

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ✕ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH



Parish Newsletter

29th April 2018 ✕ 5th Sunday of Easter ✕ Year B

Pope Francis has chosen Dublin to host the 2018 World Meeting of Families. In getting ready, we are continuing our parish conversations on what family means to us. We will also look at what Pope Francis says about the importance of family in the life of the church which he shared with us in Amoris Laetitia. The conversations will take place in each of the three parishes.



Conversation 3:

St. Colmcille's Parochial House	Tuesday 24th April	2pm - 3:30pm
St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre	Tuesday 24th April	7:30pm - 9pm
St. Finian's Church	Thursday 26th April	10:30am - 12pm

Conversation 4:

St. Colmcille's Parochial House	Tuesday 1st May	2pm - 3:30pm
St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre	Tuesday 1st May	7:30pm - 9pm
St. Finian's Church	Thursday 3rd May	10:30am - 12pm

Conversation 5:

St. Colmcille's Parochial House	Tuesday 8th May	2pm - 3:30pm
St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre	Tuesday 8th May	7:30pm - 9pm
St. Finian's Church	Thursday 10th May	10:30am - 12pm

Conversation 6:

St. Colmcille's Parochial House	Tuesday 15th May	2pm - 3:30pm
St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre	Tuesday 15th May	7:30pm - 9pm
St. Finian's Church	Thursday 17th May	10:30am - 12pm

Each conversation explores a different theme from Pope Francis' letter to the Church: The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia). These conversations are for everybody to share their experience of family. Please come along and share your story - after all we as a parish, are a family of families!



Rev. Canon Robert Deane is retiring!!
To celebrate his years of ministry as Rector in St. Columba's Church since 2000, we are having Evening Prayer on Friday 11th May in St. Columba's Church. Everybody most welcome to attend.

Swords - Rivervalley - Brackenstown
PARISH FAMILY PICNIC
in
Colaiste Choilm, Swords
Sunday
10th June 2018

Meet at your Church at 11:45am to walk to Colaiste Choilm for Mass at 12:00pm

Bring:
A Picnic
Chair
Blanket

After Mass:
Facepainting - Music
Dancing - Balloons
Ice cream - Games
Children's Area and more

All Are Welcome

INTERPARISH PICNIC - WE NEED YOU!

In preparation for the upcoming picnic of parishioners in Swords, Rivervalley & Brackenstown, help is required! We need Stewards and Volunteers to assist on the day. If you are available to help on **Sunday 10th June** please leave your name and phone number in the parish office on 01 8401188.

MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Joe Logue & Frank Moreland (A)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
11:00am: James & Kathleen Smith (A)
12:30pm: Peter Blanche (8th A)
5:30pm: William Bourke (5th A)

PRAY FOR

Joe Gallagher (A)
Brendan O'Keeffe (A)
Patricia O'Connor (RD)
Tom Siney (RD)
Geraldine Levins (RD)
Evan O'Gorman (RD)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Aisling Skelton (A)
Tues: Special Intention
Wed: Marian Movement of Priests
Pray for: Baby Joseph Mongan (A)
Thurs: Dcsd Members of Lawless & Mulvaney Families
Fri: Special Intention
Sat: Philip Cunningham (1st A)

Please take this Newsletter home



DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK ON 21ST APRIL

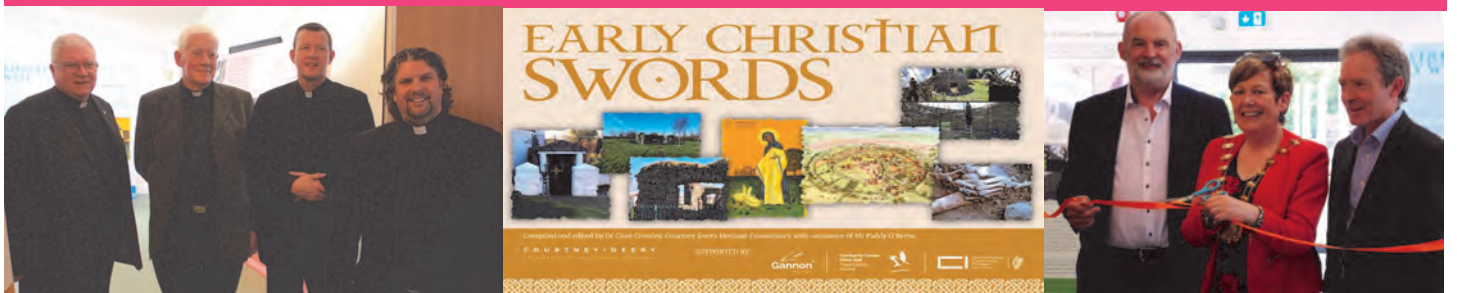
39 Pilgrims set off from Brackenstown, Swords & Rivervalley Parishes bright and early last Saturday for the first Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock that has been organised in many years. The weather was beautiful and every pilgrim thoroughly enjoyed the day! The program was very well organised with something for everyone and included a lovely reflection on the World Meeting of Family's Icon. The day finished with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin.

KNOCK



EARLY CHRISTIAN SWORDS EXHIBITION

The Official Opening of the Exhibition was held here in St. Cronan's Parish Pastoral Centre on Friday 20th April. Attendees included Lord Mayor of Swords Mary McCamley and Heritage Officer Dr. Gerry Clabby who along with Paddy O'Byrne officially opened the Exhibition. Others who attended were Independent Councillor David O'Connor, Rev. Canon Robert Deane, Frs. Desmond Doyle and Dan O'Connor. It is hoped that the exhibition will be shown in other venues around North County Dublin. There has been good attendance at the Exhibition over the two weeks that it was shown in the Parish Centre.



Church Safeguarding & Protection Statement

We the Parish of Brackenstown value and encourage the participation of children and young people in Parish liturgies and activities in order to enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development.

We recognise the dignity and rights of all children and young people and are committed to ensuring their protection from all forms of abuse and exploitation.

In keeping with this we will do all in our power to create safe environments for children and young people in order to secure their protection and enable their full participation in the life of the Parish. This is a commitment binding on all Priests and on all those who work and volunteer in this Parish.

Child Protection Code of Conduct

Within the Parish of St. Cronan's, Brackenstown:

- Children and young people will be treated with courtesy, respect and dignity
- Children and young people (under eighteen years of age) will not be permitted to consume alcohol or smoke while participating in activities organised by or under the control of the Parish
- There will be an adequate ratio of leaders to children and young people at all times
- Care will be taken to ensure that when working with mixed gender groups, staff and adult volunteers of appropriate gender will work in pairs
- Leaders (over the age of eighteen) will not consume alcohol or smoke while in the presence of children or young people
- Inappropriate language or sexually suggestive comments will not be permitted by children or young people
- Physical contact between children or young people and leaders will be appropriate at all times. Leaders will not engage in rough play or undertake any task of a personal nature with / for children or young people, except in cases of medical necessity when the welfare of the child or young person depends on it
- Leaders will always engage with children or young people in an open manner and care will be taken not to show favouritism
- There will be clearly designated leaders within each group with whom children and young people can speak about their experiences and raise any concerns should they arise

If anyone wishes to discuss any concern regarding child safeguarding and protection within our Church please contact:

Local Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Mary-Liz Donaghue, Nicola Gregan
Colette Burke
can be contacted on 01 840 1188

Archdiocese of Dublin Child Safeguarding and Protection Office

Designated Person: Andrew Fagan 01 8360314 / 087 685 3180
andrew.fagan@dublindiocese.ie

Garda Síochána Swords

01 666 4700

Tusla

01 870 8000

Other Helpful Contacts:

Samaritans Helpline	1850 609090
ISPPC	01 6767960
One in Four	016624070
Dublin Rape Crisis Centre	1800778 888
Child Line	1850 666 666
Towards Healing Helpline	1800 303 416
Children At Risk in Ireland (CARI)	1890 924 567
Barnados	1850 222 300

A full copy of the Parish and Diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Policy is available in the Sacristy and Parish Office. It is also available on the Parish Website www.brackenstown-parish.com and on the Archdiocese of Dublin Website www.dublindiocese.ie.

PARISH DIARY

DATE

EVENT

APRIL 2018

21st April	Do This In Memory Mass at 6:30pm
22nd April	Do This In Memory Mass at 12:30pm
23rd April	First Communion Rehearsal
26th April	First Communion Rehearsal
28th April	First Holy Communion 10:00 and 12:00

THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE



The next Parent Meeting is Thursday 3rd May
Next dates for Baptisms:
Saturday 12th May at 12:30pm
Sunday 27th May at 1:45pm

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

Brackenstown Parish Pilgrimage to Poland 1-7 July

Based in Krakow to include Wadowice, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mines and the Shrine of Sr. Faustina

Price: €835.00 per person sharing

The tour includes: Accommodation in Atrium Hotel 3* www.hotelatrium.pl Centrally located in the Old Town and just a short walk from the Market Square, the Atrium has 114 en-suite rooms (with shower), hairdryer, satellite TV and telephone phone. The hotel has a bar and restaurant serving local cuisine.

This tour includes: Return direct flight Dublin Krakow; Return airport transfers; 6 nights accommodation sharing twin room bed & breakfast; 4 dinners; Guided programme and coaching as per itinerary. Entrance fees where applicable. Services of English speaking guide for transfers and excursions. Insurance: €36.00 per person; 69 years plus rates on request; Checked in bag: Euro 70.00 approx. – 15 kg. Single room supplement: €35.00 per night (limited availability). Further details from Brackenstown Parish Office 8401188.



All welcome to the next meeting
Tuesday 1st May
Parkinson's Group Meeting
in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre
from 11am - 1pm
Tea & coffee available from 10:30am

2018 BRACKENSTOWN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Accompanied by a Spiritual Director Fr. Kevin O'Connor

22nd - 27th September 2018

Hotel Padoue - €739 per person sharing
 including airport taxes & free insurance

Deposit €200 per person - Single Room Supplement €180

Further details from Susan Keane Ph:8407100 or 085 8471539



PRAYER MEETING

Spend One Hour....Tuesday 1st May 8pm-9pm. Sisters' Oratory, 29 Brackenstown Village. This Prayer Meeting honours Servant of God, Frank Duff, founder of Legion of Mary. Everybody most welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Rosettes, Medals, Souvenirs etc. for First Holy Communion & Confirmation available in main porch after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

EASY EVANGELISATION! SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS!
Could you give 20-30 minutes per month to help spread the Good News? **Helpers needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!"** in a number of areas of the parish... including **St. Cronan's, Park Ave.** Etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone number with Louise in Parish Office.



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

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 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.

FAMILY OFFERING

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

March Standing Order €3,109.00

Outdoor Collection €687.77

Annals/Half Yearly n/a

All of the above contributions are recorded for the tax rebate.

COLLECTIONS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES

First Collection €1,513.14 (€386.50 recorded for tax rebate)

Vocations Sunday €1,932.00 (€274.23 recorded for tax rebate)



BINGO

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



Saturday 5th May at 4:00pm
and the First Saturday
of each month to August '18

In St. Cronan's Church, Brackenstown

A wonderful opportunity for parents and guardians of the parish to bring their children together in prayer!

For more information, please contact a member of Legion of Mary, St. Cronan's Church Main Porch after weekend Masses
 or Parish Office Phone No: 01 8401188



Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for next Sunday:

Fifth Sunday of Easter: First Reading: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm: 21: 26-28, 30-32; Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24; Gospel: John 15:1-8

Sixth Sunday of Easter:

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 24-35, 44-48; Psalm 97:1-4; Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10; Gospel John 15:9-17.



PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Times:
Weekday Mass:
Holyday Mass:
Confession:

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

Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 6:30pm, 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
 01 8401661 – 087 7404729 – pauljthornton@gmail.com
 01 8408926 – 089 4238775 – 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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DEPRESSION FROM A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE RETREAT
 Join Fr. Jim Noonan ODC & Fodhla McGrane on the 15th October at the Emmaus Centre, Swords. The weekend will bring your peace and comfort through music, praying The Divine Office, daily mass and the sacrament of reconciliation.

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