



PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th March 2017 ✠ 4th Sunday of Lent ✠ Year A

Week of Prayer 26th - 31st March



Each week in our parish, there are a variety of ways in which people gather to pray and worship. During this special Week of Prayer we will be offering a variety of additional prayer experiences. Every day this week we will begin with Morning Prayer of the Church at 9:20am and ending each day with Night Prayer of the Church at 9:00pm.

During the afternoons the Church will be open for quiet reflection and there will be a number of Prayer Stations around the Church for you to use.

The following prayer experiences will also be available on the evenings of this week:

- Monday - Celebration of Liturgy of the Word
- Tuesday - Medjugorje Prayer (in Pastoral Centre)
- Wednesday - Adoration
- Thursday - Taizé Prayer
- Friday - Stations of the Cross

Some parishioners will be taking part in a Week of Guided Prayer accompanied by a Prayer Guide. We ask you to remember all those taking part in your prayers this week.

For further details see timetable on page 2.

'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?'

This week's
Prayer by text 

THURSDAYS FOR Trócaire
For Lent the proceeds from the Thursday Morning cuppa after Mass in the Pastoral Centre will be for Trócaire. There will also be an Easter Egg Raffle and tickets are available every morning. Come in and support us on Thursdays.

MASS INTENTIONS

- 6:30pm:** Paddy Harrington (1st A)
- 9:00am:** Altar List of the Dead
- 11:00pm:** Dcsd members of Ellison, Maginn & Barker Families
- 12:30pm:** Enda Rogers (A)
- 5:30pm:** Brendan O'Reilly (2nd A)

PRAY FOR

- May Corrigan (A)
- Bartle Savage (A)
- Eileen Reilly (A)

MASSES NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** Rose & Patrick Duffy (A)
- Tues:** V. Delaney (RD)
- Wed:** James Markham (A)
- Thurs:** Dcsd members of Fitzpatrick & Duffy Families
- Pray for:** Derek Moore (4th A)
- Fri:** Phyllis Boyle (RD)
- Sat:** Alphonsus Skelton (MM)

Please take this Newsletter home

Week of Prayer 27th - 31st March

MONDAY 27 th	TUESDAY 28 th	WEDNESDAY 29 th	THURSDAY 30 th	FRIDAY 31 st	SATURDAY 1 st
9:20am Morning Prayer	9:20am Morning Prayer	9:20am Morning Prayer	9:20am Morning Prayer	9:20am Morning Prayer	9:20am Morning Prayer
9.40am Rosary	9.40am Rosary	9.40am Rosary	9.40am Rosary	9.40am Rosary	9.40am Rosary
10:00am Mass with Miraculous Medal Novena	10:00am Mass	10:00am Mass	10:00am Mass	10:00am Mass	10:00am Mass
10:30am - 11:30am Adoration	10:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet	10:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet	10:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet	10.30am – 5.45pm Adoration	10:30am - 11:30am Adoration & Confessions
3 - 4pm Quiet Time/ Meditation for families after school	3 - 4pm Quiet Time/ Meditation for families after school	3 - 4pm Quiet Time/ Meditation for families after school	3 - 4pm Quiet Time/ Meditation for families after school		6:30pm Mass
7:30pm Celebration of a Liturgy of the Word	7:30pm Medjugorje Prayer in Pastoral Centre	6pm-11pm Adoration	7:30pm Taizé Prayer	7:30pm Stations of the Cross	7:30pm Meeting of Participants of Week of Guided Prayer (in Rivervalley Parish)
8:30pm Tea/ Coffee in Pastoral Centre	8:30pm Tea/ Coffee in Pastoral Centre		8:30pm Tea/ Coffee in Pastoral Centre	8:30pm Tea/ Coffee in Pastoral Centre	Prayer Stations in Church during week
9:00pm Night Prayer	9:00pm Night Prayer	9:00pm Night Prayer	9:00pm Night Prayer	9:00pm Night Prayer	

You are invited to join us during this special week whenever you can.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross and Easter Sunday Celebration of the Resurrection

We are looking for children to take part in acting out the Stations of the Cross at 12:00noon on Good Friday and the Resurrection on Easter Sunday at 12:30 Mass. If your child would like to be involved please fill in the pink form at the back of the Church or email brackenstownparish@gmail.com. There will be practices in Holy Week and the person designated as contact on the form will be the one whom we will be in touch with.



PARISH DIARY

DATE	EVENT
MARCH 2017	
26 - 31 MAR	Week of Prayer in the Parish
APRIL 2017	
9TH APR	PALM SUNDAY
10 - 15 APR	HOLY WEEK
10 APR	RECONCILIATION SERVICE - RIVERVALLEY 7:30PM
11 APR	RECONCILIATION SERVICE - BRACKENSTOWN 7:30PM
13 APR	HOLY THURSDAY- MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:30PM
14 APR	GOOD FRIDAY
15 APR	EASTER VIGIL 9PM
16 APR	EASTER SUNDAY
THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE	

ST CRONAN'S STATUE

2017 marks 40 years since our Church was opened. The Parish has commissioned a significant piece of artwork to mark the occasion and to honour our patron, St Cronan. Donation envelopes are available at the back of Church. So far we have raised €3,110 of the €5,302 cost of the project. All donations of €20 or more will receive a St Cronan Statue donation certificate. Thank you to all who already support the Parish finances so generously, it is much appreciated.



Ireland has been personally chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families in August 2018. In order to be able to invite families and individuals from every part of the world to this amazing event, national Sunday collections will take place. On the weekend of 1st/2nd April, the SHARE (2nd) collection will be replaced by this collection - your generosity is appreciated. For more information go to www.worldmeeting2018.ie





Cake Sale

in Parish Pastoral Centre

MOTHER'S DAY

26th March 2017

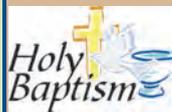
After all Masses

9am, 11am & 12:30pm

All proceeds to Pietre & Carrie Anne who are going with

St. Andrew's Community Youth Pilgrimage to Fatima for the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima

Please come & give your support & surprise your mum with a cake for Mother's Day!!



Next dates for Baptisms:

22nd April 12:30 pm
23rd April 1:45 pm
Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

The next Parent Meeting is **Thursday 6th April** at 8:00pm in St. Cronan's Parish Centre

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Over the next few weeks there will be a series of faith talks which will be an input, discussion over coffee and prayer on the following Thursday evenings at 7:30pm in the Pastoral Centre.

30th March – The Creed

6th April – The Meaning of the Easter Triduum



Come and join us in the Parish Pastoral Centre on Tuesday - Friday, 18th - 21st April from 9:00am - 12:00pm.

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CHRISTIAN READING

A selection of Booklets including Lent with Matt Talbot, Sacred Heart Messenger, St. Martin Magazine, Children's Books and Catholic Newspapers available from bookrack on back wall of Church.

LENT

Did you give up something? ... Why not take up something! If you could give 20 - 30 minutes per month, you could do a lot to spread the Good News. Help needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish... e.g. **Knocksedan, Glasmore Park, Ashton, Castleview etc.** Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after weekend Masses, or leave your name and phone number with Louise in parish office.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mon: 10.30 am – 11.30 am
Wed: 6.00 pm – 11.00 pm
Fri: 10.30 am – 5.45pm
Sat: 10.30am – 11.30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Sunday during Lent from 4pm—5pm. Can you stay one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer books, beads, medals, gifts, cards as well as Confirmation gifts etc. available in main porch, after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

FAMILY OFFERING

We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

January Standing Order € 4,158

Outdoor Collection €865.30

Annals/Half Yearly €600.00

BINGO

Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm
Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The collection amounts for the St. Vincent De Paul for January €1048.60, February €1269.22 and March €1,156.99. Many thanks to all who supported these collections.

COOLMINE THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITY

A grand total of €1,017.30 was raised at the recent Church Gate Collection which was absolutely fantastic. We would like to thank the parishioners most sincerely for their generosity and continued support.

THE ROSARY

Prayer is of vital importance in our lives. We pray in praise, petition, thanksgiving. Our Lady asks us to pray the Rosary. Why not make a new start? Having the Statue of Our Lady in your home for a week should help you to take the first step. Just leave your name & contact details with a member of Legion of Mary after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses and arrangements will be made to suit you.



Please 'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords on Facebook!

PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Times:

Sunday: 6:30pm (Sat. Vigil); 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm

Weekday Mass:

Monday to Saturday 10:00am

Holiday Mass:

Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am

Confession:

Saturday 10:30am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm

Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,
Fr. Joseph Njanackal, C.S.T., C.C.
Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker
Louise Donnelly, Secretary

After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday
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01 8408926 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com
089 4614226 – peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie
01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com
Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm



CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

8/9 April
VDP Monthly Collection

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS (Replaces Share Collection at Mass)

25/26 March
Crosscare Youth Services Collection
1/2 April
World Meeting of Families Collection



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