

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

17th Sunday Ordinary Time
24th July 2022 Year C

When we pray...

We know from experience that the relationship of any two people is nourished by the quality of the time which they spend with one another, their capacity to be really present to one another. When we neglect to nurture relationships, we gradually lose the capacity to intuit what is going on for the other person. Over an extended period of time, people can drift apart. Perhaps we should not be surprised that it is no different in our relationship with God. We may say that we are believers, but in our daily life do we seek to come closer to God or to keep God at arm's length?

Prayer is the one thing that can help us grow in our understanding of who God is and to deepen our awareness of God's presence in our lives. When we pray, God becomes real. Sometimes we can protest that our life is so full that we don't have time to pray, or that we don't know how. However, if we are honest, we know that we always make time for what is important to us. When asked how she found time to pray when she led such an active life looking after the sick and dying, (St.) Mother Teresa replied: *'I am too busy not to pray.'* Indeed, as St. Luke reminds us in his Gospel, despite a very active ministry, Jesus continually found time to pray to the Father. He knew he needed to. As another spiritual writer puts it: *'The only way to pray...is to pray, and the only way to pray well is to pray often!'* There is no right or wrong way to pray. The important thing is that we make ourselves available to God on a regular, preferably daily, basis. We can leave the rest to God, who wants to communicate his love to us. Finally, there is no better way to express our love or concern for someone else than to pray for them. How about making a new start....today?

Fr. Richard

WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS AND
THE ELDERLY
SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022



THEME: 'IN OLD AGE THEY WILL STILL BEAR FRUIT (PS 92:15)

Prayer for the Second World Day for
Grandparents and the Elderly

I give thanks to you, Lord,
For the blessing of a long life
For, to those who take refuge in You,
Grant always to bear fruit.

Forgive, O Lord,
Resignation and disillusionment,
But forsake me not
When my strength declines.

Teach me to look with hope
To the future you give me,
To the mission you entrust to me
And to sing your praises without end.

Make me a tender craftsman
Of Your revolution,
To guard with love my grandchildren
And all the little ones who seek shelter in You.

Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis
And grant Thy Church
To deliver the world from loneliness.
Direct our steps in the way of peace.

Amen.

FAITH 'N' FUN

Bible Stories, Crafts & lots more fun things to do!

FREE - to all aged 6 - 11 years

In St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre
Brackenstown Road, Swords



Thursdays
28th July
4th August
11th August

Organised by Legion of Mary
Registration Forms available in
Main Porch of St. Cronan's Church



BAPTISMS

From October 2022
Baptisms will be on
2nd and 4th
Saturday and Sunday
of each month at 12 noon
Up to three babies will be
baptised at each ceremony

SUNDAYMASSES: (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

If you are interested in receiving the
Parish Newsletter weekly by email,
Please email the Parish Office



ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

WEEKLY SUMMER SCHEDULE

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am - 6:00pm
 Wednesday 9:30am - 9:00pm
 Friday 9:30am - 6:00pm
 Saturday 9:30am - 7:00pm
 Sunday 8:30am - 6:00pm

ADORATION

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
 After 10am MASS - 11:30am
 Wednesday 6:00pm - 9:00pm
 Friday 3:00pm - 6:00pm

ADORATION TEAM TO EXPOSE THE BLESSED
 SACRAMENT AND LOCK UP CHURCH

CONFESSION

Saturdays After 10am MASS - 11:30am

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
 Sunday 9:00am; 11:00am & 5:00pm

PATHWAYS EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY An Adult Faith Development Programme



Applications are now open for the next intake of participants for the Pathways Programme. The programme, run by the Dublin Archdiocese, begins this year on Thursday 29th. September 2022 (7.00p.m. - 9.30 p.m.) in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumcondra Rd, Dublin, 9. Places are limited so early application is advisable. 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, with breaks for Christmas, Easter and mid-terms. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. The cost is €400 per year which may be paid in instalments throughout the year. The Parish will cover half of the cost of the complete course. For more information please visit our webpage: www.missionministry.ie or contact: **Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD.**
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SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Tony Gallagher (MM)
 Marie Gray
 Sean Gaffney
 Ann Murray

Anniversaries

Bernie O'Leary
 Anne Browne
 Christy Martin
 Geraldine McNamara (8A)
 Pat Leyden (10A)
 John Hallissey (35A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon Tom & Alice Kane (A)
 Tues Mary, Paddy, John & Dominic Fleming (A)
 Wed Martina Harley (A)
 Thur Noel Scully (RD)
 Fri Richard & Seamus Colgan (A)
 Sat Michael & Mary Hughes (A)

Shine - Carer's Support Group

Support group for Carers of people affected by Mental Health

The Blackrock/South Dublin carer's support group of Shine meets on the first Monday of each month @ 8pm (except for public holidays when it's the second Monday). Founded in 1976 this carers group led to the formation of what is now SHINE. Our meetings are for all carer's dealing with a loved one experiencing Mental Illness and are an opportunity to discuss -share problems - support each other privately & in confidence. We maintain close links with the Mental Health Services to keep ourselves informed. We are open to all & like you are carer's - We should talk. The Centre for Living, Rosehill, Carysfort Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. A94 X934

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The Building Hope Prayer

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.
 You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts. We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family. Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation. May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us. May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace. May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service. We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord.
 Amen.

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023

Groups and Individuals are now invited to register their interest in either attending World Youth Day Lisbon.

World Youth Day will take place August 1 to 6 in Lisbon 2023. The registration system will open in September. There is an option for teenagers aged 16-18 to participate as well as those aged 18-29.

The Archdiocese of Dublin has a great tradition in participation at World Youth Day and it is a great opportunity for the many young people in our parishes that will participate. A full pastoral programme for pilgrims will also commence later in the year, with opportunities for leadership roles.

Get in touch and keep in touch

We would like to hear from anyone in the parish wishing to travel to Lisbon before September. Please speak with Fr. Richard or contact the Parish Office.

GET READY FOR... *Mary arose and went with haste* LUCAS 24:10
WORLD YOUTH DAY
 LISBON, PORTUGAL
 AUGUST 2023

- Parishes, groups and individuals can register their interest in WYD Lisbon by emailing wyd@dublindiocese.ie
- From September 2022, packages, costs and details will be available online at www.missionministry.ie
- Non-refundable deposits of €100 will also be accepted from September

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Bethany Bereavement Support Group

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

Please phone Brid - 086 6006397
 week Sunday 24th July to Saturday 30th

Please phone after 6pm.

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

ROSARY STATUE

Everybody wants peace..... Peace in our hearts, in our homes, peace in the world. Prayer brings peace. You might like to have the "Rosary Statue" in your home for a week and pray the rosary... Of you would like this, arrangements will be made to suit your circumstances. Please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch, after Saturday evening Mass or Sunday Morning Masses or through the Parish Office.

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown

