

# ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10TH SEPTEMBER 2023

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS IN PARISH CENTRE

- \* **Meetings for Parents** of children, who will celebrate the sacraments of **First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation** in the coming year, will take place on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th September in the Pastoral Centre.
- \* **Meetings for Parents** of children who wish to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in the coming year will take place on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th September at 7.00 and 8.15pm.
- \* A meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Council** will take place in our Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th September.
- \* A meeting of the **Pastoral Centre Committee** will take place on Friday 15th September at 7.00pm in the centre.
- \* **The Annual General Meeting** for all groups which use the Pastoral Centre for their meetings/activities will take place on Thursday 21st September at 7.30pm. A representative of each group which plans to host activities in the centre in the coming year must attend the AGM, at which Licence Agreements will be signed.

In recognition of the Season of Creation (1st Sept-4th October), Jane Mellett who coordinates the Laudato Si campaign for Trocaire, will speak at the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 16th and at the 9.00am and 11.00am Masses on Sunday 17th September. A number of parishioners have expressed interest in participating in a parish Care for Creation committee. We will be organising our first meeting in the next week or two.



The annual collection for Crosscare, the Diocesan Social Care agency, takes place at all Masses on the weekend of Sat/Sun 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> September and replaces the Share collection

Rewley's **BIG COFFEE MORNING SOCIAL FOR HOSPICE**

**ST FRANCIS HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING**  
**Wednesday 13th September**

(a week earlier!)

from 10:30am to 1pm

in Jean & Frank Stacey's home  
(18 Elmwood Park)  
in aid of St. Francis Hospice

We are shocked and very saddened at the sudden illness and death of Liam Campbell. Liam co-ordinated the Ministers of the Eucharist and was a former chairman of the PPC. We extend our sympathies to his wife and family at this very sad time.

## The Bible Timeline-understand the entire Bible!

Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that you can understand the Bible, and *The Bible Timeline*, a twenty-four-part Bible study, makes it easy.

Presenter Jeff Cavins shows you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives you the keys to understanding the story woven throughout Scripture. You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the story of our faith.

St. Cronan's Parish will offer *The Bible Timeline* beginning on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 to 9.00 pm. Participants will meet every week to view a 50-minute video presentation followed by a group discussion and an opportunity to ask questions. For more information or to register, please contact Louise in the Parish office tel. 01 8401188 or email [brackenstownparish@gmail.com](mailto:brackenstownparish@gmail.com)



**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](http://www.brackenstown-parish.com)

**Christian Meditation in Brackenstown Parish Centre every Monday at 11:00am. Meditation is a spiritual discipline, a discipline of Presence. It is about awakening to one's true self. It is about silence, the silent Presence of God. Research has shown that Meditation benefits us at a physical, mental, cognitive and emotional level. It reduces blood pressure, helps us cope with stress and aids insomnia to mention but a few. The fruits/ benefits of Meditation: Peace, love, joy, patience, understanding, kindness, goodness, freedom and self-control. Galatians:5:22**  
**Contact Marian Burke for more info 0879703640**

**Diocesan Youth Leadership Course**

Beginning in September, a new **Diocesan Youth Leadership Course** will take place to equip young adults to take on leadership roles in their parish setting and for peer-to-peer ministry, as well as training those looking to accompany young adults in their parish. Each month, new skills are learnt and will be put into practice at the retreat day which will be shaped and organised by the course participants. For more info email [natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie). Register here: <https://forms.office.com/e/vnhG5552SW>

**PPC Training on Voluntary Ministries**

Training for Parish Pastoral Council members on the **Voluntary Ministry Matters** resource takes place on **12th AND 19th September 2023** via Zoom. This is **2 part** training course exploring the new guidebook for all members of PPCs in the Archdiocese. This is a REPEAT of the training given on 1st and 8th June 2023. If you would like to register for this Zoom training please complete the online form on the Adult Faith section of [www.missionministry.ie](http://www.missionministry.ie).

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BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

**PARISH DONATIONS**

DONATE  
CHURCH UPKEEP  
SHRINE CANDLES  
MASS OFFERING

Thank you for supporting your parish!

To use this device, tap with your finger on the screen. On the Menu, tap 'SALE'. Enter the amount you wish to contribute. Tap 'CHARGE'. Tap your credit card when indicated.

**Tap and Go Machine**

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the *Summer Offerings* and for your continued contributions to the weekly Mass collections and to the Family Offering through weekly envelope or regular standing order. Parishioners and visitors who don't carry cash may contribute to the Mass collections by using the Tap and Go machine at the entrance to the church. You will notice that we have installed a second Tap and Go machine, which facilitates parishioners and visitors who wish to make a contactless donation for shrine candles, a Mass offering or towards the parish maintenance costs.

**BASE AUTUMN CLASS LIST**

Monday	CREATIVE WRITING GROUP 10am-12pm (with Facilitator) CROCHET/KNITTING 7:30pm-9:30pm SIGN LANGUAGE (ISL) 7:30pm-8:30pm
Tuesday	YOGA 6pm-7pm
Wednesday	ART - ADVANCED 9:30am-11:30pm YOGA 10am-11am CROCHET/KNITTING 11:45am-1:45pm
Thursday	FLOWER ARRANGING 10:30am-12:30pm
Friday	ART - BEGINNERS 10am-12pm

All Classes are 10 Week Terms (€100)  
Over 65's - €65 - excluding Sign Language  
To Enquire please phone 01 890 2593 or email [jenny.baseswords@gmail.com](mailto:jenny.baseswords@gmail.com)

**A Sip of Support Meeting Group located at B.A.S.E.**  
Brackenstown Road, Swords, Co. Dublin K67 PH96

**A Grief Support Group Starting 6 September 2023**  
**Weekly Meetings every Wednesday 7-8pm**

We hope to offer a listening ear to anyone who is dealing with or living with Grief  
*If you cannot fly then run, if you cannot run then walk;  
 If you cannot walk then crawl,  
 but whatever you do, do your best to keep moving forward*

Email: [haveasipswords@gmail.com](mailto:haveasipswords@gmail.com)

**Free Bicycle Repair Workshop**  
**Rivervalley Community Centre.**  
**Saturday August 9th 10am – 1pm.** Bring your bike to be fixed – small charge for parts – just call in!

Many thanks to those who have generously responded to the invitation from the **Parish Pastoral Council** to form a rota of volunteers to assist with the cleaning group, who would on a rota basis assist with keeping our beautiful church clean. If interested, please give your name and contact details to the parish secretary.

If you would like to know more about Teams of Our Lady (spirituality for married couples), you are very welcome to join us for our annual picnic, which takes place in the grounds of Malahide Castle at 2pm on Sunday 17th September. Just let Fr. Richard know if you would like to come. All you need to bring is sun lotion, a picnic lunch a rug and a rain jacket!

**Legion of Mary Weekly Meetings**

Tuesday (10:30 am in St Joseph's Room at Priest's house with Crosscare sign) and Wednesday (7:30 pm in St Cronan's Parish Centre, Brackenstown). New members welcome. Junior Legion meets Friday (5:00-6:00 pm in St Cronan's Parish Centre, Brackenstown). Meetings also on Monday (7:00 pm in Swords) and Thursday (7:00 pm in River Valley).

**Upcoming Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine**

Sunday 24th September Legion of Mary Pilgrimage. If you wish to travel on pilgrimage please contact Joseph (087 2600352) or Bróna (086 2104151) or leave your name and contact details with a member of the Legion of Mary at Church Repository before /after Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Details about Bus to follow.

**Frank Duff Prayer Meeting is Back!**

You are invited to pray for your intentions through the intercession of Servant of God, Frank Duff, founder of Legion of Mary on **Tuesday, 12th September 8:00pm-9:00pm** in Parish Pastoral Centre. The Rosary, a reading from Sunday's Gospel and a little background information about Frank Duff will be included. All will be most welcome. Listen to a 2.42 min clip by Bishop Robert Barron on [Why Pray the Rosary? - YouTube](#).

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Recently Deceased**

Liam Campbell

**Month's Mind**

Brena Jennings

**Anniversaries**

Noel Moore (1A)

Mary Maguire (1A)

Kathleen Kelly (3A)

Charles McCarthy (3A)

Daniel Delaney

Rose, Joe & Vera Ryan

Dcsd Members of Carroll &

McCarthy Families

Maisie Fitzpatrick

Ita McArdle

Michael Smith

Eda & Zara Cafolla

Rene O'Reilly

Mary Gibbons (BR)

**10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK**

- Mon** Brena Jennings (RD)
- Tues** John & Kathleen O'Connor (A)
- Wed** Special Healing Intention
- Thur** Brian Lyons (27A)
- Fri** Martin Lawrence (60 BR)
- Sat** Special Birthday Intention

**Confirmation Connect:** The Zoom information session for parishes on **Confirmation Connect** will be repeated on Wednesday September 13, at 7:30pm. For more information email [natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie) or <https://forms.office.com/e/2LunznvExv>

**Bethany Bereavement Support Group**

offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it  
 Please phone Terri - 8403243  
 Sun 10th to Sat 16th September  
*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"*

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday - Friday  
9:30am - 1:00pm

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