



Planned Giving - weekly envelope collection amount was €1444.72. Thanks to all who contributed through the standing orders and the Planned Giving. Thanks also to the collectors and counters.

Welcome Fr. Joe P.P.

A new era begins. This weekend Fr. Joe McDonald begins his ministry as Parish Priest of Celbridge & Straffan. He brings with him an immense amount of experience. For the last number of years he has been the P.P. of St. Matthews, Ballyfermot. Fr. Joe has a great commitment to make the Church relevant to the people in modern Ireland.

We welcome him and together with him seek to contribute to build up our lively parish of Celbridge and Straffan.

LETTER OF ARCHBISHOP DIARMUID MARTIN IN SUPPORT OF THE CROSSCARE APPEAL

My Dear People,

This weekend the Annual Collection to support the work of Crosscare takes place and replaces the Share Collection at all Masses. Individuals, young people and families who have found themselves in situations of precariousness depend on our help and caring support.

Crosscare is the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin and sets out to ease the harsh burden that so many feel. For nearly 80 years now Crosscare has delivered services to respond to the many unmet needs in our society. It cares for young people whose voices may be unheard, for those who may be hungry, or without a home. Day by day, more and more people experience the dedicated support of Crosscare where they are welcomed in a spirit of respect, dignity and love. They are met as equals with the belief that everyone is created in the image and likeness of God.

Over the past decade, the crisis of homelessness and poverty has severely impacted thousands of people across our Diocese. Over 10,000 people are currently experiencing the pain and hurt of homelessness. The pain that homelessness brings upon the body is not only physical. The wounds it creates on the person's spirit and soul are far more painful.

In the gospel, Jesus urges humility and tells us when we serve the poor we will be blessed. Your continued generosity enables Crosscare develop new ways of working with vulnerable adults, families and young people providing support services across our parishes that will help build a better future for all.

On behalf of the staff, volunteers and vulnerable adults in Crosscare, I would like to thank you for your generous support over the years. I know that all who work at Crosscare take their work and responsibility very seriously and I urge you to support them once again in this appeal.

Yours sincerely
+ Diarmuid Martin,
Archbishop of Dublin.

PLEASE NOTE : The Parish Lotto will resume this Monday now that a new safe has been installed. All envelopes submitted last week will be included in this weeks draw.

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: Martin Purcell

Sunday 11am: Tom McCormack

St. Patrick's Church

Sat: 6.30pm: Patrick & Kathleen Burke (m.m.), Shane Clyne, Michael Dwyer

Sun: 8.30am: Bridget & Matthew Bragan, Mary & Jerry O' Hagan

9.30am: Noelle Kearns, Special intention

11am: Bill & Paul Burke, Hazel Cummins, Billy & Tommy Dunne, Michael & Mary Dunne

12.30pm: Derek Murray (m.m), Ann Armstrong, Bridget Dempsey, Elizabeth, John & Julia Byrne

7pm: Tony Farrell.

Recently Deceased: Donal Moynihan: We remember Donal in our prayers and offer our sympathy to his wife Teresa (Eileen), and his four daughters, Deirdre, Fiona, Denise and Moyra, extended family and friends. He had a great love of tennis and was an avid reader. He also was well travelled, with great connections in Africa especially Kenya where he spend time there in the military service. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

May he rest in peace

Age Action is running beginner computer classes for over 55's in Celbridge Community school Thursday mornings starting soon!! We train people on laptops, iPads or Tablets. The classes are for older people who have little or no computer experience (or for the absolutely terrified!). The aim of the Getting Started programme is to introduce people to the basics of computers, internet and email. Classes are taught by trained volunteer tutors who are transition year pupils on a one to one basis with small groups of learners in a relaxed, non-formal setting. For more information contact Age Action on 01 475 6989

Meditation will resume after the Summer break on Wednesday September 4th all are welcome

Meditation is a universal spiritual wisdom and a practice found at the core of all the great religious traditions. Christian Meditation is a way of prayer marked by silence stillness and simplicity-- prayer of the heart. In this prayer of silence, we go beyond words, thoughts and images into the presence of the loving God who dwells within each one of us.

We use a short prayer or phase called a mantra. Christian Meditation Ireland is part of the World Community for Christian Meditation which continues the work initiated 40 years ago by the Benedictine monk, John Main, to renew and share the ancient and simple Christian path of meditation.

We meet weekly **DAY: Wednesday, TIME: 7. 30 p.m.**

PLACE: St John of Gods Oratory Clane Road

Parking available on the left after the Mill. Entrance to the Oratory is through the 2ND Gate on the left-hand side after the carpark. New members are always welcome. No previous experience of meditation is necessary. **Contact Lucy : 0872394734** or Jean : **0863923166** for further information or just drop in.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 2nd 10am: Special intention, Sean Cotter

Tue 3rd 10am: Della Donegan, Donal Moynihan, special intention

Wed 4th 10am: Tom Finneran, Donal Moynihan, special intention

Thur 5th 10am: Bridie Dunphy

Fri 6th 10am: Altar list of the dead

Sat 7th 10am: John McGee, Bridie Dunphy, William Pratt, special intention

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.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will hold their monthly collection this Sunday 1st September in support of those less fortunate than ourselves. Every penny counts. Your support is vital to the service and very much appreciated. Please give generously.

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. 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
Confession before Mass Saturday at 6pm
Adoration Friday Mornings after Mass for an hour.