

# ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

4TH MAY 2025

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## *The Jubilee Prayer*

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

*Franciscus*

Church in our time. As the world's cardinals of voting age prepare to enter Conclave next Wednesday, we pray that they will discern the movement of the Holy Spirit as they meet to elect a successor to St. Peter, and to Pope Francis. Come Holy Spirit!

*Fr Richard*

Our monthly **Family Mass** will take place next Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm.



The Church Gate Collection for SVP takes place at all Masses this weekend. Your support to their ongoing work is greatly appreciated.

Thanks also to parishioners who have returned their Trocaire Lenten boxes. Trocaire boxes can be returned to the sacristy or parish office up to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Congratulations to the pupils from Scoil Chronain SNS and Gaelscoil Bhriain Boroimhe, who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this week!

The children from Swords and Thornleigh Educate Together schools will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** next Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00am.

Many thanks to those parishioners and visitors who have returned **Easter Offerings**, which form part of the annual remuneration of the priests of the parish and of the diocese. The parish Easter card and Offering envelope can be found on tables around the church.

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)

**The Bible and the Church Fathers** course will not take place this Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May, as it is a public holiday.

A **Baptism preparation meeting** for those who are being baptised during the month of May will take place this Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May following the 11.00am Mass in the parish centre.

A meeting of the parish **Care for Creation** committee will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the parish centre. All are welcome.

The monthly meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Council** will take place on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

## TWO TALKS ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

In the run up to Pentecost, Sean Goan, Biblical scholar will give two talks on the Holy Spirit

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May**  
**'Action of the Holy Spirit in the Early Church'**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May**  
**'Current Process of Synodality'**

These talks will be at 7.30pm in Parish Centre, St Cronan's Church

An Information meeting for those who might be interested in the diocesan two year **Pathways** programme or one year certificate in **Catechesis** will be held in St. Paul's, Arran Quay on 26<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm. A number of our parishioners have participated in these programmes over the past few years and have found them very empowering for participating in parish

In the lead up to Pentecost, Sean Goan (biblical scholar) will give two presentations on the activity of the Holy Spirit in the experience of the early Church (as described in the St. Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles) and in the process of Synodality in the Church today. These talks will be on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm in Glasmore Abbey, St Cronan's Parish Centre**

**PATHWAYS**  
2 YEAR PROGRAMME  
1<sup>st</sup> YEAR FOCUS ON BASIC THEOLOGY OF GOD \* JESUS \* CHURCH \* WORSHIP \* WORD OF GOD \* SACRAMENTS \*  
2<sup>nd</sup> YEAR FOCUS ON MINISTRIES

**TWO COURSES**

**26 MAY 7.30PM**  
ST PAUL'S ARRAN QUAY

**CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS**  
4 FOUNDATIONAL MODULES & MODULES ON BAPTISM COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION  
SUITABLE FOR A GROUP FROM A PARISH TO GROW AS A TEAM

Scan the QR code to register or use the link: <https://forms.office.com/e/tZbAUJkR3>

**THE MARCH FOR LIFE** will take place on Bank Holiday Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm from Newman University Church side of Stephen's Green to the Dáil. For more information visit [www.marchforlife.ie](http://www.marchforlife.ie) or phone 01 662 9275.

## Join us on a Journey through Carmelite Spirituality.

A series of talks exploring the teaching and example of the great Carmelite saints, brought to life by inspiring Carmelite speakers. Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> of May – 7.30pm— St. Teresa of Avila, Towards Depth in Prayer; Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> of May – 7.30pm St. Therese of Lisieux, Her Little Way, Finding God in the Ups and Downs of Daily Life; Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> of May – 7.30pm St. Titus Brandsma - Catholic Journalist, Courageous Witness to Truth. All Talks on in St. Sylvester's Parish Centre, Malahide.

**Swords Memory Cafe** for people living with dementia, their carers, family members and those interested in fostering a dementia inclusive community in Swords – hold a free Cafe on the third Thursday of each month in Fingallian's GAA club between 10.30am and 12.30pm.

Prayer Resources for the Jubilee Year can be found at <https://dublindiocese.ie/jubilee2025/>  
The latest edition of *Mission & Ministry Matters* is available by clicking [here](#)

## Religious Goods- Suitable for the home

Baptism, Confirmation and Communion gifts/items, Statues, ornaments, children's colouring books, bibles and lots more available at Repository on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings.



**Legion of Mary**

## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

**Recently Deceased**  
Tom Walsh

**Anniversaries**  
Willie McKittrick (35A)  
Josephine & Michael Slevin  
Marie Dillon  
Anthony Gargan (2A)

## 10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK

<b>Mon</b>	John & Esther Halpin (A) Peter, Betty & Peter Jnr Ivory (A)
<b>Tues</b>	Dick Slattery (A)
<b>Wed</b>	Brian Fagan (RD)
<b>Thur</b>	Kathleen Nugent (RD) Bob McQuillan (3A)
<b>Fri</b>	Jack & Teresa Goulding (A) & Dcsd Family Members
<b>Sat</b>	Tom Walsh (RD)

**Traveller Outreach Addiction Service:**  
This is a free and confidential drug and alcohol treatment service providing addiction support to the Traveller Community and their families in North Dublin. Opening hours: 9.00am-5.00pm. To speak to a member of the team, contact: 01/6991077.

For more information contact: [travellersupport@coolminetec.ie](mailto:travellersupport@coolminetec.ie).

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

**Bethany Bereavement Support Group**  
offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it  
**Please phone Terri on 8403243, or Brid on 086 6006397**

*"I ask you Lord to be kind to them now, who were always kind to me here"*

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

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