

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



25th October 2015

MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm Liz Kelly (nee Flynn) (A)
9:00am Altar List of the Dead
11:00am Nellie Lowndes (A)
12:30pm John & Gretta Millington (A)
5:30pm Tony McCarthy (1st A)

PRAY FOR

Eileen McKenna (1st A)
Anne Smith (MM)
Maryanne Hallissey (A)

MASSES NEXT WEEK 10.00 AM

Mon: Maura & Seamus Fitzgerald (A)
Tues: Thanksgiving Mass
Wed: Philip O'Donoghue (A)
Thurs: Gretta, John & Vincent Millington (A)
Fri: Peter McNally (RD)
Sat: Rose Howard (MM)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mon: 10.30 am – 11.30 am
Wed: 6.00 pm – 11.00 pm
Fri: 10.30 am – 5.45pm
Sat: 10.30am – 11.30am



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the last Sunday of the month from 4 - 5 pm.

Adorers are urgently needed for the hours of 1:00pm – 3:00pm on Fridays here in St. Cronan's Church. Jesus would welcome you and greatly reward you.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL SURVEY

The Parish Pastoral Council wishes to thank all those who filled out the survey forms at the masses at the end of Sept. Your responses are being put together and these will help to direct our efforts for the future. We will be reporting to you on these responses over the coming weeks. Again our thanks".

PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE FUND

The following are weekly totals:

Buy-A-Brick Appeal € 19,628.28
Pastoral Centre Donations; €25,766
Parish Centre Appeal Total €45,394.28

Many thanks to all who have kindly contributed.

FAITH 'N' FUN

Art Work – would the children who took part in the "Faith 'n' Fun" project in August, please collect their beautiful art work from Legion of Mary members in main porch after Sunday morning Masses.

DUBLIN'S HOLY WELLS

A talk detailing the histories, folklore and locations of the Holy Wells of Dublin will be given by historian & folklorist, Gary Branigan, in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre, Brackenstown, at 7.30pm on Tuesday 03/11/15. Gary's talk will include information on the recently uncovered St Cronan's Holy Well. The well is located in the field behind the ruins of Glasmore Abbey/the Nunnery, Lioscian estate. This field is now owned by a construction company and is zoned for housing. The well is believed to have supplied the Abbey with its water and is dedicated to St Cronan who was abbot there. St Cronan was killed in a Danish raid when the Abbey was destroyed in the seventh century. St Cronan's Holy Well is an important part of the Christian history of Swords. It is hoped that the powers-that-be can be persuaded that the well should be restored and saved for posterity. Any help or support that you can give in achieving this would be gratefully appreciated. Gary Branigan is very kindly giving his talk free of charge, as it is a good cause.

FAMILY OFFERING

We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

September Standing Order €3,283
Outdoor Collection €846.28
Annals/Half Yearly €420.00

The Family Offering Envelope/Standing Order Collection is the ONLY one which supports the daily running costs of the Parish and the upkeep of the Church. Thank you for your commitment to this collection. If you would like to contribute to the above collections, please contact the Parish Office.

SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP

There will be no Scripture Study on Monday, 26/10/15, as it is a bank holiday. Next week we are reading St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. The weekly reading guide is available on the rack in the church porch.

BEAUMONT REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Beaumont Hospital's annual interdenominational remembrance services will be held on **Saturday November 7th and Sunday November 8th at 2.30 p.m. in the hospital chapel.**

We will remember all those who have died in the hospital, or after leaving, during the last year.

THE ROSARY

The Rosary Statue was blessed for use in homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary and **have the statue in your home for a week**, or to get more information, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Sunday morning Masses.

BAPTISMS

The next dates for Baptisms are in NOVEMBER. Please check our website for details. The next Preparation Meeting is:

5TH NOVEMBER 2015

If you would like to be a part of the Baptism Ministry here in St. Cronan's, please contact any of the Priests in the Parish, a member of the Baptism Team or the Parish Office.



CLOCKS CHANGING

Clocks go back one hour today! In the European Union, Summer Time begins and ends at 1:00 a.m. Universal Time (Greenwich Mean Time). It begins the last Sunday in March and ends the last Sunday in October.



CHRISTMAS FLORAL DEMONSTRATION

Ideas for the Christmas table and around the house by Maura Worthington who arranges the Church Flowers, and who has won many awards for her flower arranging including 'Bloom'.

12th November 2015 at 7:30pm
Tea & Coffee, Fee: €5.00

All Flower Arrangements will be raffled on the night. Fundraiser for St. Cronan's Parish Centre.

CHURCH GATE & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The upcoming Church Gate Collections are:
24/25 October – Threshold Collection
31Oct/1Nov – No Collection
7/8 November – SVP Collection

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT DRAMA

Rehearsals have started for a delightful Christmas Pageant Drama Project "Pastorale" to be held on Sunday 6th December at 7pm in Brackenstown Church. We welcome children of all ages and the dates of rehearsals are as follows:

27th Nov., Friday, 6.30pm
28th Nov., Saturday 13.00pm
4th Dec., Friday 18:30pm
5th Dec., Saturday 13.00pm
6th Dec., Sunday 5.30 pm., before performance, to have time to change and dress up.

COFFEE MORNING IN BASE

There will a Coffee Morning in BASE after all Masses this Sunday 25th October in aid of the Asthma Society.

SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS THIS YEAR!

Retired from your work? Volunteers needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in various parts of the parish. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone no. with Louise in parish office.

ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

The notelets and envelopes for the Altar List of the Dead are now being delivered around the Parish. We are looking for help to deliver in the following areas: **Abbeylea; Ashton; Brackenstown Avenue/Village; Castleview; Cianlea; Glasmore; The Gallops & Windmill Avenue/Lands/Rise.** If you are available to help, it would be gratefully appreciated.

PROJECT MESSIAH 2015

Project Messiah 2015: Join us for the Third Year in celebrating the beginning of Year of Mercy and Advent in Whitefriar St. Church on Saturday, November 28th with a rousing performance of G.F. Handel's masterpiece. Rehearsals take place (22nd October – 26th November) in All Hallows College, Gracepark Rd., D. 9 from 7.15-9.30pm. Please register by email: procatch@dublindiocese.ie For further information contact Germaine Carlos 086 – 1973774 or Deirdre Seaver 086 8380881.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Mass for Deceased Parishioners - Friday 13th November at 7:30pm.

The Relics of Louis and Zelig Martin – Tuesday 17th November. The parents of St. Therese of Lisieux were canonised yesterday in Rome. Their relics will arrive here at 2:00pm on the 17th. There will be a prayer service for children at 3:00pm and Mass followed by a blessing with the relics at 7:30pm

Christmas Flower Arranging Display: 12th November at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre

ETERNAL CITY, ROME – YEAR OF MERCY

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Monday 26 Sept – Saturday 1st Oct 2016

This tour begins with a direct flight from Dublin to Rome. Enjoy 5 nights in the Eternal City during which time you will see many of the main places of religious and historical interest including The Vatican & Sistine Chapel, the Major Basilicas, the Holy Stairs, Colosseum, Forum, Capitol Hill, Pantheon and of course the Trevi Fountain.
Price: €695.00 per person sharing B & B.

The incorrect date was included in last week's newsletter.

ANCHOR PROGRAMME



Are you aged between 16 and 30? Thinking of going to World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow? Or just want to explore your faith a little more with other young people? Well then Anchor is for you!! The Anchor Programme is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Dublin and will run in Brackenstown on the following dates:

- Friday 13th of November 2015. 6pm - 8pm
- Saturday 14th of November. 10am - 5pm (Includes a pilgrimage to Glendalough)
- Sunday 15th of November 2015. 9.30am - 2pm (includes 12.30pm Mass).

For further information or to sign up, contact Fr Paul, Br Martin or the Parish Office.

Don't miss out!!!

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REFUGEE AND HOMELESSNESS CRISIS

CROSSCARE held an information evening last Thursday giving information about the Diocesan response to both these issues.

On the homeless crisis: at the moment Crosscare are preparing to open an extra 100 beds to cope with the rise expected as winter approaches.

Teach Aimsir is a new Cold weather initiative Homeless Hostel. We will be providing 100 beds every night to both men and women over the age of 18. Over the last number of years there has been a visibly increase in the number of people sleeping on the streets of Dublin every night. Teach Aimsir aims to address these issues and support the people in need.

The success of this service depends very much on the people involved. Our volunteers play a key role in the running of Teach Aimsir. Each night we depend on our volunteers to deliver the service we provide. It is essential that we provide a safe, pleasant, high quality environment for those experiencing homelessness.

How you can help!

We seek volunteers to deliver hospitality, food and activities within Teach Aimsir. Below are brief synopsis of where we require volunteers.

Operational Hours: 6pm-11pm

1. The Cafe: Mon-Sunday – 2-4 hours required

The café is situated in the centre of the service and heart of the night's activities.

2. Reception: Mon-Sunday - 2-4 hours required

The reception plays a very important role in the running of the service every night.

3. Check in: Mon-Sun – 2-4 hours required

The check in area is one of the busiest areas of the service. We require one volunteer each night to support the team with the checking in of each guest.

4. Volunteer service support: Mon – Sun – 2-4 hours required

Each night we require a volunteer who can be or floater.

5. Activities: Mon- Sunday - timing flexible

Do you have a skills or talent that you can share?

You can support us by using your skills and talents to get involved in Teach Aimsir activities pack.

Interested in getting involved in Crosscare CWI Teach Aimsir?

Enquires at: www.crosscare.ie or Louise Bagnall @ lbagnall@crosscare.ie

Refugee Crisis: the Red Cross is co-ordinating the national strategy for welcoming the refugees who will begin to arrive in Ireland from January in groups of 400. Most of the accommodation will be provided outside Dublin, but there will be a need for financial, practical and social support.

Parishes can establish a refugee fund and as the groups arrive in Ireland those pledges will be matched with the needs that arise. Crosscare are leading the Diocesan response and if you have facilities, goods or support skills that you are willing to offer please contact Crosscare on 018360011. You can also go to the Irish Red Cross Website and offer your services on the register of pledges.

In November we will have a meeting in the Parish Centre to look at how we can respond to both these situations as a Parish and as part of the group of Swords Parishes.