

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

11TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME 18TH JUNE 2023

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Reflection

We are already approaching the longest day of the year, and hopefully Junior and Leaving Cert candidates have the majority of their exams behind them. In a couple of weeks primary schools will be finishing up the school year before pupils and teachers get a well earned summer break. Many families will be heading off on holidays, children and teenagers availing of summer camps or going to the Gaeltacht, opportunities which are all the more appreciated as they were not available in recent years due to Covid restrictions. I've just returned from a retreat at the Cistercian abbey in Roscrea. The beauty of the surroundings, the singing of the liturgical hours by the monastic community, and the chorus of birdsong, provided a perfect context to enter in to the silence of retreat and create space for God. Summertime invites us to enter a different rhythm, to take time out from our normal schedules and to enjoy relaxation time with family and friends. It's also an invitation to recharge our batteries, to nurture our inner life, to enjoy the beauty of nature and to find the peace and new life that God desires for each of us. May the coming weeks be a time of refreshment and renewal for all.



'Listen to Her'

This year's *Day for Life* focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others.

Council for Life, Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference
in partnership with the
Catholic Bishops of England & Wales and of Scotland
councilforlife.ie

COFFEE MORNINGS

Wednesday 28th June will be the last Coffee Morning as the team will take a break for the summer and return in September. Many thanks to all on the Hospitality Team who make it happen every week.

Óglaigh Náisiúnta Na hÉireann (ONE)

The Fr. James Gilmore Branch (the Swords branch) of Oglaigh Naisunta na hÉireann Ex-Service Members are joining us for the 11.00 am Mass in St. Cronan's Church today



Fr. Richard



The registration forms for **First Communion and Confirmation 2024** are now available on the parish website at brackenstown-parish.com.

Parents of children who are going into 2nd class or 6th class in September and who wish their child to make their First Communion or Confirmation next year are invited to complete the online form to register their child by 30th June 2023. There is a registration fee of €50 which covers the various costs involved (administration, sacramental programme materials, printing of booklets, music, flowers etc). This can be paid online using the 'Donate' button on our website and using Options 3. or 4. It may also be paid through the parish office.

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION FOR 2024

First Holy Communion & Confirmation



IN ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH
BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

Online Registration for Sacraments of First Communion & Confirmation 2024 are now open. Please use this link to register your child.

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

WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY to SATURDAY 10:00am

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10:45am to 11:30am in the Sacristy

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

The monthly meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Council** will take place in the Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm on Thursday 22nd June.

A meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Centre Committee** will take place on Monday 26th June at 6.30pm.

We congratulate Fr. Pat Reilly, parish priest of Donabate, who celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood this weekend.

We pray for Norvil Caguioa, who will be ordained as a Permanent Deacon by Archbishop Emeritus Diarmuid Martin, this Sunday 18th June at 3.00pm, in the Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South.

Catechesis Course

Starting this September the Office of Mission and Ministry will be offering a **Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis**. This is a modular course over seven Saturdays in St Paul's, Arran Quay.

Part One of the course explores Foundations in Catechesis with four modules:

Module One: The Vocation of the Catechist – Called to Share Faith

Module Two: Catechesis and the RCIA

Module Three: Catechesis, Method and Content

Module Four: Catechesis, Prayer and Liturgy

Part Two of the course explores Catechesis in Practice with three modules

Module Five: Accompanying Families for Baptism

Module Six: Accompanying Families for Holy Communion

Module Seven: Accompanying Families for Confirmation

On completion of the course participants will receive the Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis. Assessment will be done through journaling. To register or for more information please contact patricia.carroll@dublindiocese.ie.

Applications are now open for the next intake of participants for **Pathways**. The programme, run by the Dublin Archdiocese, begins this year in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upp. Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9, on Thursday, September 28 (7pm – 9.30pm). Places are limited so early application is advised. Pathways is a two-year, one-evening-a-week course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Some sponsorship may be available for those of limited means. Places are limited. For more information please visit www.missionministry.ie or contact Eileen Houlahan, Director, Pathways Programme at 01 8087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie.



A Church Gate Collection will take place next weekend **24/25 June** for the sick pilgrims travelling on the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 21st June at 7:15pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924. 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 us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



The Archbishop of Rouen has invited the Archbishop of Dublin and the people of the Dublin Diocese to join him in the town of Eu in Normandy in **May 2025** for the celebration of the 800th anniversary of St Laurence O'Toole's canonisation with the Diocese of Rouen. Those interested in participating in, or organising a group for, this pilgrimage celebration, can contact Fr Ivan Tonge, Ringsend (ivan.tonge@gmail.com), or Fr John Flaherty, Portmarnock (john.flaherty@dublindiocese.ie)



Rooms in the parish centre are available during the summer months for outside groups to book. Contact Paul Moreland, secretary of the Parish Pastoral Centre Committee, for more information or to make a booking at: paulmoreland6@gmail.com or phone the parish office any weekday morning at: 01/8401188.



Legion of Mary

INVITATION TO PATRICIAN MEETING

The Link between God and His Humanity

The next Patrician Meeting will focus the link between God and His Humanity.

Thursday 22nd June at 8:00pm in Parish Pastoral Centre.

Spiritual Director will attend.

Praying the Rosary

The Legion of Mary are an untiring advocate of the rosary championing a better understanding of it, a stronger commitment to praying it and a deeper appreciation of its power. As part of our outreach, the "Rosary Statue" was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October 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.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Michael Murphy
Pat Cusack
Kathleen Lally
Robert Donovan

Anniversaries

Catherine Punch (1A)
Martin Punch
John Donnelly (1A)
Kevin Donnelly (11A)
Anita Corcoran (16A)
John, Paula & Aaron Thornton
Mary, Paddy, Dominic
& John Fleming
Pauline Gallagher
Madge Taaffe
Teresa Taylor
Jim Long

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon Kathleen & Patrick O'Reilly (A)
Dcsd Members of O'Reilly & Lee Families
Tues Dick Slattery (A)
Wed Edward O'Kane (3A)
Thur Shane Behan (2A)
Fri Tom Mongan (BR) & Seamus Mongan (R)
Sat Mary & Bernadette Leggett (A)

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it

Please phone

Kay - 086 2209297

Sunday 18th June

to Saturday 24th June

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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:30am - 1:00pm

Registered Charity Number

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