



Planned Giving - weekly envelope collection was €1160.45. Thanks to all who contributed to the standing orders and the Planned Giving. Thanks also to the collectors and counters.

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**



***Women's World Day of Prayer
written by the women of Slovenia***

Come and Join in the Women's Day of prayer open to all parishioners.

Friday 1st March at 8pm

in St. Patrick's Church, Celbridge

Please join us.

Parishioners from Slovenia would be very welcome. Join us for some refreshments after the prayer service.

Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday the 6th March.

Trocaire boxes will be available at the back of the both the Church in Straffan and Celbridge.

Through our 'Trocaire' offerings we help push back the tide of human misery that is harming human flourishing and making the divine love real.

The Living Spirit

I desire neither death nor life. Were the Lord to offer me a choice, I would not choose. I will only what he wills, and I am pleased with whatever he does.

I have no fear of the last struggle, or of any pain, however great, which my illness may bring.

God has always been my help; he has led me by the hand since I was a child, and I count on him now.

Even though suffering should reach its furthest limits, I am certain he will never forsake me.

ST THERESE OF LISIEUX

FROM BY LOVE ALONE: DAILY READINGS WITH ST THERESE OF LISIEUX.

The singer-songwriter James Taylor was giving a concert when someone in the audience yelled out, "I love you, James!"

And things fell quiet for a moment and he looked up from his guitar and said, "Oh yeah, what makes me sad?"

What a curious response. There's 'a great deal of truth informing that question. What is the measure of loving someone? The definition of love, we say, is when we truly desire another's good. But we cannot truly claim to know someone until we know what causes him or her to suffer. We do not really love someone until we come to know him or her in their suffering and, in this way, take a share in it.

Sometimes we just want to be known in our sadness. The good news is that we are ... No matter our vocation or situation in life, Jesus invites us into relationship: he invites us to stand with him at the foot of the Cross, to stand in that intimate sanctuary of his loneliness and suffering. Because whom do you invite to your bedside when all hope is lost, but the one you know will bring comfort and consolation?

Is it possible that he is inviting you?

ELIZABETH M. KELLY

Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm: Joe & Bridget Sammon

Sunday 11am: Patrick Meehan (m.m.), Patrick Doyle

St. Patrick's Church

Sat: 6.30pm: Annie, Matthew & Frank Gough, Anne Sweeney (m.m.)

Sunday: 8.30am: Seamus & May Walsh

9.30am: Patricia O' Rourke, Josie McCormack

11am: Niall Doran (1st anniv), Kathleen O'Connor, Maud Dempsey (1st anniv), Molly Keogh

12.30pm: Liam & Mary Stanley, Sheila McDonald, Gretta Mahon

7pm: Anne Swayne, Patrick Moore

5pm: Filipino Mass

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 €1700

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: 12,17, 21, 3
Second Jackpot: 27, 28, 13, 25.

No winners of 2nd Jackpot but our 3 consolation prize winners:
Pat Hennessey, Patricia Murphy, Tony Burke

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

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

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 25th 10am: Anne Sweeney, Patrick Lovett

Tue 26th 10am: Ciaran McDonnell, Mary Barker

Wed 27th 10am: Special intention, Margaret (Peg) Redmond, Special intention

Thur 28th 10am: Anne Sweeney, Josie McCormack

Fri 1st 10am: Altar List of the Dead

7pm Clíodhna Uí Muineacháin (Nolan) (1st anniv)

Sat 2nd: 10am: Mary Kate Houlihan

Lord, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to seek reward, save that of knowing that I do your Holy Will.

Straffan Community 5k & 10K Race is on 2nd March at 10am

This is a great fun community event.

You can enter the race at Sportsmaster shop in Celbridge or online at popuraces.ie. Or you could volunteer on the day by being a supporter or Road Marshall.

Your help would be much appreciated.

Funds raised are for Straffan Community Hall.

Please call me Orla on 087 2373142 for more info. Thank you

Celbridge Parent & Toddler group require parents to help, assist and administrate with the present group on Tuesdays up to June and from Sept next.

Ideal opportunity for someone who is taking a childcare course or wishes to gain experience in the childcare industry.

Contact John for details on 01 6288556.

PLEASE NOTE: 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.

The Parish Team

Fr. Paul Taylor P.P. tel 6275874

Fr. Brian McKittrick C.C. tel: 6288827

Fr. Jacob Shanet P.C. tel: 6012303

Catriona Kelly: Confirmation leader

Lorraine O'Connor: First Communion Leader

Parish Office hours Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm. (Closed Wednesday)

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Booking the Church for weddings / baptism contact the office.

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