

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

7th November 2021 Year B
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Trócaire East Africa Hunger Crisis

"The field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the Kingdom" (Mt 13:38)

A terrible hunger crisis is raging across East Africa, driven by escalating climate change, conflict, swarms of desert locusts, and Covid. Over 30 million children, women, and men are being pushed into

starvation. People and their livestock are dying. Without emergency food and aid, many more won't survive. Lives depend on our ability to reach them. South Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia, and the state of South Kordofan in Sudan especially are being brought to their knees by sparse and delayed average rainfalls which are the result of climate change. A grim third wave of Covid and regional conflict are making matters worse. The very young, very old, and nursing mothers are so vulnerable. Babies. Children. Women. Men. And tiny infants whose mothers were killed in outbreaks of appalling violence. Yet with your help it is not too late to reduce tragic loss of life and ease suffering.

Trócaire staff and partners are on the ground in the worst-hit regions: the countries of South Sudan, Somalia, and Ethiopia, and the state of South Kordofan in Sudan. We are rushing emergency food and aid into devastated communities to keep people alive, and working with tireless local church groups to do all we can. We must respond and every cent makes a massive difference. But the human suffering is enormous. The support you show will be there beside Trócaire in the weeks and months to come by helping deliver emergency food baskets to desperate families, provide schools and communities with safe water, fund drought-tolerant seeds plus hay and medicine so farmers can save their livestock and have hope of a harvest, and equip stretched health centres to treat tragic levels of malnutrition.

The Bishops of Ireland have called for a national Church collection on the 6th and 7th of November to support Trócaire in providing life-saving aid to vulnerable communities in East Africa and DRC, where millions of people are being pushed to the edge of starvation. Trócaire teams are already responding on the ground, and are ready to provide more life-saving assistance but need more resources. Any support the Parish can give to this Emergency Appeal will help the urgent work of Trócaire and their hardworking local partners.

The Irish Bishops Conference has agreed for an Emergency Collection, 6th and 7th November, to take place in all Parishes including yours. Your Parish's Emergency Collection will support Trócaire's work in the countries of East Africa and in nearby countries similarly affected, and rush urgent food, water, and lifesaving aid to people who desperately need your love now. Please help if you can. For more information see www.trocaire.org.



ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH
BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners takes place this year on Friday 12th November at 7:30pm. During this Mass we remember all who have died since November 2020 to October 2021. Families are invited to prepare a piece about their loved one for the Book of Remembrance which will be available to view in the Church. Please email or drop the piece about your loved one into the Parish Office.

On Thursday 18th November, at 7:30pm we will have a Mass of Remembrance for those who died from November 2019 to October 2020. The Masses will also be available to view on our webcam.

Lord, for Your Faithful People Life is changed not ended

**ENVELOPES FOR THE
TRÓCAIRE SPECIAL APPEAL
ARE AVAILABLE ON THE
TABLES AT THE BACK
OF THE CHURCH.**

Trócaire
Working for a just world.

**SPECIAL APPEAL
FOR EAST AFRICA
DONATION ENVELOPE**

ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD



The envelopes and notelets for the Altar List of the Dead have now been delivered to homes in the parish. There are also some available on the tables at the back of the Church. When you complete your list please put it in the box at the doors of the Church or hand it in to the Parish Office. You can also submit your Altar List on our website. The names on the Altar List are remembered at all weekend Masses for the time being. Many thanks to all those who have already left their envelope back.

Anam Cara North Dublin
the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 17th November at 7:20pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Please contact info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

The Brackenstown branch of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society are holding their AGM in the parish centre on Tuesday 9th November after the 10 am Mass. They would love to have new members, and any parishioner who would like to hear about the Society's work will be warmly welcomed.

At this meeting officers will either be re-elected or new officers will be elected to the committee.



Bethany Bereavement Support Group
offers a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who might wish to avail of it.

Please phone Bridget - 085 2812985
Sunday 7th to Saturday 13th November
Please phone after 6pm.

*"Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted"*

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Austin O'Malley (1A)
Tues: Winifred & James Kirwan (A)
Wed: Joan Kelly (6A)
Thur: Dcsd Members of Buckley Family
Fri: Special Intention
Sat: Dcsd Legionary's November Mass

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Anniversaries

Mary Maples (BR)
William & Eileen Byrne
Eamonn & Maureen Lawless
Conor Cronin (1A)
Francis & Mary Moreland
Mary-Anne Hallissey
Valerie English

Recently Deceased

Michael Hanrahan (MM)
Mai Delamere-Thompson
Siobhán Murray
Michael Lavelle



COMMEMORATION OF THE SERVANT OF GOD
FRANK DUFF
FOUNDER OF THE LEGION OF MARY
41ST ANNIVERSARY MASS

in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough St., Dublin 1
Saturday 20th November 2021 at 3:00pm

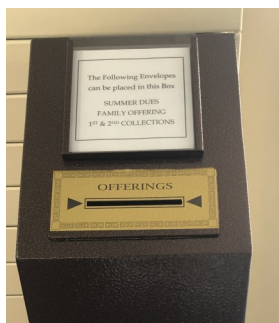
Most Reverend Dr Tom Deenihan
Bishop of Meath
Principal Celebrant & Homilist

Mass will be live streamed on
www.procathedral.ie

BORN 7TH JUNE 1889 –
DIED 7TH NOVEMBER 1980



We have new boxes at St. Cronan's Door and the Main Door in the Church to replace the White Letter Boxes for Family Offering Envelopes, Altar List of the Dead, Special Trocaire Appeal and Christmas Dues.



RELIGIOUS GOODS

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 the Parish Office at

brackenstownparish@gmail.com
Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

**'LIKE' Legion of Mary
Brackenstown Swords**



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 6:00pm - 9:00pm
FRIDAY 3:00pm - 6:00pm

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.



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