ask, hold on to my trembling hand and remain with me today. Amen

Lord, help me to remember that nothing can happen to me today, that you and I together cannot handle. Amen

We thank Sally Ann & Andrew O' Neill who on behalf of the parish attended the 27th World Day of the Sick 2019 seminar hosted by the Dublin Diocese in All Hallows, Drumcondra last Saturday. The seminar focused on "Community struggling with addiction - a pastoral response."

DO THIS IN MEMORY Masses for the children preparing for First Holy Communion takes place this weekend.

We keep the children and their families in our prayers.

The Parish Team

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Catriona Kelly: Confirmation leader
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Booking the Church for weddings / baptism contact the office.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 18th 10am: Josephine & David O' Sullivan, Gretta Mahon, Jack Fitzgerald

Tue 19th 10am: Nuala Behan, Ann Sweeney

Wed 20th 10am: Terry Ward, Special intention, Bridget & Eddie Fitzpatrick

Thur 21st 10am: Greta Mahon, Nuala Behan, Jose Jacob

Fri 22nd 10am: Anne Sweeney, Nora McKelvey, Peter Smith

Sat 23rd: 10am: Alan Walker, Josie McCormack

Weekly Hour of Prayer for Life every Thurs 7pm-8pm. This weekly hour of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament invites us to pray for an end to all violence, injustice and neglect which threaten human flourishing.

After 45mins of silent prayer we will pray the Night Prayer of the Church and finish with Benediction.

Please Support our Weekly Parish Lotto

The profit from our Parish Lotto goes to developing our Parish The prize fund is now at €1650

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: 21,25, 24, 6

Second Jackpot: 20, 10, 27, 7.

No winners of 2nd Jackpot but our 3 consolation prize winners:

Mary Fortland, Joe Gallen, Teresa McCarthy

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 afternoon.

Envelopes must be submitted before 10.30am on Mondays

PLEASE NOTE: During the winter months we do NOT shake hands at the sign of peace to help prevent the spread of infection.

Instead we bow to each other as a sign of friendship and peace

The school yard (car parking) will close 10 minutes after the evening Masses are over. Please leave promptly.

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: 10am, 7pm.

Bank Holidays: 10am.

Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass

Mass Times

St Brigid's Church, Straffan

Saturday (Vigil) 6pm.

Sunday 11am

Weekday Mass 9.15am

Holy Days & Bank Holidays: 9.15am

Confessions: Saturday after 6pm Mass

Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm: William, James & Annie Keegan, Dan McKeown (m.m)

Sunday 11am: Vincent & Marion Hendron, Josie & Ted Donovan, John Lawlor, Kathleen & Denis Mulhall

St. Patrick's Church

Sat: 6.30pm: Tom Malone, Mary Gannon

Sunday: 8.30am: Patrick Barden, Josie McCormack

9.30am: Patricia O' Rourke

11am: Mary Gannon, Florence McCormack

12.30pm: Michael & Anne Murphy, Sean O' Connor, Marie Feehan, Special intention

7pm: Joe, Micheál, Oliver Foley

THE DEEP END * HOW HAPPY

What's so great about being poor, or hungry, or sad?

On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem very strange:

'How happy are you who are poor'. Surely it is better to be wealthy, to be well fed, and to enjoy good times - or to at least be comfortable and content?

But Jesus is not interested in comfort, or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is something of a revolutionary.

He has come to turn the social order on its head: last becomes first and least becomes greatest. His concern is always for the

poor and marginalised. Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept

away. Sadly, as we hear on the news every day inequalities in our world with regard to wealth, education, health and opportunities

remain as stark as ever. Speaking about how we can tackle injustice today, Pope Francis has offered six 'new Beatitudes' for the

modern Christian. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us that the task of the Christian is to tackle injustice and to act in solidarity

with those on the margins of society. Pope Francis' 'new Beatitudes' include:

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.

Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised and show them their closeness.

Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

By Triona Doherty

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