

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time
30th January 2022 Year C



Brigid

You were a woman of peace.
You brought harmony where there was conflict.
You brought light to the darkness.
You brought hope to the downcast.
May the mantle of your peace cover
those who are troubled and anxious,
and may peace be firmly rooted
in our hearts and in our world.
Inspire us to act justly and
to reverence all God has made.
Brigid you were a voice for the wounded
and the weary.
Strengthen what is weak within us.
Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.
May we grow each day into greater
wholeness



On Tuesday we celebrate the first day of spring and Saint Brigid's day! Saint Brigid of Kildare was one of the most important female saints in Ireland. She was a nun, abbess and foundress of many monasteries. The 1st of February was initially a pagan festival called Imbolc, which marked the beginning of Spring. Traditionally St. Brigid's crosses are made out of reeds to remember this

Wednesday is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. We will bless candles at Mass on Tuesday morning. (Candles are on sale in the Legion of Mary shop in the Pastoral Centre today.) If you have candles to be blessed please leave them in the basket at the Ambo on Monday. It is the last day that the crib will be up. There is a tradition of taking straw home and this will be available after Mass on Wednesday in the porch.



Thursday is the Feast of St. Blaise. It is the tradition on this day to have your throat blessed. As we are still in a time of care about infection there will be a general blessing of throats at the 10:00am Mass.



"Where to from here?" This question is another way of putting the purpose of our Synodal Pathways: what does God want of his church? How can we be as a community of faith so as to serve the Good News and offer to all the word of life? As we imagine our future together, we stand in need of fresh inspiration and new energy. The regeneration of faith can have no other genesis than God's living word.

On the Sunday of the Word of God, we celebrate the gift of the Scriptures, a gift which goes on giving and can energise us with a new vision. May the words of Jesus be our experience too: 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.' May the Spirit guide our reading and our listening, our living and our proclamation of the Good News.

Synod Resources are available
at www.dublindiocese.ie

Join us for a virtual celebration!



DUBLIN CITY INTERFAITH FORUM

*Building Bridges
Sharing Common Ground
Promoting Integration*

31 JANUARY | 11-12:30 PM

ZOOM ID: 851 1348 6942
PASSWORD: 245939



On behalf of DCIF, you are invited you to join us online on the evening of 1st February from 7:00pm at an Interfaith Celebration of The New Year of The Trees, or more commonly known in the Hebrew tradition as Tu B' Shvat! Please note below zoom link and passcode
Topic: Tu B' Shvat celebration
Time: Feb 1, 2022 07:00 PM Dublin
Meeting ID: 874 1180 0455

BRACKENTOWN BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Reading the second part of the Gospel of John

MONDAY 24TH JANUARY WE WILL
COMMENCE OUR STUDY OF
"THE BOOK OF GLORY"
JOHN CHAPTERS 13 TO 21

The Book of Glory tells of Jesus's
return to his heavenly father, it
tells how he prepares his
disciples for their coming lives
without his physical presence
and his prayer for himself and for
them, followed by his betrayal,
arrest, trial, crucifixion and
post-resurrection appearances.

Scripture Study classes resume

Monday 24th January

Due to Covid restrictions,
the study will be home based
Optional Zoom

discussion/questions &
answers from 7.30 to 8.30pm
There is no charge to take part
so why not give it a go?

For more details please email
Paddy at pobyrne50@gmail.com

MASS TIMES:

MONDAY to SATURDAY
10:00am

SUNDAY (Sat Vigil) 6:00pm;
9:00am; 11:00am & 5:00pm

CONFESSIONS

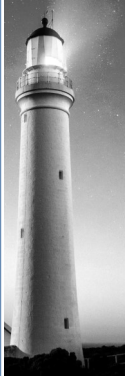
SATURDAY

10:45am to 11:30am
in the Pastoral Centre

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY: 6pm - 9pm
FRIDAY: 3pm-6pm

You are
light of the
world!
(Mt 5:14)



Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

Archbishop Dermot Farrell will
celebrate Mass at 11 a.m on
5th of February 2022
to mark World Day of Prayer
for Consecrated Life.

Because of ongoing
COVID precautions
this will be an online event.
You are invited to join via webcam at
www.rednuns.com

Queries to: Office for Religious
Email: religious.externpriests@dublindioocese.ie



Archdiocese of Dublin
And Outside Area Clergy

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Mary Ryan (1A)
Tues: Special Intention for Dcsd
Parishioners
Wed: Marian Movement for Priests
Michael & Bridget Kelly (A)
Thur: Patrick & Eileen Byrne (A)
Philip Hickey (1A)
Fri: John Kerins (RD)
Sat: Audrey Harkin Mullan (A)

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Anniversaries

Robert & Freda Nolan
June O'Hare
PJ O'Malley
Theresa McEntaggart
Margaret Morandeira
Christy McNally
Paddy McManus
Bernard & Margaret O'Reilly
Dcsd Members of Adams Family
Nellie Malone
Ann, Tom & Philomena O'Leary
Lyndsey Byrne

Bella Barnwall (M/M)
Paul Ledwidge (MM)

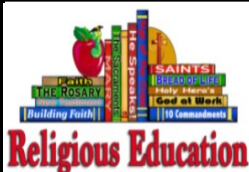
Recently Deceased

Judy Graham
Helen Lane
Theo Dunne

Family Offering and
Church Collection
Envelopes will be
ready for collection
from the Church in
the next couple of
weeks

Christmas Dues

The Christmas Dues together with the First Collection at Mass
and the Easter Dues goes to support myself and the sick and
retired Priests of the Diocese. We really 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. Thank you again for your
generosity and for all your support.



Religious
Education
Classes for
Thornleigh &
Swords ETNS
begin this

coming week.

If you have not received an email
with the details please email the
parish office on
brackentownparish@gmail.com

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

offers a free and confidential
telephone support to any bereaved
parishioners who may wish to avail
of it.

Please phone Bridget - 085 2812985
Sunday 30th January to Saturday 5th
February. Please phone from 6-8pm

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

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. Also by emailing
brackentownparish@gmail.com
Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in
the new bookrack at the back of the Church.



LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackentown Swords

THE ROSARY

You might like to have the "Rosary Statue"
in your home for a week and pray the
rosary.... If you would like this,
arrangements can be made to suit your
circumstances. Please contact a member
of the Legion of Mary after Saturday
evening Mass or Sunday Morning Masses
or through the Parish Office.

Tap & Donate
We thank those of you who have been using
our Tap & Donate machine at
the main door of the Church.
60% goes to First Collection for
priests and retired priests of
the Diocese and 40% goes to
the Share Collection.
Please continue to use the
white envelopes for the
Mass collections instead of
using the Tap and Donate
as this machine cannot
record your details.



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