

## Parish Newsletter



WISHING ALL OUR  
PARISHIONERS

### BLESSED & HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Mass times:

7:30pm Vigil Tuesday 16th  
10:00am St. Patrick's Day

## Easter Card Delivery

Our Easter Cards are now ready for delivery. If you can help distribute them in your area, please call into the Parish Office, Tuesday to Friday 10:45am to 12:00noon. As we continue to walk together in these strange times we hope that our card will bring joy to those who receive them.

## Holy Week Pack

To help you pray through the ceremonies of Holy Week and Easter we will be providing a pack which will contain:

- ◆ Holy Week ceremony booklet
- ◆ Booklet of Morning Prayer
- ◆ Palm Cross for Palm Sunday and Good Friday
- ◆ Stations of the Cross for Good Friday
- ◆ Holy Week at Home daily thoughts
- ◆ St. Joseph Prayer Cards
- ◆ There will also be packs for children.

The packs contain 1 of each item. They will be available on Monday 22nd March.

If you need the pack delivered to your home please contact the Parish Office 01 8401188.

trócaire

UNTIL  
**LOVE**  
CONQUERS  
**FEAR**

There are still Trócaire Boxes available in the Church. If you haven't picked one up yet, it's not too late. After Easter you will be able to drop your boxes back to the Church and we will forward the proceeds for you. This year, more than ever they need your support. Every cent makes a difference!



## PRAYER & REFLECTION

Join us on Wednesday March 17th  
at 7.30pm

when Niamh Morris

will lead us in an hour of prayer and reflection with  
the focus will on Celtic Spirituality

HAPPY 50TH  
BIRTHDAY  
FR. PAUL

WISHING YOU EVERY BLESSING  
AS YOU CELEBRATE YOUR  
50TH BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK



## Novena of St Joseph 10th to 19th March

The Novena to St Joseph is being prayed at the 10am Mass and before the Rosary and Night Prayer each evening Monday—Friday at 8pm.

The Novena Prayer is at the back of the Church and also we have a bookmark with the Litany of St. Joseph and a prayer card with the prayer that Pope Francis has prayed every day for the last 40 years to St. Joseph. So we encourage you to use these in your prayer during this year of St. Joseph.

### COVID19 RESTRICTIONS

All Masses are online only: Mon to Sat 10:00am; Sunday 6:30pm(Sat. vigil) 9am and 11am

Rosary and Night Prayer online 8:30pm Mon to Fri (from 4th January) Taizé Prayer Friday 7:30pm (from 11th Jan)

Confessions Saturdays 10:45am to 11:30 in Pastoral Centre. Church closes at 6:00pm.

# The Sacrament of Confession

is available on Saturday mornings from 10:45am to 12:00noon. One of the things that we have to avoid during the restrictions is crowds gathering while waiting on Sacraments.

We want to be able to continue to provide Confession so we need your help, understanding and co-operation. The Confession time will be 5 fifteen minute slots. In each fifteen minutes there will be room for five people for Confession.

A sheet inside the Main door is where you can reserve a place in the fifteen minute slots by putting your initials. You can only be in the Church during the 15 min slot as you wait on the bench nearest the Pastoral Centre. Please do not wait around the Church and only come in at the beginning of the 15 minute slot you reserve. There will be a steward in the Church to guide people.

**10:45 - 11:00am (five people); 11:00 - 11:15am (five people); 11:15 - 11:30am (five people); 11:30 - 11:45am (five people) & 11:45- 12:00noon (five people)**

## CHY TAX REBATE

We ask those who have recently received a CHY Tax Reclaim form to return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible. The CHY Tax Rebate scheme allows the Parish reclaim tax for 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.

*Parish Finance Committee*



TO ALL OUR MOTHER'S

# HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Thank you for all that you do!



Please support the Irish Cancer Society's Daffodil Day in Swords by donating using the following link.

The event is mainly online this year.

[www.justgiving.com/daffodil-day-swords](http://www.justgiving.com/daffodil-day-swords)

From Monday 15th March we plan to have cash donation stations operable in the Post Offices in Swords and Boromimhe, and in the Pavilions SC.




Catholic Papers & Magazines are available in the new bookrack at the back of the Church. Candles of Hope, with Pope Francis' Prayer for Protection from the Coronavirus are available by emailing: [brackenstownparish@gmail.com](mailto:brackenstownparish@gmail.com)

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords



Many thanks to all parishioners and non-parishioners who continue to support the parish over the last year. The total contributions for January and February of this year are as follows:

### JANUARY 2021

Family Offering: €1917.09  
 Family Offering Standing Orders: €3862.00  
 First Collection: €2324.99  
 Second Collection: €1420.03

### FEBRUARY 2021

Family Offering: €2886.28  
 First Collection: €2624.37  
 Second Collection: €1577.62

**ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE OFFERED FOR INTENTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN BOOKED**

Patricia Cooney (A)  
 Dcsd Members Kelleghan & Wall Families  
 Jim Keith & Mai Logan (A)  
 Harry & Joan Mills (A)  
 Mairéad McCorry (1A)  
 Altar List of the Dead

### PRAY FOR

Lena Lowndes (MM)  
 Tony O'Neill (RD)  
 Harry Donnelly (1A)  
 Michael Rothwell (Bday Rem)  
 Anne Waters (Bday Rem)  
 Mary & Andrew Byrne (A)  
 Ray Fitzgerald (A)  
 Fr. Eoin Cassidy (RD)  
 Fr. David Boylan (20A)

### 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

**Mon:** Jacqueline Moran (RD)  
**Tues:** 10am: Dawn Shorthall (RD)  
 7:30pm: Hugh Patrick O'Reilly (1A)  
**Wed:** 9am: Frank Hopkins (A)  
 10am: Jack O'Brien (RD) Pray for: Thomas McArdle  
**Thur:** Eileen Clancy (A)  
**Fri:** Jimmy Kirwan (3A)  
**Sat:** Flora Moran (MM)

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**Louise Donnelly, Secretary** Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm

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