

Parish Newsletter

TROCAIRE BOXES

**YOUR TRÓCAIRE BOX
 CAN MAKE A
 BIG DIFFERENCE**

**MORE THAN EVER, THE WORLD'S
 MOST VULNERABLE NEED YOUR HELP**



**MAKE IT COUNT
 DONATE NOW**

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 0800 912 1200 (NI)
www.trocaire.org
 Trócaire, Freepost,
 Maynooth, Co. Kildare
 Trócaire, 50 King Street,
 Belfast, BT1 6AD
 Or check with your local parish
 for the safest way to return it.

Trócaire

Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. This year, of course, it was not possible to return Trócaire boxes through schools or parishes in the usual way. This is the worst possible timing coming just as the world's poorest people need us most. Therefore, Trócaire are appealing to you to return your Lenten donation. Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate in the following ways:

1. On Pentecost Sunday (31st May) we will have a Trocaire Box Drop-Off outside the doors of the Church between 12 noon and 1pm for anyone wishing to leave back your box and go.
2. Online at www.trocaire.org
3. By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI) or 0800 912 1200 (NI)
4. By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare (ROI) or Trócaire, 10 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD (NI)
5. Check with your local parish on how to safely return your donation

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

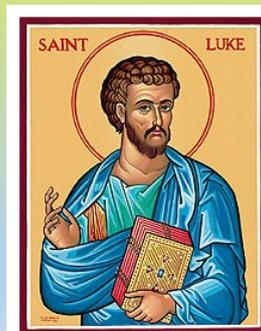
Read St Luke's Gospel over 5 Weeks

Brackenstown Bible Study Group invite you to join us in reading St Luke's Gospel

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic the study will be home based.

Each Monday a short five minute animated video will be emailed to you, this gives an overview of the reading for that week. We will start on Monday 25th May and the video for that week will cover chapters 1 & 2 of Luke. There will be an optional Zoom, on-line group discussion/questions and answers facility available on each Monday night.

The current difficult situation may be an opportunity for you to deepen your relationship with Christ through becoming more familiar with the Word of God. There is no charge to join in so why not give it a go? For more details please email Paddy at pobyrne50@gmail.com.



ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE OFFERED FOR INTENTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN BOOKED	PRAY FOR	10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK
Deceased Family Members of Colgan & Pentony Families Jackie & Peggy Kelly and Tommy Clune & Deceased Family Members (A) Charles McCorkall (A) Pat Tynan (RD)	Maria Taylor (9A) Johnny O'Reilly (A) John Halpin (A)	Mon: Anton Boylan (A) Tues: Jim Nugent (A); Pray for Charles McCorkall (A) Wed: Irene Greeley (A) & Deceased Family Members Thur: Pat Walsh (RD) Fri: Avril Flanagan (11A) Sat: Fr. Frank Caffrey (RD)

When visiting the Church please:

- ⇒ Use the anti-bacterial hand sanitiser in the porch, there is one at each door.
- ⇒ On entering the Church, use the right hand door marked 'Entrance' and leaving the Church, use the left hand door marked 'Exit'.
- ⇒ Only use the open benches and only one person per bench.
- ⇒ Immediately after leaving the bench, wipe where you have touched with the surface cleaner and tissue on the table at the main door.
- ⇒ Avoid having conversations inside the Church.
- ⇒ If you are talking outside make sure you are 2mts (6ft) apart.
- ⇒ At all times inside and outside the Church keep social distancing.
- ⇒ Both external and internal doors at the Main entrance must be left open.
- ⇒ Some windows are also open for ventilation.



The Parish Office is open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays from 10:30am to 12:30pm to facilitate the booking of Masses, Mass Cards, etc. The office is accessed through the Church. Please use the bell provided.

As we move forward we will give further advice on how we will move forward. These conditions for the return to public worship depend on the roadmap of re-opening society that the Government have set out. It is great to be able to work towards having the Sacraments celebrated in our Church again and meeting here as God's family. Please continue to pray for all our frontline workers and for our communities that we will work together to overcome COVID 19 and open up our society safely.

May 2020 Fr. Paul

Easter Dues

Easter Dues Envelopes are available at the back of the Church and can be returned by placing in one of the White Boxes at the back of the Church.



Easter Dues can now also be donated using the Parish online payments facility. Simply go to the Parish website. www.brackenstown-parish.com and then click on the "Donate" button at the top of the page. Then select "Easter Dues/Offerings" and enter the amount of your donation. You will need to have both your credit card/debit card and your mobile phone to hand. Your mobile phone is needed because a confirmation pin number will be texted to it. Please also consider using the online payment facility to set up a regular contribution to the first and second collections. These collections are the primary sources of financial support for our priests and for Share. As you are aware we do not currently have the opportunity to support these collections in the traditional way, yet our priests and Share are still depending on your support. You may also use the online facility to support the Parish Family offering and/or make a donation towards the new church furniture. For more detailed instructions or further information regarding the purpose of different collections please refer to the Parish website. Click on "Our Parish" at the top of the page and then click on "Finances"

Thank you for your support, it is very much appreciated.

Paddy O'Byrne, Parish Finance Committee

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Do you need to talk to a counsellor?

Fingal Counselling Service is open to accept new clients and new referrals. Given the current



restrictions on face to face contact, all assessment and counselling appointments will be completed via telephone until the restrictions are lifted. **Call 01 8902596**

Leave your name and contact number and one of our counsellors will return your call the answer service is checked daily. Alternatively you can email us at:

info@counsellingatfingal.com

CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE: 08180222 024

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

ALONE

READINGS FOR 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reading: Acts 1:12-14

PSALM: Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8

2nd Reading: 1 Pt 4:13-16

Gospel: Jn 17:1-11a

*Praying with
God's Word*

New Sanctuary Furniture

So far €€22,673 has been donated to our fundraising appeal, this includes a donation to cover the cost of the Ambo from the Bible Study Group and a gift from the Marie Reparatrice Sisters to cover the cost of the Sanctuary Lamp. If you wish to make a donation there are envelopes at the display at the Main Door.

View our Parish Webcam via the Parish Website www.brackenstown-parish.com

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