

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday of Advent
12th December 2021 Year B



BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

Bring the Baby Jesus from your crib to Mass this weekend for a special blessing

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH
BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

Annual Christmas Carol Service

JOIN US ONLINE ONLY
16 DECEMBER 2021
@ 7:30PM
VIA WEBCAM

Let us celebrate the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ

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

Brackenstown Parish
My Advent Book

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.



Pastoral Letter for Advent

Archbishop Farrells
Pastoral Letter for Advent

Copies are available at the back of the Church and also on Facebook and 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 4pm and 6pm
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): 8pm & 10pm

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

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.

A TIME OF PRAYER
 Archbishop Dermot Farrell in his recent pastoral letter, has asked all parishes in the Archdiocese of Dublin to pray the Synod Prayer during advent so we can mark time with the Lord, as we set out on a year of prayer, reflection and planning.

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.

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** Ellen Slattery (A)
Special Intention
- Tues:** Special Intention
- Wed:** Mai Logan (A)
Pray for: Kathleen Regan (A)
- Thur:** Tom & Bridget Maughan(A)
Anne & Laurence Maughan,
Bridget Mongan & Dcsd Family Members
- Fri:** Margaret Doyle (A)
- Sat:** John Kerins (MM)
Diana Ukutu (BR)

Our Christmas Dues Envelopes will be ready to be delivered to all the homes in the Parish on Tuesday. If you are able to help, please call into the Parish Office.



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 - week Sunday 12th to Saturday 18th December. Please phone from 6-8pm.
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Anniversaries

James Quinn
 Laurence & Elizabeth Wolohan
 Stephen O'Gorman & Dcsd Members of O'Gorman & Walsh Families
 Tom & Ita McArdle
 Liam Nolan
 Gustavo Cafolla
 Gemma O'Toole
 Dcsd Members of McGonigle & Stones Families
 Michael & Angela Hall

Recently Deceased

Colette Savage (MM)
 Anne McCorkell
 James Dempsey
 Mick Hanrahan
 Alice Ryan

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

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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INVITATION

You are invited to pray for your intentions through the intercession of Servant of God, Frank Duff, Tuesday 7th December, 8pm—9pm in Parish Pastoral Centre. Everybody most welcome.

LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Christmas cards, Cribs/Nativity Sets, 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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