

# ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

6TH OCTOBER 2024

YEAR B

## PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD (ADSUMUS SANCTE SPIRITUS)



For a synodal Church

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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

The second Synodal Assembly has begun meeting in Rome this week, preceded by a two-day spiritual retreat at the Vatican led by the Synod's spiritual advisors, Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP and Sister Maria Ignazia Angelini OSB. Fr Radcliffe said: "Last year on retreat we mediated on how to listen to each other. How may we face our differences in hope, opening our hearts and minds to each other? This year we have a new focus: 'How to be a missionary synodal Church.' Fr Radcliffe's address can be read at [www.vaticannews.va](http://www.vaticannews.va). The retreat concluded with a penitential vigil presided over by Pope Francis in St Peter's Basilica, during which the Church asked the world for forgiveness for its sins, in particular the sexual abuses committed in its midst.

Pope Francis inaugurated the Synodal assembly on October 2 during a Mass in St Peter's Square. The Synod meetings, which will continue until October 18, are reflecting on and discussing a document called the *Instrumentum Laboris* ("Working Document"), which is based on what emerged during the first synodal assembly in October 2023. A series of frequently asked questions about the document can be found at [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va). During the last week of the Synod, work will begin on drafting the final report. Bishop Alan McGuckian, who along with Bishop Brendan Leahy is representing the Irish bishops at the Synod again this year, commented that the methodology of both synods is transformative, using *Conversations in the Spirit* – a particular way of being around a table, where everyone speaks in their turn and everyone listens respectfully in an effort to find

both the convergences, as well as the divergences. We are invited to join in prayer that the Synod may bear fruit for the good of the Church and for all humanity.

Fr Richard

## The Annual Candlelight Procession

In honour of our Blessed Lady

Will be held here in St. Cronan's Church  
**Tomorrow, Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October**

(Feast of Our Lady  
of the Rosary)

**At 7.00pm**

& will take place in  
Church Grounds  
(weather  
permitting)  
And will be  
followed by Holy  
Mass  
Candles available  
in Church  
Please honour of  
Our Blessed Lady  
by your presence



Many thanks to all those who supported the coffee morning last Sunday in aid of **St. Francis Hospice**, and to all who baked cakes and biscuits. Over €1000 was raised for St. Francis Hospice. Thanks once again to our Hospitality Committee for organising.

25 parishioners have signed up for the **Week of Guided Prayer**, which begins after 5pm Mass next **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**. Each participant will meet for about 20 minutes each morning or evening from Monday to Friday with a prayer guide who will suggest a piece of scripture each day for the participant to reflect on as they journey through their day. The week concludes the following Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October with a meeting for prayer guides and participants at 3.30pm and Mass at 5pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October. We invite all parishioners to pray that the **Week of Guided Prayer** may be a blessing for the whole parish and particularly for those taking part.

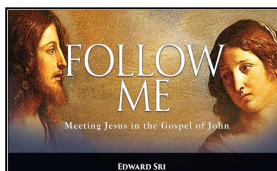
SUNDAY MASSES: (Sat Vigil) 6pm; 9am; 11am & 5pm

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)



**Follow me:** Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, an 8-part Bible study with Dr. Edward Sri. To join, please contact the Parish office on 01 8401188 or email [brackenstownparish@gmail.com](mailto:brackenstownparish@gmail.com)

**Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John**  
A new season of **Bible Study** continue every Monday from 7.30-8.30pm in the pastoral centre.

An **Information Meeting** for parents of children in **Gaelscoil Bhrian Boroimhe** who would like their children to prepare for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th October in the pastoral centre.

A similar information meeting will take place for parents of children in 5th or 6th class in **Swords or Thornleigh Ed. Together Schools** at 8.30pm on Tuesday 8th October.

A Mass to mark the beginning of the academic year for the students attending **Colaiste Choilm** will take place in **River Valley church** at **11.20am** on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

We respectfully remind parents that when accompanying their children to school in the mornings or collecting them after school, they are asked **not** 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!

## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

### Recently Deceased

Mary Ellen (Maureen) Noctor  
Cormac Lane

### Month's Mind

Anthony (Tony) Byrne

### Anniversaries

Knel Deeb (1A)  
Michael Hanrahan (3A)  
Annie McManus  
Bridie & Jimmy McNally  
Augustine Elisabeth Aissi  
Margaret Morandeira (BR)

## 10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon	James Darcy (A)
Tues	Healing Intention
Wed	Special Intention
Thur	Owen Quinn Jnr (MM)
Fri	Special Intention Healing Intention
Sat	May O'Connor (BR) Jenny Black (3A)

### Bethany Bereavement Support Group

offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it

**Bridget 085 2812985**

**Sunday 6th to Saturday 19th October**

**Please phone from 6pm-8pm**

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



A Sip of Support Meeting Group located at B.A.S.E. Brackenstown Road.

### A Grief Support Group with weekly meetings every

Wednesday 7pm

to 8pm. We hope to offer a listening ear to anyone who is dealing with or living with grief.

Contact email:

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

The **Enrolment Mass** for children in the different schools in our parish who are preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place next weekend, **12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> October, at 6.00pm on Saturday and at 5.00pm on Sunday.**

Parents of children attending **Swords or Thornleigh Educate Together or Broadmeadows Community National Schools**, who would like their children to celebrate the sacraments of either First Communion or Confirmation, are also invited to register their children separately on our website for **preparation classes for each sacrament** 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 **Donate** button on the website.

We invite parents of children who wish to receive the sacraments of **First Communion or Confirmation in 2025** to register their child for the appropriate sacrament on our parish website: [www.brackenstown-parish.com](http://www.brackenstown-parish.com) Registration is now open. A registration contribution of €30 can be paid using the **Donate** button on the parish website.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7:15pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

### Beginning Experience - Separated, Divorced, Widowed Are you coping?

Few people are able to cope alone with the pain and loneliness following the loss of a life partner. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life alone whether through death, separation or divorce. A team of trained facilitators, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share with you how they coped with their loss. A Three Day Coping with Life Alone Programme will take place on: Saturday 5th, 12th and 19th October, 2024 (Advance Booking Essential) Carmelite Community Centre, Whitefriar Street, Dublin 2. For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: [bedublin@gmail.com](mailto:bedublin@gmail.com)

### Frank Duff Prayer Meeting

You are invited to pray for your intentions through the intercession of Frank Duff on **Tuesday, 8th October 8:00pm-9:00pm** in Parish Pastoral Centre. The Rosary, a reading and reflection on Sunday's Gospel and a little background information about Frank Duff will be included. All are most welcome.



*Legion of Mary*

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

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