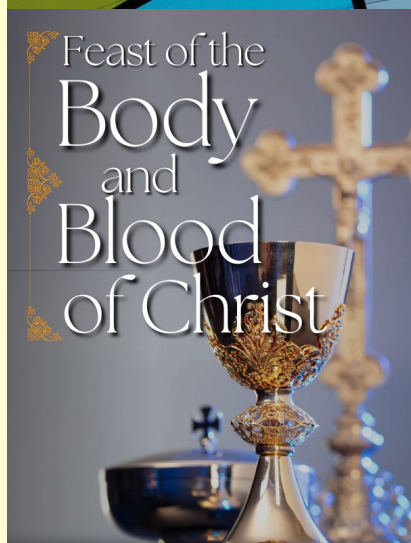


# ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 22ND JUNE 2025 YEAR C



## Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ

Exams are over! School's out...well nearly! For most students the stress of the Junior and Leaving Cert exams over the past two weeks has come to an end and they can look forward to a well earned rest. Primary schools have only one more week left, so I'm sure parents, children and teachers are eagerly looking forward to the summer holidays. We all need a break from routine, a change of scene and rhythm, to recharge our mental, physical and spiritual batteries. The longer days and mild temperatures encourage us to get out in the fresh air and immerse ourselves in nature, which at this time of year speaks of God's delight in life and in abundance. Take time to enjoy being with loved ones. My younger brothers often say that, despite the restrictions or maybe because of them, Covid brought an unexpected gift: the joy of having their adult children around the table with them each evening. May this summer bring memories to cherish! And as we enjoy our downtime, let us remember those who desperately need a break from the daily nightmare of war, shelling, hunger, and the loss of loved ones. May they too receive the gift of peace.

Having celebrated Pentecost two weeks ago, the mystery of the Trinity last Sunday, this weekend we celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. If it's a solemnity that reminds us that the Eucharist is the very heart of our Christian faith and life, which is the reason we gather each Sunday. It is also a celebration of our deepest identity as Christians. Through Baptism we are incorporated into Christ, we become a brother or sister in Christ, we receive his risen life through the Spirit. At Sunday Mass we are nourished for our following of Christ through hearing his Word proclaimed and by sharing at the table of the Eucharist. Our Communion is with Christ and with one another, and we are sent forth from our Sunday gathering to bring Christ's compassion and care to others. As the late Pope Francis writes towards the end of his Memoir, Hope, *'what matters is not that we are believers, but that we are believable'*! St. Teresa of Avila captures our calling in her poem:

*'Christ has no body now but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
Yours are the eyes with which he looks  
Compassion on this world,  
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,  
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.  
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,  
Yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours.'*

**Fr Richard**

MASS WITH  
ANOINTING  
OF THE SICK  
Sunday 13th July  
at 5:00pm




♥ St Cronan's Church  
Brackenstown Parish

Any parishioners who are housebound and who would like to attend the Mass in person are invited to contact the parish office, and we will arrange transport with the aid of the Order of Malta.

Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Parish Centre

Mass with Anointing of the Sick will take place at 5.00pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July in St. Cronan's Church. We hope to be joined by priests and parishioners from the parishes in our partnership at this special Mass where we celebrate Christ's healing love in a sacramental way. Parishioners who are housebound and in need of transport are asked to contact the parish office, and the Order of Malta will try to organise transport. Refreshments will be served after the Mass in the parish centre.



Join us for the  
**Family Mass**  
@ St. Cronan's  
Saturday, 21st June  
@ 6:00pm

Join us for our *Family Mass* at 6.00pm this Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, as we invite back all those who have celebrated their First Holy Communion this year. It will be our last *Family Mass* before the summer break.

SUNDAY MASSES: (Sat Vigil) 6pm; 9am; 11am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY to SATURDAY 10:00am

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10:45am to 11:30am in the Sacristy

ADORATION: MON, TUES, THURS & SAT: 10:30AM—11:30AM WEDNESDAY: 6pm - 9pm FRIDAY: 3pm—6pm

All our ceremonies are broadcast online at [www.brackenstown-parish.com](http://www.brackenstown-parish.com)

## BLESSING OF GRAVES — FINGAL AREA

Sunday	22nd June	1:45 pm	Malahide	Prayers
Sunday	29th June	3:00 pm	Whitestown	Prayers
Sunday	29th June	11:30 am	Swords	Mass
Sunday	6th July	11:30 am	Lusk	Mass
Sunday	6th July	1:30 pm	Balbriggan	Mass
Sunday	6th July	3:00 pm	St Margaret's	Prayers
Sunday	13th July	3:30 pm	Rolestown	Mass
Sunday	13th July	3:00 pm	Balgriffin	Prayers
Sunday	20th July	3:30 pm	Donabate	Mass
Friday	15th August	7:30 pm	Garristown	Prayers
Friday	15th August	6:30 pm	Ballyboughal	Prayers
Sunday	17th August	3:00 pm	Balscadden	Mass
Sunday	7th September	4:00 pm	The Naul	Prayers

### PARTNERSHIP:

Parishioners in our (Fingal North) Deanery are invited to participate in a **Pilgrimage to Glendalough** on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July. The cost €50 includes coach, guided pilgrimage walk and a light lunch per person. Places are very limited, so please complete this online registration form <https://forms.office.com/e/Gw3t0cdTBc> Your booking is confirmed on receipt of payment. The link you will need to make payment is <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QODGX217> Please note that even if you originally indicated by email that you were interested in going, please do fill out the online form to ensure your place and for clarity on numbers.

A small number of 5<sup>th</sup> Year Students from Colaiste Choilm have been selected to participate as volunteers for the annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in September. The students will have a special role in looking after the needs of sick or infirm pilgrims who will be travelling to Lourdes with the Dublin pilgrimage. The students will speak at Mass on the weekend of 28/29 June and will also hold a church gate collection after each mass. Your generous support of their endeavours will be greatly appreciated.

There will be no parish newsletter published for the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> June. The parish office will be open from 10:30am to 12 noon in the coming week. Normal office hours will resume on Monday 30th June.



We would like to thank our senior and young adult choirs, who will take a well earned summer break at the end of this month. We also thank our children's choir who finish up at the Family Mass this weekend.

The parish currently has two **defibrillators**: one in the sacristy corridor and one fixed to the wall facing you as you enter the parish centre. However, they are of little value if people have not been trained how to use them **The Order of Malta has kindly offered to provide training in using a defibrillator** to any parish volunteer who is fit enough and willing to take part. You never know when it might make all the difference to someone else, if you have some understanding of how to apply a defibrillator. The Order of Malta will train a max. of six people at any one session. If we are oversubscribed, they will do another session for a second group of six. Please contact the parish office by next Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June (D-Day) if you are willing to participate.

**Vocations Society of St Joseph** (formerly St Joseph's Young Priests Society) had their annual outdoor collection on 24/25 May and raised €1236.00. A very sincere thank you to the parishioners of St Cronan's Church for your generous donations and continued support.

**Calmness Within Yoga Class, Gentle Chair Yoga with Caroline** takes place in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre.

4 Week Yoga Class—€50 Monday 9th June from 11am to 12:15pm

4 Week Yoga Class—€50 starting Wednesday 4th June from 7pm—8:15pm Contact Caroline for more information on 087 6913028.

### Religious Goods- Suitable for the home

Baptism, Confirmation and Communion gifts/items, Statues, ornaments, children's colouring books, bibles and lots more available at Repository on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings.



**Legion  
of Mary**

## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

### Recently Deceased

Seamus Feehan

### Anniversaries

Pat (1A), Bernadette &

Siobhán Casey

Shane Behan (4A)

Anne Scully

Rosaleen, Jack & Dermot

O'Connell

Harry Hanratty

Kevin Donnelly

Michael & Maisie Hughes

Nuala Ryan

## 10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon	Elsie Shackley (RD)
Tues	Carmel & Dan Byrne & Dcsd Family Members
Wed	Rita Krakus (RD)
Thur	Nathan (23BR), Daniel, Mary Sinead, John & Mary Maughan John & Nora McDonagh (R)
Fri	Mary & Bernadette Leggett (A)
Sat	Special Intention

**Prayer Resources for the Jubilee  
Year can be found at**

<https://dublindiocese.ie/jubilee2025/>

The latest edition of *Mission & Ministry Matters* is available by [clicking here](#)

### Bethany Bereavement Support Group

offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it

**Please phone Terri on 8403243,  
or Brid on 086 6006397**

*"I ask you Lord to be kind to them now,  
who were always kind to me here"*

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