

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

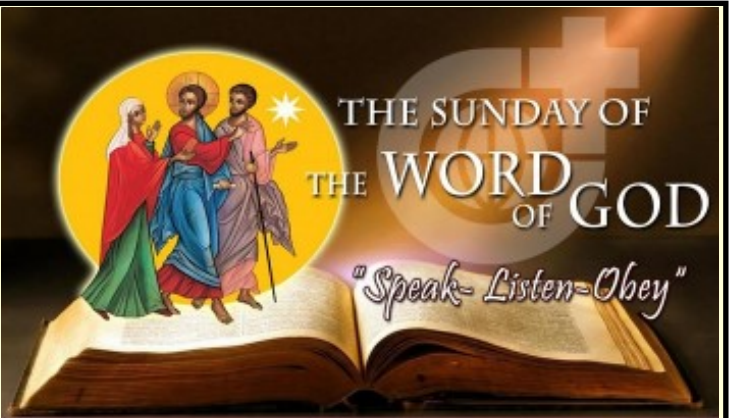
BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
22ND JANUARY 2023 Year A

Reflection

Catholic Schools Week 2023, themed as 'Walking Together in Faith & Love', takes place from this Sunday 22 January to Sunday 29 January. For this year's annual celebration of Catholic education, C.S.W. will draw on three features of the Synodal Pathway: 'Communion, Participation and Mission'. The theme is dedicated to celebrating the gift of Catholic education and recognizing the love and generosity of the entire school community: student, staff and home. Over the week, students will reflect on their own relationship with God, with their school community, and with their families. Inspired by the teachings of Pope Francis, our schools are encouraged to help bring joyful hope to our collective future through a relationship with Jesus.

Fr. Richard



Catholic Schools Week

- Monday** Walking Together in Faith
Tuesday Walking Together in Love
(In our school community, themes of inclusion)
Wednesday Walking Together to Celebrate Grandparents' Day
(Celebrating those who help us on the journey of faith, themes of inclusion of the elderly in society Pope Francis' Message for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2022)
Thursday Walking Together to Transform our World
(Themes of environment – Laudato Si' – and Mission)
Friday Walking Together in Hope



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. The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into twelve colour-coded time periods that make it easier to follow its narrative thread. 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 20th February 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.

Congratulations to the parents whose children are being welcomed into the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend!



CONFIRMATION RETREATS

led by Gerard Hanley
(FORMERLY WITH THE DUBLIN DIOCESE EVANGELISATION OFFICE, AND NOW YOUTH DIRECTOR WITH ALPHA)
will be taking place in
St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre
on Monday and Tuesday
23rd/24th and
30th/31st January &
Saturday 4th February



SUNDAY MASSES: (Sat Vigil) 6pm; 9am; 11am & 5pm WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY to SATURDAY 10:00am
CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10:45am to 11:30am in the Pastoral Centre
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

OFFICE OF MISSION & MINISTRY

Lent Initiative: Small Faith Communities

This year we are inviting people to gather in small faith sharing groups to journey with a number of "People of Hope" from the Lenten Scriptures. A variety of resources will be made available as we support our *Building Hope* initiative during the season of Lent.

Training will take place online, via Zoom, on the following dates:



People of HOPE
A Small Faith Sharing Group resource for LENT 2023

Training will be provided online, via Zoom, to enable people to take on the role of small group leader and explore how to make the best use of the resource.

JANUARY 24TH 7.30PM – 9PM
FOR NORTHSIDE PARISHES

JANUARY 25TH 7.30PM – 9PM
FOR SOUTHSIDE PARISHES

To register please email Peter Siney
Faith Development Co-ordinator for Adult Faith
peter.siney@dublindioocese.ie.

A meeting of the Pastoral Centre Committee will take place on Thursday 26th January at 7pm in the Pastoral Centre

A meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will take place on Monday 23rd January at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre

Safeguarding Information Evening

A safeguarding information meeting for all Parish volunteers & Ministers, will take place in St Colmcille's Church on Monday 30th January at 7.00pm. This information session will include discussions on safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.



SWORDS TIDY TOWNS QUIZ NIGHT

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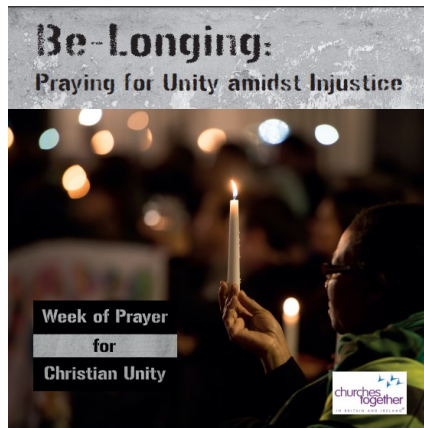
10 euro PER PERSON
4 PER TEAM

UPSTAIRS in PEACOCKS - RIVER VALLEY

THURS 9th FEBRUARY @ 7:30 pm

Prizes Galore

Have a great night out while supporting the GOOD WORK of TIDY TOWNS



The annual Service for the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** will take place in St. Columba's Church at 8.00pm on Tuesday 24th January. All are welcome.



A preparation Mass for Confirmation will take place next weekend, at 6.00pm on Saturday 28th and at 12.30pm and 5.00pm on Sunday 29th January

Many thanks to all those who have returned **Christmas Offerings**, which form part of the remuneration of the priests of the parish and of the diocese.

We have taken down the posters of the names of deceased parishioners over the last year from the Sacred Space. If you would like to take the name of your loved one, please collect it from the back of the Church.

Rivervalley Community Centre opened its **Warm Room**. Open Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm, a warm relaxing space for everyone to enjoy a cuppa, read a book, take time out or wait for kids to finish school. All Welcome to drop in.

Public Info Meeting

Protecting the vulnerable from the threat of legalised Euthanasia.

Guest speakers, Professor Patricia Casey, Consultant Psychiatrist and Professor of Psychiatry, and Peter D Williams of Anscombe Bioethical Center.

Tuesday 24th January in Wynns Hotel, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1 at 7:30pm in The Abbey Room. The Luas stops directly outside the hotel and Connolly station is a short walk away also."

BE CHRIST-CENTRED



Legion of Mary

The Rosary helps us to focus on the main events in the life of Jesus. It tells of Mary's role in our salvation... a wonderful prayer. The "Rosary Statue" was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to have the statue in your home for a little time, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in the main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

RELIGIOUS GOODS

Rosary Beads, Candles, Children's Books, Statues, Holy Water Fonts and other religious goods available in Parish Centre after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who may wish to avail of it

Please phone Bridget - 085 2812985

Sunday 22nd to Saturday 28th January

Please phone from 6-8pm.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Margaret Donnelly
Jenny Tierney
Maria Del Rio
Derek Dalton
Mark Farrell

Anniversaries

Anne (Nan) Hopkins (2A)
Oliver Dignam (2A)
Martin Curran (4A)
Bernard McGlynn (11A)
Danny Kelly (20A)
Carmel Kieran (29A)
John Hughes (BR & A)
Padraig Keane
Marie Lynch
Patrick Connolly & his shipmates
Judith Hamill
Katrina Harford
Billy Curtis
Flora Moran
Barney McCann
Lena & Frank Walsh
Mary Walsh
Special Birthday Intention

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon James Kirwan (A)
Special Family Intention

Tues Paddy & Kathleen Lowndes (R)

Wed Special Intention

Thur Eugene Fitzsimons (A)

Fri David Carroll (14A)

Sat Special Intention

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