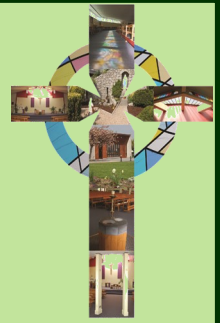


Parish Newsletter



Diocesan Safeguarding Day, 2019 Letter from Archbishop Martin

Sunday 22 September is Diocesan Safeguarding Day. I wish to take this opportunity to address you on this vital matter and to thank you for all of the work you have been doing to make the Church in Dublin a safer place for children and for vulnerable adults.

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the publication of the Murphy report and we are reminded of that dark and pain-filled chapter in our history. For many of those who were abused as children in the Church and for many of their loved ones that pain is a constant reality, one which will endure for the rest of their lives. We cannot undo the past. We can, however, honour the courage of those who have spoken of their experiences of abuse by doing all in our power to ensure a better and safer Church for the children of today and of tomorrow. As Pope Francis has instructed us in his recent Apostolic Letter, *Vos Estis Lux Mundi* we have an equal responsibility for the welfare and protection of vulnerable adults.

I wish to acknowledge with gratitude all the work that has been done in our parishes to make the Church a safer place for children and vulnerable adults. Our parish clergy, already under pressure due to declining numbers, have had to accept additional responsibilities in this area, such as ensuring that those involved in

public ministry are vetted. I wish to thank them all for this. I wish to thank also the hundreds of parish safeguarding representatives and the thousands who have attended safeguarding training. I wish to thank all of our parishioners who have kept faith with us through this difficult time. I do not underestimate the dilemma of parents who want their children to grow strong in the faith but hesitate about allowing their children to become involved in parish activities. I say to you: your children are dear to us, as they are to you, and we will do all in our power to ensure their safety and protection from abuse.

Since the publication of the Murphy Report there has been a decline in the number of child abuse allegations coming to the attention of the diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Service. However, a decline does not mean that such allegations have ceased, only that there are fewer of them. There are no grounds for complacency. It is important that we remain committed to this vital work.

I ask you also to remember those who were abused and to pray for them.

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+ Diarmuid Martin
Archbishop of Dublin

**ASSEMBLY OF BRACKENSTOWN PARISH
- ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH**



AIM:
TO GATHER TOGETHER AS PARISHIONERS OF ST. CRONAN'S PARISH, BRACKENSTOWN
TO ACKNOWLEDGE, LISTEN, SHARE AND DISCOVER NEW WAYS OF ENCOURAGING A
VIBRANT CARING AND WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.

**YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US!
YOUR OPINION MATTERS!**

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2019
St. Cronan's School Hall
12.00 – 18.30

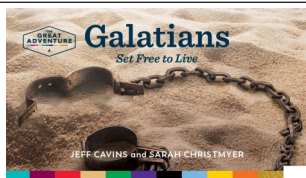
RSVP: On or Before Sunday 13th October 2019 to the Parish Office
Louise PH: 01-8401188
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**If you can help distributing the leaflets
to all houses in the parish,
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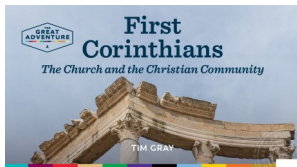
SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS		PRAY FOR	10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK	
6:30pm:	Marie Carey (A) Mary McQuillan (2A) & Phyllis McQuillan (12A)	Anne & Peter Smith (A)	Mon:	Special Intention
9:00am:	Altar List of the Dead		Tues:	Special Intention
11:00am:	Grace Doherty (7A) & Edward Greene (A)		Wed:	Eileen & Sean Lynch & Anna Nessmann (A)
12:30pm:	Eda & Zara Cafolla (A)		Thur:	Nathan Maughan (R)
5:30pm:	Elizabeth Fay (1A)		Fri:	Lizzie Bambrick (A)
			Sat:	Katrina Morley (MM)



The story of Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus is recounted in the book of Acts, and would have taken place between 33 and 36 AD. He then began to

preach, travelling all over the Roman Empire, preaching the Good News of the Risen Christ and founding many churches. Paul eventually began to write letters to the churches he had founded, often in response to particular issues they faced or questions they had asked in letters to him.

In 2020 our Scripture Study group will begin a study of Paul's letters, starting with 1 Corinthians and later in 2020, we will study Paul's letter to the Galatians. You are very welcome to join us as we begin our study of Paul's letters in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre beginning in January. The study runs for a total of 19 weeks over Spring & Autumn 2020. Classes are 7.30-8.30 pm on Monday nights, the cost is €27 and the class size will be limited to c.45 people. Please register your name before the end of September as we need to order the study material well in advance. To register for the study please contact Louise at 01-8401188 or via email: brackenstownparish@gmail.com.



'Mary's Meals Ireland' are holding a church gate collection at St. Cronan's Church, after each Mass on this weekend **Saturday 28th September - Sunday 29th September 2019**. At present, Mary's Meals is feeding 1,504,471 children every school day, in schools in 18 of the most disadvantaged countries of the world.

The Mary's Meals Dublin Supporter Group are raising funds to feed the 541 students at "Gold Camp Public School" in Liberia, West Africa. Liberia is one of the poorest countries in the world. The school will require €8,440.00 p.a. to feed these pupils with a daily nutritious meal, provided by Mary's Meals, each year. Your donation will help these children, who might otherwise miss school to work, beg or scavenge for food, gain an education which we pray will be their ladder out of poverty. You can help make this life changing work possible. For more information about the work of Mary's Meals, please visit www.marysmeals.ie. We are so grateful for your support and prayers.

On Wednesday 25th September there will be a walk from St. Cronan's to visit the local Swords Mosque and a return walk with our friends from the Mosque to St. Cronan's. All are welcome. We start at 2pm from the Parish Pastoral Centre.

New Sanctuary Furniture

We have had some responses to our fundraising appeal and so far €6,795 has been donated, this includes a donation to cover the cost of the Ambo from the Bible Study Group and a gift from the Marie Reparatrice Sisters to cover the cost of the Sanctuary Lamp. If you wish to make a donation there are envelopes at the display at the Main Door.



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 1 hour with me? We encourage new people to come & join us.

PATRICIAN MEETING

The monthly Patrician Meeting resumes this week... You are invited to attend a discussion entitled "What is the Secret to Padre Pio's Holiness?" on Thursday next, 26th September at 8pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre (St. Cronan's Church). Spiritual Director will speak on the subject and all welcome!

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

The Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock will take place on Sunday 29th September. If you would like to travel on this Pilgrimage, please book with Legion of Mary members in Main Porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses. Details on posters.

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 last Candle Light Procession. If you would like to pray the Rosary 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.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK FOR OUR LADY?

Legion of Mary needs new members to help Our Lady bring Jesus to more people. Meetings are held in a new location (Crosscare meeting room beside priests house) on Tuesdays at 10:30am, Wednesdays 7:30pm and on Fridays for under 18's we meet at 4:45pm. Why not come and see what you can do!



"LIKE" Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

FAMILY OFFERING

Thank you for your support and generosity to the ongoing running costs of the Parish. The amounts for last weekend's collections will be published in next week's newsletter. July Standing Order: €5,337.00

BASE HAVE A FEW VACANCIES remaining in some of their classes For further information contact 01 890 2593 between 9am and 12pm Monday - Friday



Meditation & Relaxation, St. Cronan's Parish Centre
"An Hour of Stillness, Calm & Peace"



Every Friday
10:45am to 11:45am
Cost €5



Facilitators: Ann 087 6138680 & Denise 086 0610463

Praying with God's Word

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 1st Reading Am 8:4-7; 2nd Reading 1 Tm 2:1-8; Gospel Lk 16:1-13

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

First Reading: Am 6:1a, 4-7, 2nd Reading: 1 Tm 6:11-16; Gospel: Lk 16:19-31



View our Parish Webcam via the Parish Website www.brackenstown-parish.com

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