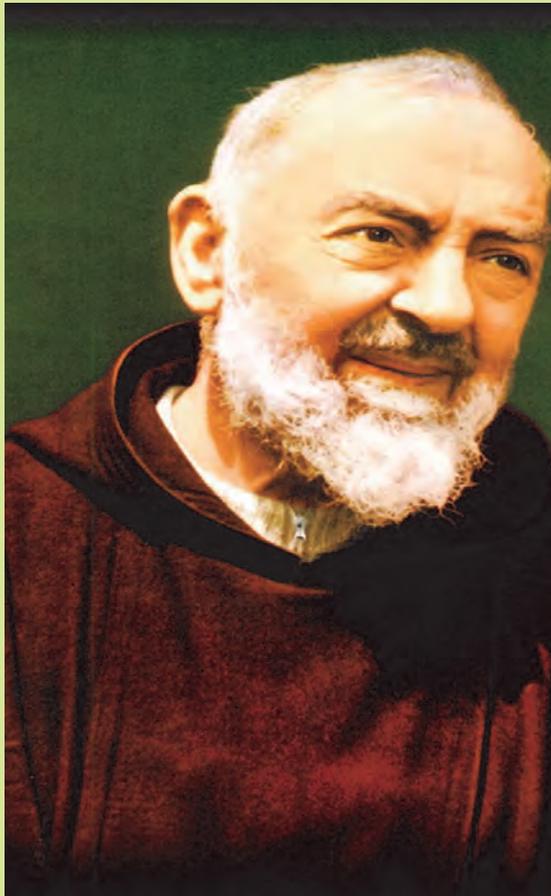




Parish Newsletter

26th November 2017 ✠ *Christ the King* ✠ Year A



PADRE PIO

MASS OF HEALING

Celebrated by

Br Martin Bennett O.F.M. Cap
Br. Bryan Shorthall O.F.M. Cap
Br. Philip Baxter O.F.M. Cap

Friday 1st DECEMBER 7.30pm

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

ALL ARE WELCOME

Celebrating 40 years



You are invited to join us as we celebrate
40 years since the Blessing & Dedication
of St. Cronan's Church
with a special Mass on
Monday 11th December at 7:30pm
If you have any old photos of the Church,
please email or drop them into the parish office

MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Muriel Kennedy (10th A)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
11:00am: Michael Harvey (1st A)
12:30pm: Marie & Michael Reynolds &
Dcsd Family Members (A)
5:30pm: Melissa & Liam McCourt (A)

PRAY FOR

Lawrence Hoey (A)
Phelim Kelly (A)
Thomas Hatch (2nd A)
Mary Quinn (60th A)
Ellen Slattery (A)
Irene Colgan (RD)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Special Intention
Tues: Patrick Kearns (A)
Wed: Annie Conroy (RD)
Thurs: Patricia Lacey (A)
Fri: Tess Rabbitte (RD)
Sat: Sr. Margaret Hilliard (MM)

Please take this Newsletter home

PARISH DIARY

CHRISTMAS FLORAL DEMONSTRATION
 In St. Cronan's Parish Centre
 Ideas for the Christmas table and around the house by award winning Maura Worthington who arranges our Church Flowers.
28TH NOVEMBER
TIME 7:30PM
TEA & COFFEE
FEE: €5.00
 Fundraiser with proceeds to St. Cronan's Parish Centre
 ALL FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE RAFFLED ON THE NIGHT

DATE	EVENT
NOVEMBER 2017	
25th	Come Follow Me - Being Mass @ 6:30pm
26th	Come Follow Me - Being Mass @ 12:30pm
28th	Christmas Floral Demo by Maura Worthington @ 7:30pm
DECEMBER 2017	
1st	Healing Mass with Relic of St. Padre Pio @ 7:30pm
4th	Do This In Memory Preparation Group Meeting @ 7:30pm
5th	Parkinson's Assoc Group Meeting at 10:30am
5th	Come Follow Me Preparation Group Meeting @ 7:30pm
7th	Patrician's Monthly Meeting @ 8pm
8th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses at 10am & 7:30pm
9th	DTIM Mass @ 6:30pm
10th	DTIM Mass @ 12:30pm
10th	Polish Mass @ 3:30pm
11th	40th Anniversary Celebrations of Blessing & Dedication of St. Cronan's Church @ 7:30pm
12th	Forget Me Not Café @ 7:00pm
14th	Christmas Carol Service @ 6:30pm
15th	Taizé Prayer Around The Cross @ 7:30pm
16th	Come Follow ME - Believing Mass @ 6:30pm
17th	Come Follow ME - Believing Mass @ 12:30pm

Prayer by Text

We are again offering the *Prayer by Text* during **ADVENT** for this year. You can register for this by putting your details in the suggestion box at the back of the Church or emailing brackenstownparish@gmail.com.



THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

Bethany Bereavement Support

Would you like to train and become a Bethany Bereavement Support Group Member?
 A Bethany Bereavement Training Course is coming up in All Hallows, Gracepark Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9. If you are interested, please contact a member of Bethany Bereavement: Terri 8403243, Brid 086 6006397 or Mary 8402652.
 Their meetings are on Monday nights - 27th of November, 11th December, 8th January & 29th January in the Parochial House, Seatown Road, Swords @ 7.30pm. All are welcome to sit in. This is a free & confidential service.

Travelling Crib

If your family would like to host our Parish Travelling Crib during Advent, please fill in one of the forms and put it in the box at the back of Church or hand into the Parish Office.



Holy Baptism

The next Parent Meeting is
Thursday 7th December
 Next dates for Baptisms:
Sat 9th December 12:30pm
Wed 27th December at 1:30pm
Sat 30th December 1:45pm

Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

SAOIRSE AA GROUP

Every Wednesday 8:00pm
BASE Building
 Brackenstown Road
 Phone: 087 620

Alcohol Problem? You're not alone



Bambinelli Sunday

For the past several decades, each year on Gaudete Sunday, the 3rd Sunday of Advent, children & adults bring their Baby Jesus figures from the crib at their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope blesses both the people and the figurines during the Angelus. This year we will celebrate "Bambinelli Sunday" at all Masses in St. Cronan's Church on Sunday 17th December so please bring your infant Baby Jesus along to be blessed. You will receive a card with the World Meeting of Families Prayer, a prayer for putting the baby in the crib and Grace before your Christmas dinner.



Brackenstown Parish Pilgrimage to Poland
1st-7th July 2018

Based in Krakow to include Wadowice, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mines and the Shrine of Sr. Faustina
Price: €835.00 per person sharing
Checked in bag: Euro 70.00 approx. – 15 kg
Single room supplement: €35.00 per night (limited availability)
 Further details from the Parish Office

SVP Society of St. Vincent De Paul

The SVP Shop in 1 Castle Shopping Centre, Bridge Street, Swords is holding a Toy Event on Thursday 30th November and a Customer Event on Thursday 14th December.

We are seeking donations of items in good condition for re-sale. What can I donate? Wearable Clothing, Jewellery, Fashion Accessories
 New Box Set Perfumes/Creams etc.
 New toys, books, DVDs, CDs etc.
 Saleable Household items.

By donating to our shops, not only will you be freeing up space in your home, you will also be making a real difference to people in your community. Your support is very much appreciated.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES "CHILDREN'S FAMILY ALBUM"

Children are invited to create what family means to them. Please put your name and age on the reverse side of work. **The closing date is 3rd December.** There will be a prize for each category and all entries will be photographed & displayed at World Meeting of Families 2018.



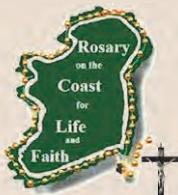
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our new Pastoral Council have begun meeting and have elected their Chairperson and Secretary. They will be commissioned during the Mass to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Church on Monday 11th December. During this Mass we will also thank the outgoing Pastoral Council for the work that they have done during their term of office. The membership of the new Pastoral Council is: Chairperson Willie Curtis, Secretary Rosaleen Devery, Sophia Fox, Chiara Invidia, Mary O'Callaghan, Ann Cullen, Paul Moreland, Teresa McQuillan, Joseph Galvin, Jenny O'Sullivan, Doreen Keaney, Delfin Tejada and Peter Siney.

We wish them every blessing as they begin their term of office.



Today (Sunday 26th November) is the feast of "Christ the King" and all around the coast of our country the Rosary is being said for the protection of family life. The people of Swords are invited to assemble near the Swords Sailing & Boating Club at approx. 2.15pm. Please join us for this wonderful occasion and let's give our families and country back to the rightful owner "Christ the King". For updates please visit the website: www.coastalrosaryireland.ie.



**Join us in St. Cronan's
Pastoral Centre for
TAIZÉ PRAYER
AROUND THE CROSS
on
FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER
AT 7:30PM - 8:30PM**

Envelope system for the 1st & Share Collections

Thank you to those who have returned the forms that were inserted in the parish newsletter. 109 households have already requested to be included in the envelope system. As mentioned, there are substantial benefits to be gained by using an envelope system for the 1st Collection and Share Collection at no cost to anyone. Information sheets on how this system works are available on the tables. We invite those who would like to participate in this system to return the forms as soon as possible. Forms may be placed in the white post boxes in the Church or returned to the parish office. Thank you for your support.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Advent Calendars, crib figures, Christmas Cards etc. available in main porch after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

THE ROSARY

Praying for a special intention? Praying for Peace? The 'Rosary Statue' was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary again and have the rosary statue in your home for a week, or get more information, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

EASY EVANGELISATION!

Could you give 20-30 minutes per month, to help spread the Good News? **Helpers needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!"** in a number of areas of the parish...eg **Ormond, Knocksedan, Ashton, Castleview etc.** Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone no. 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 on the last Sunday of every month from 4pm—5pm. Can you stay one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

FAMILY OFFERING

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

October Standing Order €3,859
Outdoor Collection €769.24
Annuals/Half Yearly n/a



BINGO

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Saint Vincent de Paul would like to thank the parishioners of St. Cronan's Church for supporting their monthly Church Gate Collection. The amounts raised are as follows: September €1,238.64, October €966.31 and November €1,406.89.

Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this Sunday and next Sunday:

Christ the King: First Reading Proverbs (Prov) 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians (1 Th) 5:1-6; Gospel Matthew (Mt) 25:14-30

1st Sunday of Advent: First Reading Isaiah (Is) 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8; 2nd Reading 1st Letter Corinthians (1 Cor) 1:3-9; Gospel Mark (Mk) 13:33-37



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,
Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker
Louise Donnelly, Secretary

After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday
01 8401661 – 087 7404729 – pauljthornton@gmail.com
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01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com
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CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

25/26 NOVEMBER
Order of Malta

2/3 DECEMBER
No Collection

9/10 DECEMBER
St. Vincent de Paul
Annual Collection



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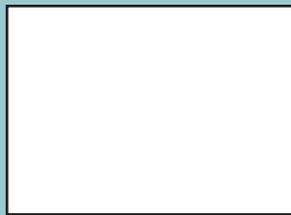


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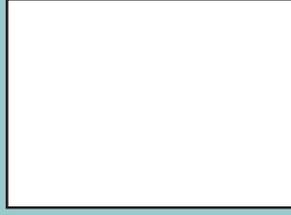
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 Please do not hesitate to call us should you need our advice or expertise.
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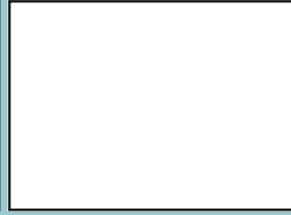
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