

Parish Newsletter

Pope Francis - Dublin 26th August 2018 Prayer for Forgiveness For Those Hurt by Abuse

I wish to implore the Lord's mercy for these crimes and to ask forgiveness for them.
We ask forgiveness for the cases of abuse in Ireland.

For the abuse of power, the abuse of conscience
and sexual abuse on the part of representatives of the Church.
In a special way, we ask forgiveness
for all those abuses that took place in different kinds of institutions
directed by men and women religious and other members of the Church.
We also ask forgiveness for cases in which many minors
were exploited for their labour.

We ask forgiveness for all those times when, as a Church,
we did not offer to the survivors of any type of abuse compassion
and the pursuit of justice and truth by concrete actions.
We ask forgiveness.

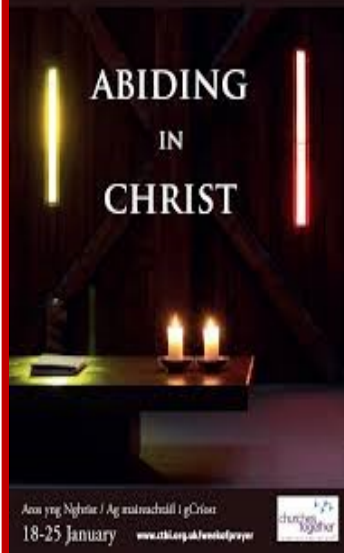
We ask forgiveness for some members of the hierarchy
who took no responsibility for these painful situations and kept silent.
We ask forgiveness.

We ask forgiveness for those children who were taken away from their mothers
and for all those times when so many single mothers who tried to find their children
that had been taken away, or those children who tried to find their mothers,
were told that this was a mortal sin.
It is not a mortal sin;
it is the fourth commandment!
We ask forgiveness.

May the Lord preserve and increase this sense of shame and repentance,
and grant us the strength to ensure that it never happens again and that justice is done. Amen.

COVID19 RESTRICTIONS

All Masses are online only: Mon to Sat 10:00am; Sunday 6:30pm(Sat. vigil) 9am and 11am
Rosary and Night Prayer online 8:30pm Mon to Fri (Taizé Prayer Friday 7:30pm
Confessions Saturdays 10:45am to 11:30 in Pastoral Centre. Church closes at 6:00pm.



The week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Monday, 18th January. The theme this year is Abiding in Christ and was prepared by the sisters in the Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. It follows the rhythm of Prayer of the Divine Office. During this week of Prayer we will begin our Rosary and Night Prayer at 8:15pm and pray a section of the Prayer each night. We will bring it to conclusion in our Taizé Prayer on Friday at 7:30pm. The text will be available on our Facebook Page, website and some copies will be left at the back of the Church.

Taizé Prayer returns this Friday 22nd January at 7:30pm. Prayer Intentions can be emailed to the Parish Office or dropped into the box marked 'Taizé Prayer' in the Church Porch. Rosary & Night Prayer continues every Monday - Friday evening from 8:30pm. All prayer services are via webcam.

Join us to pray the Rosary and Night Prayer
At 8:30pm each evening



Calendar, Sacraments & Restrictions

As we begin another Level 5 restriction the only ceremonies that can take place with a congregation are Weddings (with 6 guests) and Funerals (with 10 mourners). All other ceremonies will be online only.

We have families who had booked Baptisms in 2020 who have not yet been able to celebrate this Sacrament and we will be facilitating them first before we issue dates for this year. As there is so much uncertainty what we ask you to do is email the Parish Office with your request for Baptism and include what month you would like to celebrate the Baptism. There are only ten family members with each child and a max. of four baptisms at one ceremony.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation dates will not be set until we see how restrictions continue to affect the Church being open. The Sacraments will be celebrated later than usual and there will be a restriction on numbers in the Church. This means that half a class (50 people) or at max 1 full class (100 people) at each ceremony.

CHRISTMAS DUES

The Christmas Dues together with the First Collection at Mass and the Easter Dues goes to support myself, Fr. Bibin and the sick & retired Priests of the Diocese. We sincerely appreciate your generosity to this collection. There is a financial benefit to the Parish as your Dues contributions can be included in your Family Offering for the Tax Reclaim Scheme. You can donate online using the Donate button on the Parish website or drop your envelope into the white letterboxes in the Church. Thank you again for your generosity and for all your support at Christmas and throughout the year.

Fr. Paul & Fr. Bibin.

Welcome back

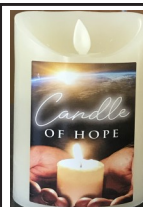
Fr. Bibin had his second Covid19 test on Wednesday and it came back negative. He has now returned to regular ministry.



COMMUNITIES OF FAITH AND RESILIENCE 24 JANUARY – 31 JANUARY 2021



Due to Level 5 Restrictions, the Parish Office is dealing with all enquiries by email and online. Mass cards can be collected in the Sacristy after morning Masses at 10:30am but please email the names beforehand.



Church Art Calendars

& Catholic Papers & Magazines

are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

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

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords



ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE OFFERED FOR INTENTIONS

Frank Nagle (A)
Nathan & Daniel Maughan (B Rem)
Josephine, Thomas & Donald Macken (A)
Edward Brum (8A)

PRAY FOR

Altar List of the Dead
Martin Lawrence (RD)
Carmel Muckian (RD)
James Quinn (MM)
Sr. Marie Galvin (1A)
Danny Kelly (A)
Anne, Tom & Philomena O'Leary (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Dcsd Members Kelly Family
Tues: Dcsd Members Jennings & Dolan Families
Wed: Special Intention
Thur: Special Intention
Pray for: Frankie Monaghan (BRem)
Judith Hamill (A)
Fri: Special Intention
Sat: Irene Costello Kirwan (MM)

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