

**THE
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& BOLTS**

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Weekend Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Sat: 6.30pm: Pauline Fanning, Ria Young (1st anniv) Máire Uí Ainiféin

Sun 8.30am: Noreen O'Sullivan, Christy Maughan.

9.30am: Vincent O' Brien,

11am: Lorna Kirwin, Catherine (Katty) Stokes

12.30pm: Mark Cummins, Tom & Kathleen Cummins, Sean O' Connor, Michael & Anne Murphy,

7pm: Special intention

Weekend Mass Intentions

St. Brigid's Church

Sat 6pm: Laura Auzon

Sun 11am: Diane Alexandra

Weekdays; St. Brigid's Church

Mon 9 Mar 9.15am: Holy Souls

Fri Adoration after 9.15am Mass

Planned Giving-amount was 1864.47. Thanks to all who contributed through the standing orders and the Planned Giving. Thanks also to the collectors and counters.

SPECIAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR LENT 2020

SATURDAY MARCH 21ST 10 AM - 4PM

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES JESUS REALLY MAKE?

Lent is a great opportunity. In preparing for the great feast of Easter let us come closer to Jesus. This is a day of reflection led by Fr Joe McDonald which will help us renew our Lenten efforts, before the opportunity is gone for another year.

As places are limited early booking through the Parish Office is advised.

Weekday Mass Intentions St. Patrick's Church

Mon 9th Mar 10am: Sally Ann Lotz, Jim & May Kirby, Alphonus Cullinan

Tues 10th Mar 10am: Sarah Shorten, Jimmy Murphy, Christy Maughan

Wed 11th Mar 10am: Noreen O' Sullivan, Hugh Swan

Thur 12th Mar 10am: Iwuorie family, Chukwuneye & Nwosu family

Fri 13th Mar 10am: Angela Ryan, Christopher Kenna, Patrick Farrell

Sat 14th Mar 10am: Brid Keane, Mary Dely Hyland, Michael Myler

Celbridge and Straffan Mother's Prayer Group

The next meeting of the parish mother's prayer group takes place on Tuesday 10th March 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.



Please Support our Weekly Parish Lotto

The prize fund is now at €3700.

You pick four numbers between 1 - 30.

One line just €2, 3 lines €5.

This week 1st draw: 25, 14,24,29 2nd draw: 19, 3, 1, 2.

3 consolation prize winners:

Nancy Walsh, Jacinta Kane, John McCormack

Prizes can be collected in the Sacristy at weekend Mass times.

Prizes have to be collected within 30 days of the draw.

Our next draw will take place on Monday afternoon.

DAY OF PRAYER ASKING THE LORD FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

FRIDAY MARCH 13TH ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

BEGINS AND ENDS WITH MASS 10 am / 7 pm

During the day....

Eucharistic Adoration

Scripture Rosary

Sacred Music

Stations of the Cross

Sacred Silence

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

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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

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WARNING! DANGER! ALERT!

THE CORONAVIRUS AND YOUR SOUL!

Stop shaking hands, at least for the foreseeable future. Persist in good hand washing. Sneeze and cough mindful of others..into your elbow, not your hands and never just all over the place! Refrain from touching your eyes, nose and mouth. In addition to this very important advice here is something else you might consider.

TEN FAITH-FILLED QUESTIONS FOR FOLLOWERS OF JESUS

How do we respond to these challenging times as followers of Jesus?

Could there be a call to deepen your prayer life in all this?

Do these days remind us of our fragility and our need for God?

Does it give us a renewed gratitude for our health down to our very breath?

Does it sharpen our awareness for the sick among us?

Will it lead us to be more proactive in caring for our sick sisters and brothers?

Will this crisis deepen division within us, setting one follower of Jesus against another?

Will it lead to harsher judgement of fellow parishioners, 'who does she think she is?' 'Does he think he's better than me?'

Will the outbreak of coronavirus lead to an outbreak of greater tolerance, compassion and love for each other here in the faith community of St. Patrick and St. Brigid?

Do we believe that Jesus the Great Healer, is bigger and stronger than the 'virus'?

So my friends, let's listen to our health care professionals, let's avoid panic, let's be sensible. Let's be good to each other. Let's honour and respect each other. Let's pray for each other. No finger wagging. No tut tutting. No harsh judgment. We are better than that. We have a beautiful calling to be truly a sister and brother to each other.

Fraternally JoeMcD

PIZZA & POETRY KING OF DUBLIN

I was in Dublin this evening. In traffic
Looking round me at life
Around the Rotunda
It was then I saw them

A young Dad
Heavy enough with
A little boy high on his shoulders
A cheeky little boy for sure

There was something poor about them
Yet this evening this kid was the king of Dublin
Perched and proud. Untouchable
Dad more worried and strained. Not without love

They reminded me of us Happy Days
You're long gone Da! But not the love
Sure as they said long ago
You will never be dead....Whilst I'm alive

Yea two peas in a pod
Me and you
God that makes me proud
Warms me JoeMcD 25.05.19

PRAYER CORNER

PRAYER TO ST DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI

SAINT DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI (1840-1889), SERVANT OF GOD, SERVANT OF HUMANITY

God, our Father, we give thanks for Damien, our brother. Following Jesus, Your Son, he went to the lepers of Molokai, he became one of them even onto death; he showed them that You love them; he gave them back the pride of being human, and the hope of a future.

Therefore, we ask You; may we be resurrected by Your Spirit to walk in the footsteps of Damien, to be animated by the same faith.

Open our eyes, open our hearts, that we might go to all those abandoned, ignored, forgotten. Obtain that through us they may discover who You are. Raise up men and women ready to follow the road he has walked.

This is the prayer that we address to You, Father full of tenderness and love, You, our God, always and for all eternity. Amen.

Our Faith Community of St. Patrick & St. Brigid.