

Parish Newsletter

3rd February 2019 ✘ Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time ✘ Year C

WYD - Panama in Dublin



Catholic Schools Week



Congratulations to the pupils of St. Cronan's SNS who took part in the Diocesan 'Laudate' music festival this week

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



Fr. Paul with Niamh Hardiman (Society of Friends) who delivered the Address.



Confession: Saturday 10:30am-11:30am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm & After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: David Carroll (10th Anniv)
 9:00am: Parish Intentions
 11:00am: June Daly (32nd Anniv)
 12:30pm: Bridget & George Taylor
 5:30pm: Eugene Marron

PRAY FOR

Paddy Moore
 Gearoid Lynch
 Kathleen Monks
 (recently deceased)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Deceased Members of the O'Reilly Family
 Tues: Special Intention
 Wed: Brendan O'Reilly (birthday remembrance)
 Pray for Patrick Byrne
 Thur: Maureen Fletcher (10th (Anniv)
 Fri: Emmet Clinton
 Sat: Mary Bohan (Anniv)

PARISH DIARY

DATE	EVENT
MONTH OF FEBRUARY	
4th	Service of Light at 7.30pm for St. Cronan's SNS, Day 1
5th	Service of Light at 7.30pm for St. Cronan's SNS, Day 2
9th	Do this in Memory Mass @ 6.30pm for Swords and Thornleigh ETNS; St Cronan's JNS—Ms. Manton, Ms. Ryan and Ms. Lehany
10th	Do this in Memory Mass @ 6.30pm For GSBB; St. Cronan's JNS—Ms. Hargadon, Ms. Hanratty, Ms. McSweeney, Ms. McLoughlin
11th	Service of Light at 7.30pm for Gaelscoil Brian Boroimhe

THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE




In the next few weeks, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated here in the Parish. As the young people enter into the final stages of preparation, they will take part in **the Service of Light**.

At their child's baptism parents light the baptismal candle from the paschal candle, this is a sign that they are willing to hand on their faith to their child. In the same way, at the service of light, parents once again light their child's baptismal candle from the paschal candle and hand the lighted candle to their children; in doing so parents promise to help and support their child live out the call of their Confirmation. They are agreeing, together with their child, to keep the light of faith burning in all of their lives. The children are also asked to make a promise not to drink alcohol until they are 18, and to never take or handle dangerous drugs.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

will be celebrated on Thursday, February 14th & Friday February 15th. On both of those days, Morning Mass will be celebrated at **9am**. The car park will close at 9.30am and will not re-open until after the Schools close.

*Please pray for the young people at this important time in their lives as they approach the Sacrament of Confirmation.
May they be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.*



As those living close to the Church will have noticed, there is a fault with the bells at the moment. We apologise for the bells ringing at unusual hours. They have been switched off while we await the visit of a technician to fix the problem

Fr. Joseph has returned to India after his recent visit to us. It was wonderful to see him again and to have the chance to re-connect with friends here in the Parish and beyond. Please pray for him as he returns to his ministry in the Congregation's Retreat House in Bangalore after what was, please God, a restful and enjoyable break



Rosary in the Grotto
Monday 11th February; Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
Volunteers required to recite Rosary on Monday 11th February every hour on half hour commencing 9:30am to 9:30pm. Please sign roster at back of Church or contact a member of Legion of Mary.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

February 11th, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes is when the Church celebrates the 'World Day of the Sick'. On Sunday, February 10th, the Sacrament of the Sick will be available after all Masses.
'The World Day of the Sick' is a call once again to all, to see in the face of their brother or sister who is sick the face of Christ who, suffering, dying and rising, brought salvation to humanity.'
Saint John Paul II

CASA—the Caring and Sharing Association would like to thank the Parishioners of Brackenstown for your generosity at last weekend's Church Gate Collection. A total of €625 was collected.

BOOK CLUB
Would you be interested in taking part in a Book Club here in the Parish that would read and discuss various spiritual books/documents? If you are interested, please give your name to Louise in the Parish Office

CUIDIU DUBLIN COUNTY NORTH

HUMPTY DUMPTY PLAY GROUP

DROP IN THURSDAYS
10:30 TO 12PM



ALL BABIES/CHILDREN AND CAREGIVERS WELCOME
TOYS & ROOM TO ROAM
COFFEE & TEA
NON-MEMBERS: 3EUR
CUIDIU MEMBERS: 2EUR

ST. CRONAN'S PARISH CENTRE.
BRACKENSTOWN, SWORDS

QUESTIONS?
KATIA @ 0896067037



Don't Forget!
The Blessing of Throats will take place on Monday, February 4th after the 10am Mass



BRACKENSTOWN PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND



Friday 13 - Saturday 21 September 2019

Led by Fr. Paul Thornton

This very special pilgrimage will commence with a direct flight which will take you from Dublin to Tel Aviv in just under 6 hours. You then begin your Pilgrimage in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee from where you will visit Cana, Mount Tabor, Capernaum & Nazareth. A drive through the Jordan Valley will take you to Jerusalem where you will visit the Old City and all the main sites of interest & to Bethlehem

Highlights

- Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus
- Mount of Beatitudes and Mount Tabor
- Boat trip on the Sea of Galilee & Capernaum
- Visit to the Holy Sepulchre
- Birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem
- Nazareth and Cana

What is Included

- Direct flights Dublin – Tel Aviv return
- Airport taxes and charges
- 8 nights accommodation, twin sharing in Royal Plaza, Tiberias and Ramat Rachel, Jerusalem
- Dinner, bed and breakfast basis throughout
- Transfers and coaching as per programme
- Entrance fees where applicable, including Masada
- Porterage at airport and hotels
- Expert local guide throughout the Pilgrimage
- Gratuities and Tips
- Travel Agent is MAP Travel

The COST OF THE PILGRIMAGE IS €1,760

Deposit of €250 required by the end of February
Bookings can be made through the Parish Office



Next Parent Meeting is
Thursday 7TH FEBRUARY
Next dates for Baptisms:

Sunday 10th February 11am & 12:30pm Masses
Saturday 23rd February at 12:30pm

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

Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this Sunday & the following Sunday:

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Responsorial Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17; Second Reading: 1 Cor 13:4-13

Gospel :Lk 4:21-30

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8;
Responsorial Psalm: 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8;
Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Gospel Lk 5:1-11



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.

Prayer meeting

Prayer Meeting on Tuesday next 5th February from 8pm— 9pm in Sister's House, 29 Brackenstown Village (opposite school). This Prayer Group promotes devotion to Servant of God, Frank Duff, Founder of Legion of Mary. Everybody most welcome.

Religious Goods

Confirmation Cards, medals, souvenirs etc. available from Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses.

The Rosary Statue

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

CAN YOU HELP?

If you could give 20-30 minutes per month, you could do a lot to spread the Good News. Help needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish... e.g. Swords Manor, St. Cronan's Estate etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after the weekend Masses or leave your name & phone no. with Louise in parish office.



'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.

December Standing Order €
Outdoor Collection - €625.48
Annuals/Half Yearly - n/a

All of the above contributions are recorded for the tax rebate.

Collections at the weekend Masses

First Collection - €1193.78 (266.22€recorded for Tax)
Share Collection - €1066.30(€211.16 recorded for Tax)