

ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH

PARTNERSHIP OF BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY & DONABATE PARISHES

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

6TH APRIL 2025

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The Pastoral Councils of our partnership parishes (Swords, River Valley, Donabate and Brackenstown) have been meeting to discern how we can implement the three year Building Hope Strategic Planning Resource, so that we can work more closely together and share resources. During the Easter season, we will be sharing with parishioners the fruits of our dialogue and suggesting pastoral priorities for the next three years. Nothing happens without the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Fr Richard

Brackenstown Parish – St. Cronan's Church

St Cronan's is part of the partnership of Parishes of Swords, River Valley, Donabate & Brackenstown

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TIMETABLE 2025

Palm Sunday 13th April:

Vigil Mass: 6:00pm Sunday Mass: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm
Blessing of palms outside the church before each Mass

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 14th to 16th April

Mass 10:00am

Monday 14th April

A Christian presentation of the Seder Meal 7.30pm

Tuesday 15th April

Reconciliation Service for the Swords Partnership of Parishes (location Brackenstown) 7.30pm

Wednesday 16th April

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.00-9.00pm

Holy Thursday 17th April

Morning Prayer: 10:00am
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30pm
Watch and Pray: 8.45pm – 9.30pm

Good Friday 18th April

Morning Prayer: 10:00am
Children's Stations of the Cross: 12 noon
Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3.00pm
Outdoor Way of the Cross 5.00pm. (The stations will take place at various locations around the parish)
Taizé Prayer around the Cross: 7.30pm

Holy Saturday 19th April

Morning Prayer: 10:00am
Easter Vigil: 9:00pm

Easter Sunday 20th April

Easter Mass 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

Easter Monday 21st April - Saturday 6th April:

Mass at 10:00am

Second Sunday of Easter 27th April:

Vigil 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm
Divine Mercy Devotion 3:00pm concluding with Mass at 5:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession):

Monday 14th – Wed 16th April: following 10:00am Mass
Good Friday 18th April: 10:30am-11.30am, 4:00pm-5:00pm
Holy Saturday 19th April: 10:30am to 11:30am.

All our liturgies are also available online at www.brackenstown-parish.com

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.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.

St Kevin, pray for us.

St Brigid, pray for us.

Building Hope

A Preparation Mass for First Communion will take place at
6.00pm on Saturday 5th April
and at 5.00pm on Sunday 6th April

A reflective reading of one of the Sunday readings will take place each Monday during Lent from 7.00pm-7.30pm in the Church
All are welcome

LIVING LENT



Prayer & Reflection on the Sunday Readings for Lent
Join us on Monday's

**7th April
14th April**

7:00pm to 7:45pm

**ST CRONAN'S CHURCH
BRACKENSTOWN PARISH**

A Baptism preparation Meeting for parents of children who will be baptised at Easter and Sunday 27th April will take place immediately following the 11.00am Mass this Sunday 6th April in the parish centre.

This Sunday at the 11.00am Mass, one of our parishioners, Yu Xin Wang, who will be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil through the sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), will participate in a third preliminary step, called a scrutiny. We are invited to keep her in our prayers as she prepares to become a member of our church.

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

<p>A meeting of the Care for Creation Committee will take place on Tuesday 8th April at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre</p> <p>Our monthly Family Mass will take place next Saturday 12th April at 6.00pm</p> <p>St. Cronan's Parish is offering The Bible and the Church Fathers over 12 weeks in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre each Monday from 7.30 to 8.30pm.</p> <p>On Monday 14th April, we will have a Seder Meal which gives us an insight into the Jewish celebration of Passover, which provides the context for the celebration of the Last Supper, which Jesus shared with his disciples. The meal will take place at 7.30pm in St. Joseph's. Owing to the limits of space and resources, we are obliged to limit the numbers participating to 20. Tickets are available on a first come first served basis. Booking is through the parish office.</p> <p>On Good Friday, 18th April, we will have Children's Stations of the Cross at 12noon. We invite children to take part in re-enacting Jesus' way of the cross. It is essential for children participating to attend the <u>two</u> rehearsals from 3.30-4.30pm on Wed 9th and 16th April and to be at the church for 11.30am on Good Friday. Children participating need to be accompanied by at least one parent.</p> <p>The parish Easter card, timetable of Holy Week ceremonies and Easter Offering envelope are available for collection on the tables around the church. Please feel free to take one. We would also be grateful if you would take one or two extra and deliver them to any neighbours who might not be able to attend the church but would appreciate having the relevant information.</p> <p>Filled Trocaire Lenten boxes can be left into the sacristy after Masses</p> <p>The annual diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 26th April (Easter Saturday). We are planning once again to organise a bus for Knock for the parishes in our partnership. Our parish office is now taking bookings!!</p> <p>Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 16th April at 7.30pm in the Horse and Jockey Hotel, Thurles. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. Call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie</p>	<p>SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS</p> <p>Recently Deceased Francis Mooney Nancy Heenan Marie Butler</p> <p>Month's Mind Angela Galvin</p> <p>Anniversaries Nora Lowndes (1A) Mary Maples (6A) Nuala Ryan nee Hughes (9A) Vincent (50A), Charlotte & Fintan Delamere Catherine McNally James Long (BR)</p> <p>10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK</p> <table><tr><td>Mon</td><td>Catherine McNally (A) Simon Wreckler (RD)</td></tr><tr><td>Tues</td><td>Birthday Intention</td></tr><tr><td>Wed</td><td>Vincent (50A), Charlotte & Fintan Delamere (A)</td></tr><tr><td>Thur</td><td>Birthday Intention</td></tr><tr><td>Fri</td><td>James Keely (3A)</td></tr><tr><td>Sat</td><td>Special Intention</td></tr></table> <p>Grief Support Group weekly meetings every Wednesday 7pm to 8pm. We hope to offer a listening ear to anyone who is dealing with or living with grief. Contact email: haveasipswords@gmail.com</p> <p>Traveller Outreach Addiction Service: This is a free and confidential drug and alcohol treatment service providing addiction support to the Traveller Community and their families in North Dublin. Opening hours: 9.00am-5.00pm. To speak to a member of the team, contact: 01/6991077. For more information contact: travellersupport@coolminetc.ie.</p> <p>Bethany Bereavement Support Group offer a free and confidential telephone support to any bereaved parishioners who wish to avail of it Please phone Terri on 8403243, or Brid on 086 6006397 <i>"I ask you Lord to be kind to them now, who were always kind to me here"</i></p> <p>CO PARISH PRIEST Fr. Richard Sheehy 087 2412459 richarddesheehy@gmail.com</p> <p>PARISH CHAPLAIN Fr. Joseph Hao P.C. 01 8401188 brackenstownparish@gmail.com</p> <p>PERMANENT DEACON Declan Colgan 01 8401188 brackenstownparish@gmail.com</p> <p>PARISH SECRETARY Louise Donnelly Mon to Fri. 9:30am – 1:00pm 01 8401188 brackenstownparish@gmail.com</p> <p>PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday 9:30am – 1:00pm</p> <p>Registered Charity Number 20016166</p>	Mon	Catherine McNally (A) Simon Wreckler (RD)	Tues	Birthday Intention	Wed	Vincent (50A), Charlotte & Fintan Delamere (A)	Thur	Birthday Intention	Fri	James Keely (3A)	Sat	Special Intention
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<div><div><p>Taize Prayer Around the Cross</p><p>On Thursday 10th April</p><p>Join us as we celebrate Taizé Prayer Around the Cross</p><p>in St. Cronan's Church at 7:30pm to 8:30pm The students from Colaiste Choilm and Loreto will be assisting us Please note the change to Thursday evenings www.brackenstown-parish.com</p></div><div><p>Swords Memory Cafe for people living with dementia, their carers, family members and those interested in fostering a dementia inclusive community in Swords – hold a free Cafe on the third Thursday of each month in Fingallian's GAA club between 10.30am and 12.30pm.</p><p>Prayer Resources for the Jubilee Year can be found at https://dublindiocese.ie/jubilee2025/ The January edition of <i>Mission & Ministry Matters</i> is available by clicking here</p></div></div>													
<p>Jubilee of Youth Pilgrimage: We are delighted to announce our plans to have a group representing the Diocese at the Jubilee of Youth gathering in Rome during the summer. If you can't make it, there's also an option for a 'Rome @ Home'! Fill in your details to express interest in being part of the group or mark your option for 'Rome @ Home'. Email: natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie Register Interest: https://forms.office.com/e/9fGvLqil7t</p>													
<p>6 week Beginner's Yoga Class starting on Monday 27th January from 9:30am—10:45am And starting on Wednesday 29th January from 7pm—8:15pm 6 week Chair Yoga Class starting on Monday 27th January from 11:15am—12:15pm in St Cronan's Parish Centre (beside Church). 6 Week Course €75 or pay per class €14 Contact Caroline for more information on 087 6913028. All walk-ins welcome.</p>													
<p>Patrician Meeting - The Christian meaning of human suffering There will be insights on suffering as a gateway to hope and glory from the Book of Job, Sts Paul, Thérèse and John Paul II and how you can accompany those who suffer. All are most welcome. Thursday 10th April at 7:30pm in Brackenstown Parish Pastoral Centre. Refreshments will be offered during interval. Religious Goods- Suitable for the home. Confirmation and Communion gifts/items, Statues, ornaments, children's colouring books, bibles and lots more available at Repository on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings.</p>	<div><p>Legion of Mary</p></div>												