



Planned Giving - weekly envelope collection amount was €1430.35 Thanks to all who contributed through the standing orders and the Planned Giving. Thanks also to the collectors and counters.

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.

Farewell Fr. Brian

As you are aware, Fr. Brian is being moved to Avoca. His final Mass in Celbridge will be Sunday 25th August at 12.30pm. There will be a reception in Scoil Bríd directly after Mass.

Just to clarify: His final mass will take place in Straffan on Sunday 1st September at 11am followed by refreshments in the Community Hall.

Fr. Paul P.P. will return on the 20th October for a Celebration of the Mass at 12.30 pm followed by refreshments.

Parish Pastoral Council.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, STRAFFAN

The renovated Saint Brigid's Church in Straffan is widely praised by all who visit it. If you have not seen it I urge you to make a visit, as it's only 10 minutes from Celbridge.

A guide to some of the features of the church.

- Over the altar are 3 paintings by the Catholic Australian and Japanese artist Katsuya. They show the crucifixion of Jesus and Our Lady and the young Saint John at the foot of the cross.
- The Baptism Font, the Ambo (from which the Word of God is proclaimed), and the pillar in the corner are each carved out of a single piece of Portuguese limestone by the Irish artist Mark Ryan.
- On top of the pillar in the corner near the Baptism Font is the Ambry. The Ambry contains 3 vessels containing the Holy Oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Anointing of the sick. The Ambry was made by Jarlath Daly. A well respected sculptor who lives in Celbridge.
- The Pipe Organ is nearly 100 years old and came from Derby in England where a Protestant church was being closed. It was rebuilt and installed by Stephen Adams from Tankardstown, Carlow.
- On the side wall (top right) is a painting of St Brigid feeding the poor by the Irish artist EVIE HONE, RHA was born in Dublin in 1894 and died on her way into Mass in Rathfarnham, Dublin on the 13th March 1955.
- The next painting depicts Pentecost with the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles gathered together with Mary the Mother of Christ. It is by PATRICK PYE. RHA. He was born in Winchester, England in 1929 and lived most of his life in Ireland where he died on the 8th February 2018

Our Parish Mission Statement:

"As Believers in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we seek to live and share the joy of His Gospel message".

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Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Saturday 6pm: Tadgh Doyle

Sunday 11am: Tish Carney & deceased family members.

St. Patrick's Church

Sat: 6.30pm: Shay Gorman (m.m.)

Sun: 8.30am: Josie McCormack

9.30am: Noreen Pearce

11am: Margaret Sloan, Noel Walsh, Tess Costello

12.30pm: Noel Wogan, Colette Carpenter, Michael Murray

7pm: Patricia & Francis Lee & deceased members

Recently Deceased. John Murphy who died peacefully last Sunday surrounded by his loving family. Beloved son of the late Tailte (Tolly) and Thomas (Tom) and much loved brother of Eileen and Mark. He will be sadly missed by his loving brother, sister, brother-in-law Joe, sister-in-law Cristina, aunts, uncles, cousins, relatives and the staff and his friends in the St. John of Gods Community. John loved music, playing pool and dancing. He lived with his mum until she died and then moved into the care of St. Raphael's Centre where he lived for many happy years. **May he rest in peace.**

Celbridge and Straffan Mother's Prayer Group: The next meeting of the parish mother's prayer group takes place on Tuesday 13th August at 8pm in St Brigid's Church, Straffan.

Mothers of all ages are very welcome. We will pray for our children, the children of the parish and children world-wide. We hope to see you there!

THE LIVING SPIRIT

The feast of the Assumption is a day of joy. God has won. Love has won. It has won life. Love has shown that it is stronger than death, that God possesses the true strength and that his strength is goodness and love. Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven: Mere is even room in God for the body Heaven is no longer a very remote sphere unknown to us.

We have a Mother in heaven. And the Mother of God, the Mother of the Son of God, is our Mother. He himself has said so. He made her our Mother when he said to the disciple and to all of us: "Behold, your Mother!" We have a Mother in heaven. Heaven is open, heaven has a heart ... Let us make God great in public and in private life. This means making room for God in our lives every day, starting in the morning with prayers, and then dedicating time to God, giving Sundays to God. We do not waste our free time if we offer it to God. If God enters into our time, all time becomes greater, roomier, richer. POPE BENEDICT XVI

CHILD PROTECTION: The Archdiocese of Dublin and the Parish of Celbridge and Straffan encourages the participation of children and young people in parish liturgies and in Diocesan activities in order to enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional and social development. We recognise the dignity and rights of all children, and are committed to ensuring their protection from all forms of abuse. This is a commitment binding on all priests and on those who work in our parish and our Diocesan offices and agencies. It extends to all the many and varied ways children share in the life of the Church in Celbridge and Straffan and in our Diocese THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD IS ALWAYS PARAMOUNT. The Dublin Diocese Director of the Child Protection service is Mr. Andrew Fagan 01 8360314. Our parish child protection officers are Maureen Giblin, Alan Stirling, Abike Odofin and can be contacted through the parish office.

Mass Times St Brigid's Church, Straffan

Saturday (Vigil) 6pm. Sunday 11am

Weekday Mass 9.15am

Confession before Mass Saturday at 6pm

Adoration Friday Mornings after Mass for an hour.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 12th 10am: Thomas Bean, Max Hunnisette (1st anniv)

Tue 13th 10am: Dick Crofton, Susan Teague, Margaret (Peg) Redmond

Wed 14th 10am: Elizabeth Dunne, Thomas Clinton

Thur 15th 10am: Claire Condron, special intention,

Fri 16th 10am: Philomena Cassoni, Vincent, Delia, Roseleen Rowan

Sat 17th 10am: Owen Walker, Marion McNally

Please Support our Weekly Parish Lotto

The profit from our Lotto goes to developing our Parish

The prize fund is now at €2750

The lotto envelopes can be placed in the safe at the back of the Church in St. Patricks & St. Brigid's & the collection bags at the Masses.

You pick four numbers between 1 -30

One line just €2, 3 lines €5.

This week the numbers were:

1st draw: 12,21,17,1. **2nd draw:** 14, 8, 28, 4

3 consolation prize winners :

Ann O' Sullivan, Katherine Price, Pat McCabe

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

For your attention: The school yard (church parking) will be locked 10 minutes after Mass is over on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

