

# CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th Sunday Ordinary Time  
23rd October 2022 Year C



## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This Sunday is **World Mission Sunday**. The theme for this year's Mission Sunday is: *'You Shall Be My Witnesses'* (Acts 1:8), an extract from Jesus' last conversation with his disciples before ascending to the Father. It is a reminder that through Baptism every Christian is called to witness to Christ. This is what it means to be a missionary. We share in the apostles' mission to proclaim the Gospel and we do this most effectively by the witness of our lives. This is what makes it Good News for others. A special collection to support overseas mission and missionaries replaces the Share collection at all Masses and is co-ordinated by Missio Ireland. All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This fund supports missionary activities in over 1,100 young dioceses, mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters.

Fr. Richard



### BAPTISMS

We congratulate the families of babies Ellie Beth, Tess Susanna, Hugo Kieran & Nguyen Ngoc who will be baptised in our church this weekend!



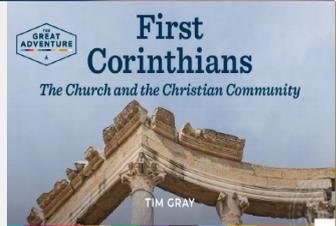
Envelopes have been left at the back of the church for the November Altar List. If you wish to have a deceased loved one(s) remembered at Mass, just write their names on the slip of paper inside each envelope, put the slip back in the envelope, together with a donation if you wish, and place the envelope in the safe or in the collection basket at Mass. Those whose names are on the Altar List will be remembered at each Mass during the month of November and on the First Friday of each month throughout the coming year.

## Annual Mass to Remember

parishioners who died during the past year will take place on

Wednesday 16th November at 7.30pm

The Bible seminars exploring the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians continue on Monday evenings at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome to join.



SUNDAY MASSES: (Sat Vigil) 6pm; 9am; 11am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY to SATURDAY 10:00am

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10:45am to 11:30am in the Pastoral Centre

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)

We are in the process of getting the church carpet cleaned. The work began on Thursday and will continue on Monday and Tuesday next week (outside Mass time). We apologise for any inconvenience the work may cause to parishioners.



As part of our move as a parish towards greener energy, we will be installing solar panels on the roof of the church, beginning next Friday 28th October. Once installed, the solar panels should generate a significant portion of the church's electricity requirement.



The Hospitality Committee are organising tea/coffee in the parish centre after 10.00am Mass each Wednesday. All are welcome.

**Garry Kehoe, the Diocesan Child and Vulnerable Adult Safeguarding Education Officer, will lead an Information evening on Child Safeguarding** in the Pastoral Centre on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**. All parish volunteers, who have not attended a similar information evening in the past three years, are invited to attend. All parish volunteers (ministers of the Word or of the Eucharist, sacristans, choir leaders, etc) are also asked to fill out a Volunteer Application form every three years and return it to the parish office. The form is available from the following link: <https://csp.dublindioocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/09/Confidential-Application-Declaration-Form-for-Parish-Staff-Volunteers.pdf>

Parish staff and volunteers, who work directly with children and vulnerable adults are required to be Garda vetted. The Garda Vetting Application form is available from the following link: <https://csp.dublindioocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2016/06/Parish-NVB-1-Form-2022.pdf>

Many thanks to all volunteers who have already completed forms and returned them to the parish office.



"The Swords branch of the St. Joseph's Young Priests Society is restarting with an inaugural meeting, in the Pastoral Centre, on Wednesday 25th after 10:30 am mass. We would be very happy to explain the work of the Society. All are welcome."

A meeting of the new **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** will take place in the parish centre on **Tuesday 1st November at 7.30pm**.

Below is the zoom link for 'Introduction to Islam' session scheduled for this Tuesday evening from 7pm-8pm.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88478155302?pwd=YzNUUGZzaHBldXgyNOVLVFJpSkIxQT09>

Esras Films, an independent TV production company are producing a religious documentary series for RTE (our national broadcaster) on the topic of multi-national, multicultural religious marriage. In many parts of Ireland, 1 in 4 marriages had at least one nationality other than Irish – there are many potential combinations of nationalities, cultures, ethnicities and faiths. Esras Films are especially interested in those couples who choose a religious wedding ceremony. There are obviously challenges when partners come from different religious traditions, but the choice of a religious ceremony shows a mutual respect among people of faith. The aim of the series is to celebrate the rich and diverse religious life in contemporary Ireland. And marriage in particular represents a very positive and joyful union! Esras Films would like to share those stories with viewers. So they are on the lookout for multi-cultural couples preparing for Christian marriage in the weeks and months ahead. Peter Kelly of Esras Films has asked us to let parishioners know about this project. If you and your fiancé(e) are from two different nationalities or two different Christian traditions or faith backgrounds and are happy to be interviewed for the programme series, you might contact Peter directly at Tel. 087 23 007 24.

The Fr James Gilmore Branch of O.N.E. would like to thank most sincerely the parishioners of Brackenstown for our recent Church Gate Collection. The amount collected is €460 for which we thank them sincerely.

#### THE ROSARY

The rosary helps us to focus on the main events in the life of Jesus. It is a wonderful prayer. The "Rosary Statue" was blessed at the recent Candlelight Procession. If you would like to have the statue in your home for a little time, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in the main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

#### Would You Like to Work for Our Lady?

Legion of Mary needs new members to help Our Lady bring Jesus to more people. Meetings are held in Parish Pastoral Centre on Tuesdays at 10:30am, Wednesdays 7:30pm and at 5pm on Fridays for Junior members. Why not come along and see what you can do!

**Bethany Bereavement Support Group** offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who may wish to avail of it



Sr. Mary 8404323 week Sunday 23rd October to Saturday 29th. Please phone Sr. Mary from 6-9.30pm "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Recently Deceased

Frank McNally  
Michael Tunstead

#### Anniversaries

Kathleen Dalgan (1A)  
John Cantwell (3A)  
Susan Clifford (10A)  
Tom (18A) & Seamus Mongan  
Nellie Lowndes  
Liz Kelly  
Carlie & Noel Flynn  
Maggie Rogers  
John & Margaret Murtagh  
Fr. Roy Drummey (BR)

### 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

**Mon** Con Carroll (RD)  
**Tues** Marie Gray (RD)  
**Wed** Mary Walsh (RD)  
**Thur** Kay Malone (RD)  
**Fri** Gerry Thornton (3A)  
**Sat** Larry O'Donoghue (RD)

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