

# ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

29TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

20TH OCTOBER 2024

YEAR B

## PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD (ADSUMUS SANCTE SPIRITUS)



For a synodal Church  
communion | participation | mission

WE STAND BEFORE YOU, HOLY SPIRIT, AS WE  
GATHER TOGETHER IN YOUR NAME.  
WITH YOU ALONE TO GUIDE US, MAKE YOURSELF AT  
HOME IN OUR HEARTS; TEACH US THE WAY WE MUST  
GO AND HOW WE ARE TO PURSUE IT.  
WE ARE WEAK AND SINFUL; DO NOT LET US  
PROMOTE DISORDER.  
DO NOT LET IGNORANCE LEAD US DOWN THE  
WRONG PATH NOR PARTIALITY INFLUENCE OUR  
ACTIONS.  
LET US FIND IN YOU OUR UNITY SO THAT WE MAY  
JOURNEY TOGETHER TO ETERNAL LIFE AND NOT  
STRAY FROM THE WAY OF TRUTH AND WHAT IS RIGHT.  
ALL THIS WE ASK OF YOU, WHO ARE AT WORK IN  
EVERY PLACE AND TIME, IN THE COMMUNION OF THE  
FATHER AND THE SON, FOREVER AND EVER.  
AMEN

This Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October, is **Mission Sunday**, reminds us that we are a missionary Church, tasked with sharing the Good News of Christ with others, as much if not more through our actions and our lives, as through our words. The theme of this year's Mission Sunday is: *'Go out and invite everyone to the banquet'*. Pope Francis describes Mission as *'a tireless going out to all men and women, in order to invite them to encounter God'*.

The **Week of Guided Prayer**, which draws to a close this Sunday, has provided a unique opportunity for many of our parishioners to encounter Christ in a new and personal way through reflecting on scripture and with the assistance of a prayer guide. The personal encounter with Christ is available to all of us and is the foundation for mission. As the Synod on Synodality in Rome enters its final week, Cardinal Hollerich, the General rapporteur, notes that while Church is traditionally *'rooted in a place and a culture'* today, due to globalism and the digital reality, the idea of place has less of a spatial and geographic reality, and he invites participants to reflect on what this means for the Church's mission and organisation. The annual Mission Sunday appeal, which supports the work of overseas missions and missionaries in over 1,150 dioceses around the world, takes place at all Masses this weekend and replaces the Share collection. In Ireland **Missio Ireland** is the Pope's official charity for

overseas mission. *Those who cannot contribute to the Sunday collection can donate €4 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300 or by donating at [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie).*

Fr Richard

## DONATIONS BY QR CODE



Donations can be made directly to St. Cronan's Parish by scanning the QR Code above using any QR Reader app on your Smart Phone. QR Code plaques have also been placed on the wall at the shrines to facilitate those not carrying cash. The plaques for St Patrick's and St. Teresa's shrines can be found on the side of their respective candelabras. Donations can be made via both 'scan with phone' and 'touch with phone'. Thank you as always for your kind donations.

Parish Finance Committee

A **Hallelujah Christmas Concert** will take place in the church on Thursday 5th December at 7.30pm. There will be something for everyone in this concert which will help put us in the Christmas spirit. Already some

80+ tickets have been sold online. Tickets may be purchased at the parish office any weekday morning or online: [www.HallelujahChristmas.com](http://www.HallelujahChristmas.com). We will need help with organising the event, particularly with a raffle in aid of our SVP conference, and we will also need volunteers on the night to check/sell tickets, assist in the car park and sell raffle tickets at the interval. If you can assist in any way, please come to a meeting on **Tuesday 22nd October at 8pm** in the parish centre.



A preparation Mass for **First Holy Communion** will take place this **Saturday 19th October at 6.00pm** and **Sunday 20th October at 5.00pm**.

Our **Week of Guided Prayer**, led by the team at Manresa Jesuit Centre of Spirituality, concludes this Sunday 20th Oct. with a wrap-up meeting at 3.30pm and Mass at 5pm. The week has been greatly appreciated by participants and prayer guides alike and will no doubt bear fruit for the whole parish.

**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)

<p>Our first monthly <b>Family Mass</b> will take place at <b>6.00pm on Saturday 9th November</b>. Any families wishing to be involved are invited to talk to Andrea, director of the children's choir, after 6.00pm Mass this Saturday 19th October.</p>	<p><b>Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John Bible Study</b> continues each Monday from 7.30-8.30pm in the pastoral centre. Follow me: <b>Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John</b>, an 8-part Bible study.</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS</b></p> <p><b>Recently Deceased</b> Pat Kearns Hafeez Babatunde</p> <p><b>Month's Mind</b> Noel Cullinan Catriona Harford</p> <p><b>Anniversaries</b> Derek O'Connor (1A) Eamonn Traynor (2A) Bernadette Pender (6A) Susan Clifford (12A) Liz Kelly (16A) Bernie (19A) &amp; Michelle Maguire Paul Farquharson (30A) Margie Markey Tottie &amp; Andy McHugh Baby Katie Galligan Pat &amp; Stephen Daly Rebecca Murphy Saunders May &amp; Brendan Moore Annie &amp; Andrew Martin A parishioners grandson &amp; his colleagues serving in the Lebanon</p>														
<p><b>Crosscare</b>, the diocesan social care agency, have written to thank parishioners for your very generous contribution to the recent annual Crosscare collection which amounted to €1220.</p>																
<p>The Legion of Mary invite you to join them for <b>Africa Day</b>, a celebration of African culture, from 10am-3pm on Saturday 26th October at Morning Star Avenue, Brunswick St. Dublin 7.</p>																
<p>We respectfully remind parents that when accompanying their children to school in the mornings or collecting them after school, they are asked <b>not</b> to drive into the car park. This is for the safety of all, but especially for children attending either the schools or the play schools, and it is the reason why the barrier remains in the lowered position at times of school start and finish. Many thanks to everyone for your cooperation with these arrangements!</p>																
<p><b>Religion Classes</b> in preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children attending Swords or Thornleigh Educate Together or Broadmeadows Community National Schools continue each Tuesday from 3.00-4.00pm in the Pastoral Centre. Parents are invited to register their children on our website for <b>preparation classes for each sacrament</b> which run on a weekly basis for 28 weeks each year over two years, regardless of which class the child is attending in primary school. The cost per child per year for the religion classes is €150, which covers the remuneration of teachers, hiring of rooms and course materials. This should be paid using the <i>Donate</i> button on the website.</p>																
<p>We invite parents of children who wish to receive the sacraments of <b>First Communion or Confirmation in 2025</b> to register their child for the appropriate sacrament on our parish website: <a href="http://www.brackentown-parish.com">www.brackentown-parish.com</a> Registration is now open. A registration contribution of €30 can be paid using the <i>Donate</i> button on the parish website.</p>																
<p>The <b>New Swords Active Retirement Group</b> will host a free over 55s information meeting on the recent 2025 budget changes. All welcome on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November, at 2pm in Rivervalley Community Centre. Why not come along and also find out more about the exciting new Swords Active Retirement Group and how to join.</p>																
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<p><b>Living with Loss: A Bereavement Information Evening for the Public</b> is taking place next Thursday (October 24<sup>th</sup> 7pm-9pm): This is a FREE event hosted by the Dublin North Bereavement Network. It is taking place in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown. For those unable to attend the event in person, this event will be live streamed via Zoom. Whether you are attending in person or online, please book your place via the following link, or by using the link below: <a href="#">Living with Loss: A Bereavement Information Evening for the Public Tickets, Thu 24 Oct 2024 at 19:00   Eventbrite</a></p>																
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Rosary Statue</b></p> <p>We invite you to host the Rosary statue for a week in your home this year. It was recently blessed in our Church on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. When prayed well, the Rosary allows us to see the face of Christ in others and recreates something of the atmosphere of the household in Nazareth. Rosarium Virginis Mariae on the Most Holy Rosary (October 16, 2002)   John Paul II (vatican.va). For more information, please speak to any member of the Legion of Mary after Mass at weekends.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Religious Goods &amp; Literature - Suitable gifts for families</b></p> <p>The Order of Mass Congregational Cards, Candles, Statues, Bibles etc. all available in main porch after Saturday evening &amp; Sunday morning Masses. Having them in the home sanctifies the circumstances of family life.</p> <div> Legion of Mary</div>																
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<p><b>Bethany Bereavement Support Group</b> offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it <b>Please phone Terri - 8403243</b> <b>Sunday 20th October</b> <b>to Saturday 2nd November</b> <i>"Blessed are those who mourn,</i></p>																
<div><p><b>Grief Support Group</b> weekly meetings every Wednesday 7pm to 8pm. We hope to offer a listening ear to anyone who is dealing with or living with grief. <i>Contact email: <a href="mailto:haveasipswords@gmail.com">haveasipswords@gmail.com</a></i></p></div>																
<p><b>CO PARISH PRIEST</b> <b>Fr. Richard Sheehy</b> <b>087 2412459</b> <a href="mailto:richarddesheehy@gmail.com">richarddesheehy@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>PARISH CHAPLAIN</b> <b>Fr. Joseph Hao P.C.</b> <b>01 8401188</b> <a href="mailto:brackentownparish@gmail.com">brackentownparish@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>PERMANENT DEACON</b> <b>Declan Colgan</b> <b>01 8401188</b> <a href="mailto:brackentownparish@gmail.com">brackentownparish@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>PARISH SECRETARY</b> <b>Louise Donnelly</b> <b>Mon to Fri. 9:30am – 1:00pm</b> <b>01 8401188</b> <a href="mailto:brackentownparish@gmail.com">brackentownparish@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>PARISH OFFICE HOURS</b> <b>Monday - Friday</b> <b>9:30am - 1:00pm</b></p> <p><b>Registered Charity Number</b> <b>20016166</b></p>																