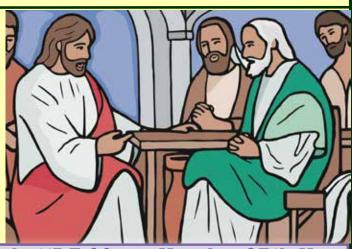
CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ↔ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

Parish Newsletter

19th May 2019 🕷 5th Sunday of Easter 🕷 🛛 Year C

"I give you a new commandment: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" John 13:34-35



Movie " All or Nothing; Sr Clare Crockett" 7.30 pm Monday 27th May



The Brackenstown Bible Study group will be showing the movie "All or Nothing; Sr Clare Crockett" in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm on Monday 27th May, starting at 7.30pm. All are invited to come along to view the movie which is one hour and twenty five minutes long. Sister Clare Theresa Crockett, 33, a young nun from Derry, died, along with five young postulants, when, following an earthquake, a school collapsed in Ecuador on 16 April 2016. An inspirational movie "All or Nothing: Sr Clare Crockett" has been made by Sr Clare's order, the Home of the Mother. Sr Clare and another Irish nun who was injured in the

quake, Sr Thérèse Ryan from County Limerick, had been teaching guitar and singing with the five young postulants, who were entering the religious order, when the earthquake struck. Just as Sr. Clare lived her life inspired by the Gospel, this film shows how Sr Clare can be an inspiration to all.



The last opportunity to return Trócaire Boxes is tomorrow, Monday 20th May.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We ask that you remember in your prayers, the boys and girls of Gaelscoil Bhrian Boroimhe, Swords & Thornleigh ETNS who will receive their First Holy Communion this Saturday

Morning Mass on Saturday 18th May is at 8:45am

This weekend, 18/19 May, for the first time we are holding a new collection which will be called the Ministry Sunday Collection.

This new annual collection will replace the Share Collection and will be devoted to support the building up of new forms of lay ministry in our parishes. The work of spreading the Gospel of Jesus in our changing religious culture will require more lay men and women working in various ways alongside our priests at the heart of parish communities.

The Ministry Sunday Collection is about ensuring that we will have the people we need - men and women who will be to the fore in making our parishes vibrant faith communities into the future.

While many of those involved will be volunteers, we will have to equip and train leaders and provide facilities for formation. We want to work towards a situation where all parishes in this Archdiocese benefit from their gifts and expertise. The new collection is one-step in that process.

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SUN	IDAY MASS INTENTIONS	PRAY FOR		10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK
6:30pm:	Bernie Fitzpatrick (11A)		Mon:	Frank McCarthy (A)
9:00am:	Altar List of the Dead	Fr. Michael Guckian (RD) Paddy McMorrow (A)	Tues:	Joe Rodgers (RD)
11:00am:	Jackie & Peggie Kelly, Tommy Clune & Dcsd Family Members		Wed: Thur:	
12:30pm:	Maoiliosa & Bobby MacCourt (A)		Fri:	Vincent, Charlotte Delamare & Dcsd Family Members
5:30pm:	Eugene Grennan (3A)		Sat:	Tom Shields (1A)



A LOOK AT THE NEW ALTAR, AMBO AND CHAIR Below is the proposed designed for the different pieces of Altar furniture. There will also be two servers stools, an ambry for the holy oils, a new tabernacle lamp, candle holders, flower stands and the radiators along the back of the sanctuary will be covered.



You are invited to join in the Annual May Procession for Mary Our Mother on Tuesday 28th May Assembly points are as follows: Entrance to Glasmore Park (From Rathbeale Road); Bottom of steps from Elmwood; Junction Brackenstown Road & St. Cronan's Avenue; Junction Brackenstown Road & Brackenstown Avenue (Top Rathbeale) Please be at assembly point nearest you at 7:10pm.

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ROSARY Each day in May 2019, thousands of people from all around Ireland will gather at their local Grottos to recite the Rosary for Faith and Life in Ireland. To sign up your local Grotto, text/call 087 278 6552 or at <u>www.coastalrosaryireland.ie</u>

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PARISH DIARY

MAY 2019				
27th	7:30pm Service of Light Swords & Thornleigh ETNS			
JUNE 2019				
8th	9am Morning Mass			
8th	11am Confirmations Swords & Thornleigh ETNS			
9th	Swords "Camino" Pilgrimage Walk			

THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

FAMILY OFFERING

Thank you for your support and generosity to the ongoing running costs of the Parish.

March Standing Order: €3152.00			
Family Offering:	€890.00		
First Collection:	€1330.00 (€374.00 for tax reclaim)		
Share Collection:	€1109.20 (€247.35 for tax reclaim)		

Easter Dues

EASTER DUES: the envelopes have been included with the receipts in an effort to use less paper. There will be Dues Envelopes also available at the back of the Church. This contribution together with the First Collection supports Fr. Paul and Fr. Bibin and the sick and retired priests in the Diocese. Please return in the collection on Sunday or to the white post boxes. We are very grateful for your generous support.

Praying with God's Word

STH SUNDAY OF EASTER: First Reading: Acts 14:21-27; 2nd Reading: Rev 21:1-5a; Gospel John 13:31-33a, 34-35 **6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER:** First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; 2nd Reading Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Gospel John 14:23-29

EUCHARISTIC 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 1 hour with me? We encourage new people to come & join us.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Rosettes, Medals, Souvenirs etc. for First Holy Communion & Confirmation available in main porch after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS!

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 eg. St. Cronan's Estate and Swords Manor etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after Saturday evening or 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 recent Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary 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.

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

Holy Land: 13th—21st September The Pilgrimage will be led by Fr. Paul Thornton and will visit all the main places in the life of Jesus. It will be some years before there will be another pilgrimage from the Parish. Limited places available. Contact MAP Travel for booking 01 8783111

The Future is Pro-Life

To mark the 1st anniversary of the 8th Referendum, The Irish Catholic is hosting a conference which seeks to restore a culture of life in Ireland. On Saturday 25th May 2019, 'Ireland: The Future is Pro-Life' Conference takes place in The Alex Hotel, Fenian Street, Dublin 2, and is proudly supported by Aid to the Church in Need. Starting at 9.30am, the Conference will feature



stirring input from some of the strongest voices speaking up for the most vulnerable in our society today. The MC will be David Quinn of the Iona Institute, a prolife advocate and broadcast journalist, who one of people at the forefront of the national debates last year.

Speakers on the day will include Maria Steen of the lona Institute, who will speak on 'Where we find ourselves as a Pro-Life community'. Senator Ronan Mullen of the Human Dignity Alliance will examine 'Rebuilding the culture of life in the public square', while Carol Nolan, TD for Offaly/North Tipperary, will speak about 'Why we need to keep up the political pressure'. Niamh Ui Bhriain of Life Institute articulates 'Where does the Pro-Life community go from here', and finally, Emma O'Connell of Gianna Care will speak on how 'Being Pro-Life means practically supporting a culture of life'.

Tickets are still available for €30, but there is limited seating and booking is essential. For more information, call 01 6874028 or email events@irishcatholic.ie.

God has placed this plan in our hearts and in all creation: to love Him, our brothers and sisters, and the whole world, and to find true happiness in this love.

Challenge:

This week, seek to love others as you love God, and try to find true happiness there.

For a free weekly challenge download YourParish App

– Pope Francis





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