CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

1st August 2021 Year B 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of Prayer or Grandparents and the Eld





It was wonderful to be able to have a celebration last Sunday of Grandparents and the Elderly. Even though the sun was shining the warmest place was in the smiles of the grandparents with their grandchildren. As these picture show, everyone enjoyed the day and it began with the Mass celebrated by Archbishop Jude whose joy spread out to all who were there and who ioined us on the webcam.

Thank you to those who have worked over the last number of weeks to make it happen:

Niamh who co-ordinated everything, the organising group: Marie, Monica, Ann, Mary, Elaine, Anne, Andrea and Sean; our fantastic catering team, our music ministry, those who set up the church and cleaned the grounds, Pascal for organising and overseeing the planting of the Yew Tree.

We thank the Catholic Grandparents Association for inviting us to host the Mass.

We also thank: The Swords Unit of the Order of Malta; Keelings for sponsoring the seeds & Book Haven for sponsoring the bags for the goodies.









PATHWAYS 2021

Thursday Evening Course for Adults Venue: DCU St. Patrick's Campus, (MDCCE), Drumcondra, Dublin, 9 **Exploring Faith as an Adult**

The Pathways Programme is geared towards those who wish to explore issues and questions of: faith; ministry; the Church today and the nature of belief, in an environment appropriate to Adult Learning and Adult Faith Development.

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings. Run by the

Archdiocese of Dublin in DCU St. Patrick's Campus (MDCCE), Drumcondra Road. Late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m). Application now open for September 2021. Early application advised. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie. Web: www.evangelisation.ie

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

Archbishop Farrell is asking for people and priests to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on a regular basis. He has appointed Fr. Séamus McEntee as the new Director of Vocations to the Priesthood with Fr. Bill O'Shaughnessy as the new Assistant Vocations Director. Fr. Séamus has assisted on the vocations team for the past seven years and is working alongside Fr. Bill in this exciting role of assisting men discern their call to priesthood as well as vocations promotion. Let us pray that God will continue to call enthusiastic men to the priesthood for our Archdiocese. If you know of anyone who thinks they might have a vocation to be a priest or is interested in finding out more about being a priest for the Archdiocese of Dublin, please ask them to contact either Fr. Séamus or Fr. Bill on the Vocations Team at: vocations@dublindiocese.ie or check out: Vocations | Archdiocese of Dublin (dublindiocese.ie). As you are well aware, the need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest".



First Holy Communion 2022 & Confirmation 2022

THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information:



Register your child

online now for the Sacraments of

First Holy Communion

& Confirmation 2022

www.brackenstown-parish.com

Email: info@loughderg.org Telephone: 071 9861518 Website: www.loughderg.org

Statues of St. Joseph, Candles of Hope with Pope Francis' **Prayer for Protection from the Coronavirus** are available by emailing: brackenstownparish@gmail.com

Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

FAMILY OFFERING & CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Many thanks to all parishioners and non-parishioners who continue to support the parish financially. The total contributions for May and June 2021 are as follows:

MAY: Family Offering: €5,589.55 Standing Orders: €3,151.00 First Collection: €4,792.73 Second Collection: €3,221.49

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JUNE: Family Offering: €3,695.69

Standing Orders: €3,278.00

Second Collection: €2,076.09

First Collection: €3,538.01



10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK Mon: Special Intention **Tues:** Peter Troy (Rem) Wed: Marian Movement for Priests Thur: Michael Kelly (48A) Fri: Sean Troy (A) Sat: **Special Intention**

ALL MASSES INTENTIONS **SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST 21**

Anniversaries Shane Behan (MM) Michael Clare (MM) Brigid (Phyllis) Byrne (1A) Diana Ukutu (A) Baby Sophie Lyons (A) Kenneth Regan (A) Catherine McNally (A) Mary Tormey (A) Christopher Reilly (2A) Gerard Kenny (2A) George Daly (3A)

Recently Deceased

Msza w języku Polskim

Msza św. w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę 8 sierpnia o godzinie 15:00. Spowiedź odbędzie się o 14:30 w Centrum

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