

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

2ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

14TH JANUARY 2024

YEAR B

HAVE YOU SOME TIME EACH MONTH/WEEK TO GET INVOLVED?

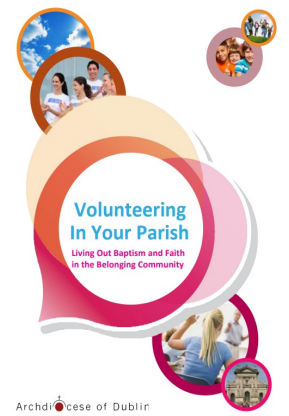


TALK TO A MEMBER OF THE MINISTRY YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INVOLVED IN AFTER 11:00 AM MASS THIS SUNDAY 14TH JANUARY OR CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

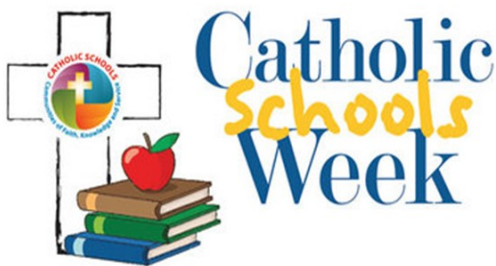
Last Sunday, we celebrated the Baptism of Jesus, an event which marks the beginning of his public ministry of proclaiming in word and action the kingdom of God. This reminds us that baptism is the foundation of all mission and ministry in the Church. It is our first experience of being 'called'. The Building Hope initiative, upon which parishes in the diocese have embarked, reminds us that the future of Christian life and mission in our parish will depend increasingly on the willingness of parishioners to

activate their baptismal calling by participating in parish ministry and activity. So it is timely that we celebrate Ministry Sunday in our parish this weekend. Each of our parish ministries and groups is invited to have an information point in the church at the 11.00am Mass, so that parishioners can see what ministries are available in our parish and which ministry or activity they might like to get involved in. A sign up chart, listing the various ministries and activities in the parish, will be available at the other weekend Masses, so that parishioners interested in a particular ministry or activity can leave their name and contact details.

Fr. Richard



Archdiocese of Dublin



Catholic Schools Week

runs from 21st-27th January.

This year's theme for the week is: *Catholic Schools: Communities of Service*. St Cronan's Junior NS will be hosting Grandparents Day on **Thursday 25th January**.

The monthly *Grow in Love* Mass in preparation for **First Reconciliation and First Communion** takes place this **Saturday at 6.00pm and Sunday at 5.00pm**

The Hospitality Committee will host tea/coffee in the parish centre after 11:00am this Sunday 14th January.

Scripture Classes resume on Monday 29th January from 7:30 to 9:00pm All Welcome!



The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** runs from 18th-25th January. The theme this year is: 'You shall love the Lord, your God... and your neighbour as yourself (Luke 10:7).

Many thanks to parishioners and visitors who have returned **Christmas Offerings**, which support the priests of the parish and of the diocese. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Thanks also to parishioners who donated **Epiphany Gifts**, which were delivered to the **Alice Leahy Trust** during the week.

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

This Sunday the 164th Brackenstown Scout Group are organising a **car wash** day. They will have a stand outside the church after Mass, where parishioners are invited to sign up for a car wash, which will take place outside the scouts den. They are also selling tea/coffee in the den while the car is being washed. The initiative is to help fund their venture camp in Belgium next August.

164TH BRACKENSTOWN SCOUT GROUP



SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased
David Kelly
Patricia Hayes
Pat O'Neill

Month's Mind
Bill Barry
Dean Cox
Liam McDonnell

Anniversaries
Rhea Kinsella (1A)
Oliver Dignam (3A)
Martin Lawrence (3A)
V. Delaney (7A)
Noel Flynn (10A)
Lena Walsh (36A)
Jula Pentony
Stephen O'Gorman
John Gallagher
Theo Dunne
Peter Harford
Donald, Josephine & Thomas Macken
John & Annie Conroy
Josephine Noone

Advance Notice: I am Mark, a daring new staging of St. Mark's Gospel, performed by Stefan Smart, will take place in our church towards the end of February. It will be a ticket only affair. More details in the next week or two.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group
offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it
Please phone Bridget 085 2812985 Sunday to Saturday 14th—20th January from 6pm-8pm
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

After school religion classes in preparation for First Communion and Confirmation recommence in the Parish Centre on **Tuesday 9th January at 3pm**. Parents of children attending Year 2 classes for both First Communion and Confirmation are invited to participate in a zoom session as part of the Seeds of Faith programme on Tuesday 16th January. A zoom link will be sent to the relevant parents that morning. This does not apply to First Communion or Confirmation candidates in St. Cronan's NS or Gaelscoil Bhrian Boroimhe.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents **on Wednesday 17th January at 7:15pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924**. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

One-day **Retreats** for 6th class pupils preparing for Confirmation will take place in the Parish Centre on **Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th January and Wednesday 24th January from 10am-2.30pm**. There was to be a retreat for the children attending Swords and Thornleigh Educate Together schools on Saturday 27th January, but owing to secondary school entrance exams being on the same day, the retreat date has been brought forward to **Saturday 20th January**.

We ask people attending funerals in the church not to double park along the roads around the church, especially Park Avenue. We ask all those who may be attending a funeral to be conscious of where they are parking, especially if it means possible access for a fire brigade or ambulance would be impeded.

10 AM MASSES

Mon Richard & Eva Kearns (A)
Tues Thomas Donovan (A)
Wed Daniel (31R), Nathan & Mary Sinead Maughan
Thur Liam Campbell (RD)
Michael Pentony (RD)
Fri Cecelia Corcoran (RD)
Sat Special Intention

A Sip of Support RETREAT
DATE: Saturday 10 February 2024
TIME: 10:00— 17:00
LOCATION: White Sands Hotel, Portmarnock
COST: €50.00 (this includes Tea/Coffee & a light sandwich lunch)

A GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP RETREAT
On the day we will have speakers, some group discussions, meditation and more!
Tickets must be purchased in advance:
Payments by Revolut: [revolut.me/sharon4v9](https://www.revolut.me/sharon4v9)
Text: 0879858837 (to confirm payment) Reference your full name in the payment
Cash: You can purchase tickets at one of our weekly meetings
If you have any queries or dietary requirements, please contact our Instagram Page; Facebook Page or Email: haveaisipswords@gmail.com

Reflection/Meditation on Sunday's Gospel with Martina Lehane Sheehan (Ruah Retreats)
Join us for free online weekly sessions to strengthen our hope and nourish the soul.
Sunday Evenings 6.45p.m. (Online)

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Does Baptism remind you of your identity and mission?

Legion of Mary The third **Patrician Meeting of 2023/2024** season will put a spotlight on our understanding of our own baptism. There will be reflections on how the sacrament was celebrated, how faith grew after baptism and how the grace of baptism unfolded. Also profound insights from Pope Francis. All are most welcome. **Thursday 18th January at earlier time of 7:30pm in Brackenstown Parish Pastoral Centre.**