

# CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

## BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

19th Sunday Ordinary Time  
7th August 2022 Year C

### Taking Time to Nourish Our Faith

We have just entered the month of August, and we are still in holiday mode, with many people either away or preparing to go away.

Summer is a vital time for changing rhythm, having more time with

family and friends, reconnecting with nature and recharging the batteries. It is a time too when farmers prepare for the harvest. August, however, also signals the approach of the new school year. Parents are organising school uniforms or registering their children for sacraments. Other people may be setting out on new paths: a new job, secondary school, college, or going abroad to work or study. It is all about preparing, being ready. This is the call at the heart of this Sunday's Gospel: *'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit'*. As people of faith, we are invited to be clear about what we are about, to have a focus. This means taking time to nourish our faith: through prayer, reflection and reading of scripture or some form of spiritual reading, and perhaps through some kind of parish involvement or ministry, so that we grow in our relationship with Christ and become a beacon of hope for others. *'For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.'*

Fr. Richard



Godly Play Ireland in partnership with the Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, is offering a Commuter Core Training course in Dublin.

Core Commuter training consists of three days training to take place over three Saturdays in September, October and November. It offers the opportunity to develop your practice and understanding of the art of Godly Play.

There will be a mixture of facilitator-led presentations together with participant storytelling presentations. Each Saturday explores one of the primary genres of Godly Play: Sacred Stories, Parables and Liturgical Lessons.

Workshops also cover details of how to set up a Godly Play environment, the theology and spirituality of childhood, and time to explore your concerns and questions.

This commuter model underscores the action/reflection aspect of Godly Play training by allowing participants new experiences between training dates, which they then bring with them to the next Commuter Core module. Cost: €300 Location: The Well @ Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education, DCU Institute of Education, St Patrick's Campus, Drumcondra.

**BOOKING THROUGH THIS LINK:** <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/godly-play-core-training-tickets-394941048307>

### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Masses Times for the Feast of the Assumption  
Monday 15th August at 10 am and 7:30 pm

### FAITH 'N' FUN

Bible Stories, Crafts & lots more fun things to do!

FREE - to all aged 6 - 11 years

in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre  
Brackenstown Road, Swords



Thursday

11th August

2pm - 4pm

Organised by Legion of Mary  
Registration Forms available in  
Main Porch of St. Cronan's Church  
Parish Office Phone No: 01 8401188

SUNDAY MASSES: (Sat Vigil) 6pm; 9am; 11am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: MONDAY to SATURDAY 10:00am

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10:45am to 11:30am in the Pastoral Centre

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](http://www.brackenstown-parish.com)

If you are interested in receiving the Parish Newsletter weekly by email, Please email the Parish Office  
Office Hours: Mon - Fri 9:30am - 1pm

## PASTORAL AREA OFFICE VACANCY

The Pastoral Area of Garristown, Naul & Rolestown is currently recruiting a Secretary. This role is offered initially on a one-year fixed term and part-time basis, 12 hours per week.

Duties include:

- Providing an administrative service to the Pastoral Area
- Managing the Pastoral Area Office with the effective use of up-to-date office systems
- Receiving members of the public and dealing with enquiries
- Maintaining computerised parish accounts
- Recording and managing parish records.

Letters of applications should be made by email to the Moderator, V. Rev. Derek Farrell at [pagnr44@gmail.com](mailto:pagnr44@gmail.com) with the subject title "Pastoral Area Secretary". **Closing Date for applications is Monday 15th August 2022.** Candidate requirements, and a full job description can be downloaded from the Pastoral Area website [www.pastoralareagnr.com](http://www.pastoralareagnr.com)

After two years of Covid, we are delighted to resume the Annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. This will take place from 7th—12th September 2022. If you would like to become an associate member and make a donation, the Legion of Mary will take up a collection after all Masses next weekend.



**From October 2022 Baptisms will be on 2nd and 4th Saturday and Sunday of each month at 12 noon Up to three babies may be baptised at each ceremony**

**The Parish Office will be closed next Friday, 12th August**



## SEARCHING FOR SWORD'S TIDIEST ESTATE

Please enter your estate in Swords Tidiest Estate Competition, run by your local Tidy Town Committee

**Competition runs from August to September**

Estates will be judged on:  
Communal Area (40%)  
Gardens (30%)  
House Exterior (30%)

Prize:  
€500 cash  
Free Skip  
Winners Plaque

**Please support Swords Tidy Towns**

Contact Grace Dunne at [gracedunne45@gmail.com](mailto:gracedunne45@gmail.com) or call on 087 627 2332

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

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The Annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 will take place on **Saturday 17th September 2022**. The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out—it is not a race.

**UCD, Dublin to Wexford town with 145km or 100km routes**  
Early Bird registration is €50 and is open until Tuesday 2nd August and Transport back to Dublin after the cycle is available to all cyclists

To find out more or to register visit [www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle](http://www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle) or call 01 823 0776



Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 Saturday 17th September

## Fingal Older Peoples Council are producing a Memory Maker Recipe Book (2022) and we need your help!

We are seeking submissions from older people living in Fingal to send us their family recipes accompanied by a short story, poem, picture/photo or anecdote that sums up the memories or feelings the recipe recalls, for inclusion in the book. A copy of the publication will be presented to all those whose recipes/stories are included.

**Closing date is Wednesday 31st August 2022**

**Please email: [community@fingal.ie](mailto:community@fingal.ie) or post to Tricia Matthews/Cathrina Murphy, Community Department, Fingal County Council, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15.**

Submissions can also be given to your local OPC Representative or Community Officer



## Bethany Bereavement Support Group

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

**Please phone Terri - 8403243  
Sunday 7th to Saturday 13th August**

*"Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they shall be comforted"*

## ROSARY STATUE

Everybody wants peace..... Peace in our hearts, in our homes, peace in the world. Prayer brings peace. You might like to have the "Rosary Statue" in your home for a week and pray the rosary... Of you would like this, arrangements will be made to suit your circumstances. Please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch, after Saturday evening Mass or Sunday Morning Masses or through the Parish Office.

'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown



## SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

### Recently Deceased

Patrick Ryan (MM)  
Stephen Clarke (MM)

### Anniversaries

Colin Green  
Catherine McNally  
Daniel Murray  
Mary Tormey  
Patrick Dooley (7A)  
Nano Byrne (15A)  
Michael Field (18A)

## 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

**Mon** Eileen Amis (A)  
**Tues** Darren Stafford (7A)  
**Wed** Michael & Eugene Fitzsimons (A)  
**Thur** Marjorie Costello (RD)  
**Fri** James O'Toole (A)  
**Sat** Edwin Farrell (RD)

## PARISH PRIEST & ADMINISTRATOR

**Fr. Richard Sheehy**  
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## PARISH CURATE

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## PERMANENT DEACON

**Declan Colgan**  
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## PARISH SECRETARY

**Louise Donnelly**  
Mon to Fri. 9:30am – 1:00pm  
01 8401188

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20016166

*Building Hope*

Archdiocese of Dublin

## The Building Hope Prayer

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.