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4th June 2017

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ✕ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

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ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2017

4TH - 11TH JUNE

This year's Ecumenical Bible Week includes 23 events with 25 presenters over 14 days in Dublin and Arklow.

Three of these events will take place in St. Colmcille's Church, Chapel Lane, Swords.

Please see posters and leaflets in Church for more details.

Free Events in St. Colmcille's Church:

June 6 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
The Bible and your 'Other' – Faith beyond Frontiers
Jools Hamilton

June 7 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Christianity – A Beautiful Insanity!!
Frank Brown

June 8 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Listening to Hear
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ST CRONAN'S STATUE UPDATE



The statue of St Cronan will be dedicated and blessed by Bishop Field at 12:30pm Mass this weekend. We have now exceeded our targets by raising €5,695 of the €5,302 cost of the project. A huge thank you to St. Cronan's Senior National School for donating €800 raised from "Jersey Day" - it is much appreciated.

Swords Parishes Pilgrimage Walk

We will have our annual pilgrimage walk on

SATURDAY 10TH JUNE AT 2:00PM

The route will proceed as follows:

- ⇒ St. Finian's Church River Valley at 2:00pm
- ⇒ St. Colmcille's Church
- ⇒ St. Colmcille's Well
- ⇒ St. Columba's Church
- ⇒ St Cronan's Well
- ⇒ And will conclude in St. Cronan's Church, Brackenstown

This is a very enjoyable walk for all and should take about two hours.



BRACKENSTOWN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Accompanied by a
Spiritual Director
Fr. Kevin O'Connor
22nd - 27th Sept 2017

Further details:

Susan Keane
8407100 or
085 8471539

Join tens of thousands in Dublin on Saturday, July 1st, as we march to celebrate **LIFE** and in support of the 8th Amendment - the part of our constitution that protects the **EQUAL** right to **LIFE** of mothers and preborn babies. The fact is, the 8th Amendment **SAVES LIVES** - up to 30 lives every single day from abortion.

Let's send a clear and powerful message to the nation, to the government, to the world - we are pro-life and proud - and we will **SAVE** the 8th!



WMOF LOGO (PART 3):

The Church, the Family of Families

The red semicircle with the cross on the top echoes logo of the Archdiocese of Dublin, which is the host diocese for WMOF2018. As well as representing God's love, flowing from the cross, embracing all the families of the world, the semicircle and cross also represent the 'dome' of the Church, "a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches" (Pope Francis, *The Joy of Love*, n. 87). In the logo, as in real life, the Church embraces the family, protects the family and supports the family. When our families are stronger, society is stronger, and the Church is stronger.



NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

In mid-June we hope to begin the information and discernment meeting. It will be at the end of this time that we will try to form a new Pastoral Council. Please keep saying the Prayer for Discernment that the Holy Spirit will guide this process.

**All Loving and Gracious God,
You know my inmost thoughts
and You are familiar
with all my ways.
You have blessed me
with many gifts and talents.
Give me a share of Your wisdom, show
me Your truth, and reveal to me the
secrets of my own heart.
May I have the courage to look
honestly and deeply
at the reality of my life,
so that I can faithfully follow You.
Help me to see in myself
what You see,
and give me
the courage to uncover
both my strengths & weaknesses,
to know and follow
Your will for me
each and every day of my life.
Bless Your Church
with generous hearts,
eager to serve Your people
and to spread Your Word. Amen.**

MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Brian Foster (A)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
12:30pm: All Parishioners Living & Deceased
5:30pm: Padraic Flaherty (A)

PRAY FOR

Harry Sheridan (RD)
Thomas Fitzsimons (RD)
Thomas Lowndes (A)

MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon 10:00 am: Olga Pushkar (10th A)
Tues 10:00 am: Exam Intention
Wed 10:00 am: Special Intention
Thurs 10:00 am: Hilary & Martin Byrne (A)
Fri 10:00 am: Dcsd Members of Lawless & Mulvaney Families
Sat 10:00 am: Special Intention



CONGRATULATIONS

to our parishioners Louise Donnelly, Brid Harrington and Doreen Keaney with Stephanie Pepper (Rivervalley) and Betty McDonald (Swords) who graduated in Clonliffe

College last Thursday having completed the Pathways Programme.

The programme takes place one evening a week over two years and is an opportunity to learn, reflect and discuss many different areas of faith. Speaking on behalf of the class, Louise highlights what the course meant to them:

"Pathways has set me on the road of discovering my faith in ways I never knew existed - enriching and deepening my belief in Jesus Christ along the way. When a person becomes renewed in Christ, you find you don't talk the same, think the same or do things in the same way. One's whole being has been converted to God and so one has to continually learn who one is, as baptised in Christ Jesus. Pathways helps us on this journey."

Pathways is now enrolling for next year's course. If you are interested please talk to any of our graduates to find out more about it, or phone Sr. Eileen Houlahan at (01) 8379253 or email pathways@dublindiocese.ie. The programme begins in Clonliffe College on Thursday 21st September 2017.

The Parish will cover 50% of the costs and we strongly encourage you to consider the course if you want to reflect deeper about your faith and relationship with God.



SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE REMINDER

For July, August and September (with the exception of First Fridays) there will be a Service of the Word led by a trained team of Parishioners at 10:00am on Friday mornings, this will lead into the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:00pm.

For the month of August there will be no 6:30pm Mass on a Saturday evening. There is 6:30pm Mass available on Saturdays in both Swords and Rivervalley. The 6:30pm Mass will resume on Saturday 2nd of September.

For the month of September there will be no 5:30pm Mass on Sunday evening from the 3rd of September. There is a 6:30pm Mass available in Swords on Sunday Evening. The 5:30pm Mass will resume on Sunday 8th October.

Feast of the Assumption 15th August. There will be no vigil Mass for the Feastday as there is a Vigil Mass at 7:30pm in Swords and Rivervalley. There will be Mass at 10:00am and 7:30pm.

The dates for Baptisms in August have also changed and the new dates are available on the Parish Website.

CEMETERY MASSES / PRAYERS in JUNE

Sunday 11th June	3:00pm	St. Fintan's, Sutton	Mass
Sunday 18th June	12 noon	Fingal	Mass
Sunday 18th June	1:45pm	Malahide	Prayers
Sunday 25th June	3:00pm	Whitestown, Rush	Prayers
Sunday 25th June	4:00pm	Swords Cemetery	Mass

PRAYER MEETING

Spend One Hour... **Tuesday next 6th June 8-9pm**, Sisters' Oratory **29 Brackenstown Village**. This Prayer Meeting honours Servant of God Frank Duff, Founder of Legion of Mary. Everybody most welcome. Also, Commemoration Ceremony, Glasnevin Cemetery, Sunday 4th June at 3pm (main gate).

EASY EVANGELISATION!

If you could give 20-30 minutes per month, you could do a lot to spread the Good News. Help needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish...eg Ormond, Knocksedan, Ashton, Castleview etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after weekend Masses or leave your name & phone no. with Louise in Parish Office.



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 every month from 4pm–5pm. Can you stay one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.

THE ROSARY - MAKE A NEW BEGINNING!

Many people have forgotten how to say the rosary and would like a little help. It is simple... arrange to have the Rosary Statue in your home for a week and you will get that help. Prayer is of vital importance in our lives. At Fatima Our Lady asked us to pray the Rosary. Why not make a new start? Just leave your name & contact details with a member of Legion of Mary (in main porch) after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses and arrangements will be made to suit you.



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

FAMILY OFFERING

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

April Standing Order €4,400
Outdoor Collection €891.05
Annals/Half Yearly €0.00



BINGO Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm
Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome!



The next meeting in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre
on Tuesday 6th June from 11am - 1pm
Tea & coffee available from 10:30am. All Welcome.



wish to thank the parish for their generous response to their annual appeal on the weekend of 18/19 March. The amount raised €2,670.33.

Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this week and next:

Pentecost Sunday: First Reading Acts of the Apostles (Acts) 2:1-11, 2nd Reading 1st Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; Gospel John (Jn.) 20:19-23

Trinity Sunday: First Reading Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; 2nd Reading 2nd Corinthians 13:11-13; Gospel John (Jn.) 3:16-18



The next Parent Meeting is **Thursday 6th July**



Next dates for Baptisms:

Saturday 8th July 12:30 pm
Sunday 23rd July 1:45 pm

Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Times:

Weekday Mass:

Holyday Mass:

Confession:

Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,
Fr. Joseph Njanackal, C.S.T., C.C.
Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker
Louise Donnelly, Secretary

Sunday: 6:30pm (Sat. Vigil); 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm
Monday to Saturday 10:00am
Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am
Saturday 10:30am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm
After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday
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01 8408926 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com
089 4614226 – peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie
01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com
Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm



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