THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST **2ND JUNE 2024** 



Today's feast follows last Sunday's feast of the Trinity. If the Trinity celebrates the dynamic relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, which is at the heart of the mystery of God, today's feast focuses on our relationship with God in Christ and by extension our relationship with one another. Through the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost, the Church is called to be the risen Body of Christ present in the world today. The risen life of Christ is mediated through the Church's sacramental life,

especially the sacrament of the Eucharist, described in the documents of Vatican Two as 'the source and summit of the Christian life'. Through participation in the Sunday Eucharist, we become what we receive: the Body of Christ. Not only does our participation in the Eucharist unite us with the mind and heart of Christ, it invites us to a relationship of commitment to our fellow human beings, particularly those who are vulnerable, suffering, or who experience being marginalised in whatever way. 'In so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers or sisters of mine, you did it to me' (Matt. 25:40). Wherever we encounter the Body of Christ, may our response be: 'Amen'.

Fr. Richard

At this time, we pray for all those who are beginning their Leaving and Junior Certificate exams this coming Wednesday. May the Triune God grant them gifts of wisdom, calm and perspective!

The Hospitality Committee will host tea/coffee in the parish centre after 11.00am Mass next Sunday 9th June 🌛 Everybody welcome!

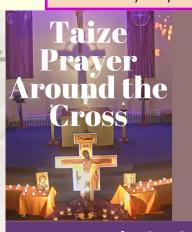




Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.

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.



**This Friday** 7th June join us as we celebrate Taizé Prayer **Around the Cross** 

in St. Cronan's Church at 7:30pm ALL WELCOME

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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

# Mass with Anointing of the Sick

will take place at 5.00pm on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June Any parishioners who are housebound and who would like to attend the Mass in person are invited to contact the parish office, and we will endeavour to arrange transport.

We pray for Fr. Des Doyle, who has been appointed Co-Parish Priest for Malahide and Kinsealy, and for Fr. John Collins, who is joining the team at Balbriggan and the Naul as Team Assistant. We wish them both well in their new appointments and look forward to welcoming Fr. John Daly as PP of both Swords & Drynam and River Valley parishes.

A half day of Recollection for Ministers of the Word and of the Eucharist in the parishes of Swords, River Valley, Donabate and Brackenstown is planned for Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. It will take place in our parish centre from 10am-1.00pm and will be led by Peter Siney from the Office of Mission and Ministry. There has been a great response to this, and it is now fully booked out.

Our parish partnership is planning a Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September. The cost of the pilgrimage for four nights and five days (inclusive of flights, accommodation and full board) is €735 per person sharing. A limited number of single rooms are available, and the single supplement is €40 per night. Booking forms are available at the parish office. As the pilgrimage is nearly half full at this stage, we are putting a provisional deadline for bookings or expressions of interest of Friday 31st May.

We ask those who have received a CHY Tax Reclaim form recently to return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Many thanks to all who have already returned their completed forms. The CHY Tax allows the Parish Rebate scheme reclaim tax all qualifying recorded contributions of €250 and over. If you are not a PAYE or Self-Assessed donor, unfortunately we cannot claim tax back on your donations but please let us know in order to avoid receiving future CHY documentation. Sincere thanks to all those who support the running of the Parish through your financial offerings. From the Parish Finance Committee

The diocesan office of Mission and Ministry is organising a Young Adult trip to the Camino June 2024. Completing the last 110km of the Camino from Sarria to Santiago. Places are limited. If you wish to book, please fill out the form in the link: https://forms.office.com/e/1GBviSd72R/. more information, contact Natalie at natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie.

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.



## Calling all children aged 6-11 years to Faith 'n' Fun

Legion of Mary This year participants will get to know Blessed Carlo Acutis, a computer savvy Italian teenager who championed the Eucharist. The project will take place 25<sup>th</sup> July, 1<sup>st</sup> Aug & 8<sup>th</sup>

August. We are ready to take bookings over the next 4 weeks. Deadline for registration 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024. It is free. Brochure and information leaflets are available in the Church Porch after Mass.

### Religious Goods & Literature - Suitable gifts for families

Children's books, The Order of Mass Congregational Cards, Candles, Statues, Bibles etc. all available in main porch after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses. Having them in the home sanctifies the circumstances of family life.

## **SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Anniversaries**

James Sammon (44A) Brian Foster (A) Joe O'Loughlin (25A) Barney McNally (A) Annie McManus (BR) Tommy Crosbie (BR & A)

### **10 AM MASSES THIS WEEK**

Mon	Special Intention
Tues	Special Intention
Wed	Special Intention
Thur	Eileen Prow (A)
	Marian Movement for Priests
	Special Intention
Fri	Andrew McKay (2A)
Sat	Special Intention

# **Bethany Bereavement** Support Group

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

"Blessed are those who mourn. for they shall be comforted"

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> **PARISH OFFICE HOURS** Monday - Friday 9:30am - 1:00pm

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