

## Parish Newsletter

15th October 2017 ✠ 28th Sunday ✠ Year A



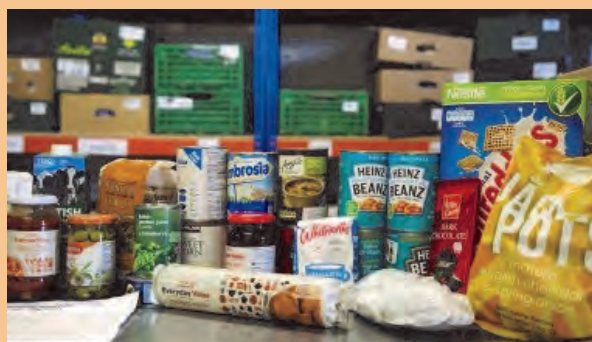
On the weekend 21/22 October we have our Harvest Thanksgiving in the Parish and we invite you to bring some non-perishable foods and place them around the Altar. These will also be passed on to the local Crosscare Foodbank. (In Advent the Archbishop will have a Diocesan wide food drive but we do it NOW in order that the long established food drive by the Lions Club for the St. Vincent de Paul is not affected.)

On Tuesday 24th October, the children in St. Cronan's Junior School will have their Harvest Thanksgiving where they will bring an item of non-perishable food to be used in the local Crosscare Foodbank. Their response to this is always amazing.

### WHAT IS A COMMUNITY FOOD BANK?

A Community Food Bank (CFB) collects and stores food for distribution to individuals and/or families affected by food poverty within a local community. The aim is to provide quality, nutritional food to those identified as "in need".

Although the primary aim is to provide food, information on rights and entitlements are shared with service users when appropriate in particular, when it is felt it could address the underlying social causes of hunger.



### FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST

- Milk (UHT or powdered)
- Sugar (500g)
- Fruit juice (carton)
- Soup
- Pasta sauces
- Sponge pudding (tinned)
- Tomatoes (tinned)
- Cereals
- Rice pudding (tinned)
- Tea Bags/instant coffee
- Rice/pasta
- Tinned meat/fish
- Tinned fruit
- Jam
- Biscuits or snack bars

### FOOD BANK MISSION

To work in partnership with local agencies to assist those affected by food poverty and food deprivation within a defined area. Our goal is to always provide an excellent service for those in need while maintaining each individual's dignity and respect.

### LOCATIONS

We currently have 5 food banks located in;  
Dublin City, North County Dublin, South County Dublin, West Dublin and Bray, Co. Wicklow.

We are looking for volunteers for each of these facilities and individuals and/or groups to help run food drives in all areas. If interested please go to the website:

[www.crosscarefoodbank.ie](http://www.crosscarefoodbank.ie).



# Please take this Newsletter home



### The next Parent Meeting

**Thursday 2nd Nov**

Next dates for Baptisms:

Sat 11th November 12:30pm

Sun 26th November 1:45pm

Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2017/2018

**OCTOBER**

16th Parent's Meeting ETNS

17th Parent's Meeting St. Cronan's

Mr Gallagher, Ms Ryan & Ms Doyle

18th Parent's Meeting St. Cronan's

Ms McGowan, Ms Duffy & Mr Brown



### DO THIS IN MEMORY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2017/2018

**OCTOBER**

14th Enrolment Mass 6:30pm GSBB

15th Enrolment Mass 12:30pm St. Cronan's

22nd Enrolment Mass 12:30pm ETNS

### Brackenstown Parish Pilgrimage to Poland 1-7 July 2018

Based in Krakow to include Wadowice, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mines and the Shrine of Sr. Faustina

Price: €835.00 per person sharing

This tour includes: Accommodation: Atrium Hotel 3\* [www.hotelatrium.pl](http://www.hotelatrium.pl)

Centrally located in the Old Town and just a short walk from the Market Square, the Atrium has

114 en-suite rooms (with shower), hairdryer, satellite TV and telephone phone. The hotel has a bar and restaurant serving local cuisine.

This tour includes: Return direct flight Dublin Krakow; Return airport transfers; 6 nights accommodation sharing twin room bed & breakfast;

4 dinners; Guided programme and coaching as per itinerary

Entrance fees where applicable. Services of English speaking guide for transfers and excursions

Extras: Insurance: €36.00 per person 69 years plus rates on request Checked in bag: Euro 70.00 approx. – 15 kg

Single room supplement: €35.00 per night (limited availability)

Further details from the Parish Office



### World Mission Sunday - 22nd October 2017

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. The Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection. Every person in every parish in every country where the Church is present will

be celebrating together and sharing what they have, no matter how little. It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world, ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can. Thank You.



### Say a family prayer for your deceased loved ones in your own home - Seven easy steps

1. Invite your family members to come together to fill in the November Altar list for your deceased loved ones. The ones you remember may be your own family members, or friends of your family, or others you know who may have no one to pray for them.
2. Invite your family members if they wish to bring a photo or some symbol of a person they want to include in the list.
3. Gather round the kitchen table with the list and the photos or symbols. You may also wish to include a religious symbol such as a cross or sacred picture or small statue.
4. Invite one person to read this opening prayer: *Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. We pray in hope for our family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. Lord hear us...*
5. Now pass around the November altar list to each person at the table. Invite them to call out the name of the person they want to remember as they write it on the list. Invite them to say a few words about the person if they wish.
6. Now somebody reads the following prayer. *Lord as we remember our loved ones who have left this life, we pray too for our own family and friends still living. Help us to show love and kindness to one another all the days of our lives. Help us also to seek and to offer pardon whenever we hurt one another. Lord hear us. Now we pray together - Our Father...*
7. After this home prayer you may wish to create a small place of remembrance for your loved ones who have died for the month of November, using the photos and symbols.

### MASS INTENTIONS

### PRAY FOR

### 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

6:30pm: Eileen, Stephen & Stephen Jnr Sheridan (A)

Éamonn Ó Murchú (A)

Mon: Kay & Bill O'Connor (A)

9:00am: Altar List of the Dead

Noel Crosbie (RD)

Tues: Thanksgiving Mass

11:00am: Frances & Margaret McLoughlin (A)

Elizabeth Fitzsimons (RD)

Wed: Margaret & John Pepper (A)

12:30pm: Patrick, Kathleen & Pat Jnr O'Donoghue(A)

Sr. Margaret Hiliard (RD)

Thurs: Margaret Kenny (A)

5:30pm: Patrick & Kathleen Boylan (A)

Fri: Thanksgiving Mass

Sat: Elizabeth Fitzsimons (RD)

# Hospitality in the Pastoral Centre

We welcome you to join us after the Sunday morning Masses **THIS WEEKEND** (Sunday 15th October) for a cup of tea/coffee

We hope you will be able to join us.



## NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD DELIVERY TEAM

The November Altar List of the Dead envelopes are ready to be distributed around the Parish. When you receive and complete If you are part of our Delivery Team please collect your envelopes from the Parish Pastoral Centre as soon as possible. Don't forget to tick your name off the list.



Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of October from 19:30 to 21:00 in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.



## BINGO

Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm  
Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome!

The Brackenstown Forget Me Not Café has been chosen by Tesco as one of the charities worthy of support. As you may be aware it is run by the Management Team on a voluntary basis in Brackenstown Parish Centre on the second Tuesday of every month. It offers support to individuals and family and carers dealing with dementia. Please could you support this cause by placing your blue token into the "Brackenstown Alzheimer's Café" collection point in Tesco at Airside.



**LIVING WITH LOSS** An information evening for the public about bereavement with guest speaker Laura Kennedy (Columnist with The Irish Times, & author of the personal reflection column 'Leavetaking')

November is traditionally a month for remembrance. This Irish Hospice Foundation event aims to provide information about grief and the range of supports available to bereaved people.

Members of the public are invited to attend this free public event:

**Thursday, 2nd November 2017, 5.30pm - 8.00pm**

**Alexander Hotel, 41-47 Fenian Street (off Merrion Square) Dublin.**

**PRAYER MEETING**  
Spend One Hour... **Tuesday next, 10th October 8pm - 9pm**, Sisters' Oratory, **29 Brackenstown Village**. This Prayer Meeting honours Servant of God, Frank Duff, founder of Legion of Mary. Everybody most welcome.

## FATIMA

Fatima statues and shrines are amongst the items available at the table in main porch each weekend. Why not take a look?!

## THE ROSARY

Praying for a special intention? Praying for Peace? The 'Rosary Statue' was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary again and have the rosary statue in your home for a week, or get more information, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Mon: 10.30 am – 11.30 am**  
**Wed: 6.00 pm – 11.00 pm**  
**Fri: 10.30 am – 5.45pm**  
**Sat: 10.30am – 11.30am**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the last Sunday of every month from 4pm—5pm. Can you stay one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

## FAMILY OFFERING

We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

**August Standing Order €3,517**  
**Outdoor Collection €759.54**  
**Annuals/Half Yearly €500.00**

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES "CHILDREN'S FAMILY ALBUM"



Children are invited to create what family means to them. Artists can use any type of paper and their work may be drawn or painted using any materials. The size of artwork should not be smaller than A4 or larger than A2. All pieces should be submitted in flat format only, not rolled, folded or framed. The artist should put their name and age on the reverse side of their work.

Please bring your artwork to the Church between now and the end of October. There will be a prize for each category and all entries will be photographed for the album displayed at World Meeting of Families 2018.

## Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this Sunday and next Sunday:

**28th Sunday Ordinary Time:** First Reading Isaiah (Is) 25:6-10; 2nd Reading Philipians (Phil) 4:12-14, 19-20; Gospel Matthew (Mt) 22:1-14



**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** First Reading Isaiah (Is) 45:1,4-6; 2nd Reading 1st Letter to Thessalonians (1Thes) 1:1-5; Gospel Matthew (Mt) 22:15-21

## PARISH INFORMATION

**Mass Times:**

Sunday: 6:30pm (Sat. Vigil); 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm

**Weekday Mass:**

Monday to Saturday 10:00am

**Holiday Mass:**

Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am

**Confession:**

Saturday 10:30am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm

**Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,  
Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker  
Louise Donnelly, Secretary**

After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday

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01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com

Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm

View our new Parish Webcam via the Parish Website



## CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

**14/15 Oct**  
No Collection

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**21/22 Oct**  
Mission Sunday  
(replaces SHARE)



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 Please do not hesitate to call us should you need our advice or expertise.  
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 Join Fr. Jim Noonan ODC & Fodhla McGrane on the 13th October at the Emmaus Centre, Swords. The weekend will bring your peace and comfort through music, praying The Divine Office, daily mass and the sacrament of reconciliation.

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