

# Biggest crowd ever at Clonard St. Brigid's Day celebrations

MASS attendances may be down but last week's annual celebration of the feast of St Brigid at Clonard Church saw the highest attendance ever.

Just over 200 St Brigid's Day crosses were distributed at Sunday evening's service and many more were brought to the church by parishioners themselves.

One of the organisers Emily Puscas said: 'We had the biggest crowd ever and lots of people travelled from outside of Wexford to be there.'

The celebration was started a number of years ago and used to take place in the Day Chapel. But it was decided to host it in the Main Church this year because numbers attending the event have crept up in recent years.

Sr Mary O'Dwyer organises the event every year, collecting rushes to make the crosses.

But this year, as Sr Mary had suffered an injury to her hand, members of the Notre Dame group of students stepped up to the mark to craft over 200 crosses in just under two weeks.



■ Organiser Emily Puscas at the St. Brigid's Day celebrations in Clonard Church.