

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

1st Sunday of Advent
28th November 2021 Year B

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection replaces the Share Collection at all Masses next weekend. Envelopes will be available at the back of the Church and you can also make a donation into the Special SVP boxes at the doors of the Church. The SVP continue to support those seeking assistance. This year, more than ever, your help is needed to make sure that children and families have what they need to share in the magic of the season. Next weekend St Vincent de Paul will be holding a church collection in the hope to raise funds for people who are struggling this Christmas.



SYNOD PRAYER

*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.*

Blessing of the New Altar

will take place during the 11:00am Mass on Sunday 5th December. We encourage all those who made a contribution to attend or join us on the webcam



We wish Fr. Anthony every blessing as he returns to his home in India after serving three years in ministry in the parish of River Valley. May God bless him in his ministry in the future.

Pastoral Letter for Advent

Copies of [Archbishop Farrells Pastoral Letter for Advent](#) are available at the back of the Church and also on Facebook and the parish website.

Advent Talks

Tuesday 30th November at 7:30pm
Bambinelli - Reflecting on the Infant
Thursday 9th December at 7:30pm
Our Lady in Advent

Christmas Mass Bouquets

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards are now available from the Parish Office & the Legion of Mary shop. The offering is €5.00 and they will be remembered at our Christmas Masses.



The Parish has produced a booklet for children with colouring, activities and family suggestions for the Season of Advent. There are some printed copies available in the Church or you can download it from the Parish website



Remembering those who have died and those away from home

From Sunday 5th December the stars and angels to remember our loved ones who have died or who are away from home, will be on a table at the front of the Church. Take one away and write your family names on it, then place it in the box marked "Star and Angels". These will be placed on our Christmas Tree and remembered during our Christmas Masses.

Trócaire Christmas Gifts from €5.00 for a bar of soap to chickens, trees and bees, the Trócaire Christmas Gifts make a real difference to communities around the world. The gift cards are available from the Parish Office and are on display in the Pastoral Centre.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve Family Mass at 4:00pm and 6:00pm:
Booking online or through the Parish Office

www.brackenstown-parish.com.

There is a limit of 200 places at each Mass.

Evening Masses (no booking needed): 8:00pm and 10:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES: 9:00am; 10:30am; 12:00noon

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION FOR CHRISTMAS

As there will be no reconciliation service this year, we will have confessions available as follows:

Wednesday 1st December 7:30pm to 8:20pm in the Sacristy
Wednesday 15th December 7:30pm to 8:20pm in the Sacristy
Wednesday 22nd December 7:30pm to 8:20pm in the Sacristy
Christmas Eve 10:30am to 12:00noon.

Confession is also available every Saturday 10:45am to 11:30am in the Pastoral Centre.

Twelve DAYS OF Christmas Draw



12 Amazing Prizes
1st Prize – A week in Las Vegas to the value of €6500.



SCAN ME

Support your local Scout Group providing Scouting activities for 100 youth.
12 Day of Christmas Tickets €2 each.
Buy this Sunday after mass or Buy online

<https://scoutschristmasdraw.ie/Brackenstown>

Bethany Bereavement Support Group offers a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who might wish to avail of it.
Please phone Sr. Mary on 01 8404323 from 6-9.30pm - week Sunday 28th November to Saturday 4th December
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Thanksgiving Mass
Tues: Patricia Lacey (A)
Thomas Hatch (6A)
Wed: Michael (Mick) Hanrahan (RD)
Thur: John & Breda Kissane (A)
Fri: Irene Costello Kirwan (1A)
Sat: Michael (Mick) Hanrahan (RD)

cross care
20-23 Arran Quay
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We would like to thank you for your most generous contribution to THE ANNUAL COLLECTION for
CROSSCARE Community Food Banks & Cafes, Homeless & Youth Services, Migrants & Refugees
(which took place 18th & 19th September)
It is with **your help and support** that we continue to reach out to the needy in the diocese.
YOUR PARISH CONTRIBUTED
€ 2,315.00 FOR 2021
Thank You

Tap & Donate
We thank those of you who have been using our Tap & Donate machine at the main door of the Church. €125 was received for the month of September. 60% goes to First Collection for priests and retired priests of the Diocese and 40% goes to the Share Collection.
If you use the white envelopes for the Mass collections so that we can record your offering, please continue to do this instead of using the Tap and Donate as this machine cannot record your details.



SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Anniversaries
Brian Owen (1A)
Carmel Cronly (1A)
Mary Ryan (1A)
Agnes Sammon (2A)
John O'Hare (3A)
Thomas Hatch (6A)
Leopold Batt (9A)
Patrick Byrne (55A)
Christopher Martin (BR)
Philip Hickey (BR)

Recently Deceased
Kathleen Dargan (MM)
John Kerins
Helen Lane
Linda Mooney
Liam Shanahan
(formerly of Pine Grove)

MASS TIMES:
MONDAY to SATURDAY
10:00am
SUNDAY (Sat Vigil) 6:00pm;
9:00am; 11:00am & 5:00pm
CONFESSIONS
SATURDAY
10:45am to 11:30am
in the Pastoral Centre;
ADORATION
WEDNESDAY: 6pm - 9pm
FRIDAY: 3pm—6pm

PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT

Incense Burners & Incense from the Holy Land
FOR SALE



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'Let my prayer rise up like incense before You' - Psalm 141:2

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ROSARY STATUE
You might like to have the "Rosary Statue" in your home for a week and pray the rosary.... If you would like this, arrangements can be made to suit your circumstances. Please contact a member of the Legion of Mary after Saturday evening Mass or Sunday morning Masses or through the Parish Office.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS
Christmas cards, nativity tree decorations, rosary beads, Candles, Children's Books, Statues, Holy Water Fonts and other religious goods available in Parish Centre after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. Also available by emailing brackenstownparish@gmail.com Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

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