

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

30TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

27TH 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

As the Synod on Synodality in Rome draws to a close this weekend, and the Synod members agree a report to be presented to Pope Francis, Cardinal-designate, Timothy Radcliffe, who led a retreat at the start of both last year and this year's Synods, cautioned against an expectation of major headline changes at the present time. He said that the Synod is more about '*a deep renewal of the Church in a new situation*'. What I think he is saying is that the Synod is about a new way of being Church, where future Synod gatherings will no longer be a gathering of bishops only, but will increasingly include lay representatives and adopt the synodal listening style which has characterised these two Synods on Synodality. Addressing the Synod delegates this week, Fr. Radcliffe said: 'So even if you are disappointed by the result of the synod, God's providence is at work in this assembly, bringing us to the Kingdom in ways that God alone knows.... This is just one synod. There will be others. We do not have to do everything, just try to take the next step.'

This week also saw the passing of Fr. Gustavo Gutierrez, author of '*Theology of Liberation*' and recognised generally as the father of Liberation

Theology. Liberation Theology sought to encourage people in Latin America who were poor and oppressed to reflect together on their situation through the eyes of the gospel and to challenge injustice. It had a significant impact on the bishops of Latin American countries who met at Medellin (1968) and Puebla (1979) and sought to apply the teachings of the Second Vatican Council to their own situation. A priest of the diocese of Lima in Peru, Fr. Gustavo was not only an academic but worked in parishes, where he accompanied parishioners in their struggles and suffering. On the occasion of his 90th birthday six years ago, Pope Francis thanked Fr. Gutierrez for his contribution to the Church and to humanity and for his emphasis on Christ's preferential love for the poor. May the fruits of his life and work continue to enrich and challenge the Church.

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

On Friday 1st November, **Feast of All Saints**, there will be two Masses: at 10.00am and 7.30pm.

On Saturday 2nd November, **Feast of All Souls**, Mass will be at 10.00am.

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. 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 Reminder to parishioners that **Summer Time ends** this Sunday 27th October, so before you go to bed on Saturday night, remember to put your clocks or watches back by one hour. Enjoy the extra hour's sleep!

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

Our annual **Mass for deceased parishioners** will take place at 7.30pm on Friday 15th November. Families of parishioners who died during the past year will be invited to the Mass, but all parishioners are welcome to come to the Mass, especially those who may have lost a loved one during the past year.

A meeting of the **Parish Finance Committee** will take place on Tuesday 29th October at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.

Many thanks to our parishioners for your very generous contribution to the recent annual Mission Sunday collection which amounted to €1310.

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John
Bible Study continues each Monday from 7.30-8.30pm in the pastoral centre. Follow me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, an 8-part Bible study.

Altar List of the Dead envelopes are available on the tables at the back of the church. Those whose names are on the altar list of the Dead are remembered at daily Mass throughout the month of November and on the first Friday of every month throughout the year.

Our first monthly **Family Mass** will take place at 6.00pm on Saturday 9th November. 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. 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!

The **New Swords Active Retirement Group** will host a free over 55s information meeting on the recent 2025 budget changes. All welcome on Friday 1st 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.

Swords ICA: Would you like to craft, socialise, dance enjoy quizzes, go to the cinema and make new friends? Join us Thursday evenings during term times 7:30pm to 9:30pm in BASE, Brackenstown Road, K67 PH96. We are a friendly bunch and there is always a cup of tea!

Pray for the Souls in Purgatory A day of prayer for the souls in purgatory at Emmanuel House, Clonfert on Sunday 10th November
Bus departs St Cronan's Church at 8:15am
Contact Nora at 8404247 or 0863292329

Rosary Statue
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.

Religious Goods & Literature - Suitable gifts for families

The Order of Mass Congregational Cards, Candles, Statues, Bibles etc. all available in main porch after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses. Having them in the home sanctifies the circumstances of family life.



Legion of Mary

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Pat Corcoran
Patricia Donnelly

Anniversaries

Paddy Callery (1A)
Frances Browne (2A)
Tony McCarthy (10A)
John Cantwell
Tony O'Donnell
Gretta & John Millington
& Dcsd Family Members
Margaret, John & John Jnr
Murtagh
Teresa Donnelly
Frances & Dominic Moran

10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon	Vincent Kelleghan (RD)
Tues	Paddy Callery (1A)
Wed	Vincent Kelleghan (RD)
Thur	Pat Kearns (RD)
Fri	Michael & Annie O'Reilly (A) Patrick & Mary Cullen (A)
Sat	Special Intention

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it
Please phone Terri - 8403243
Sunday 20th October to Saturday 2nd November
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"



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

Grief Support Group

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*

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