

Parish Newsletter

14th April 2019 ✠

Palm Sunday ✠

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Holy Week

Reconciliation Service: Tuesday 16th April at 7:30pm St. Finian's Church, Rivervalley
Holy Thursday: No Morning Mass. Mass of the Lords Supper is at 7:30pm followed by Watch and Pray until 10:00pm.
Good Friday: Morning Prayer at 10:00am
 Stations of the Cross for Families at 12:00 noon followed by Confessions until 1:30pm
 Passion of Our Lord and Veneration of the Cross 3:00pm followed by Confessions until 5:00pm.
 Reflections on the Stations of the Cross at 8:00pm
Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer 10:00am
 No Confessions in St. Cronan's Church, Penitential Service In St. Colmcille's Church, Swords at 11:00am
 Penance Service in St. Colmcille's at 11:00am
 Blessing of Baskets 3:00pm

Easter

Easter Vigil: gather in the Pastoral Centre Garden for the blessing of the Easter Fire at 8:50pm. Bring a bell for the Gloria and Alleluia, and a bottle for the Easter Water.
Easter Sunday: 9:00am; 11:00am, 12:30pm (Family Mass Group) and 5:30pm
Easter Monday Mass at 11:00am (Church closes at 12:00noon)
Tuesday to Saturday Mass at 10:00am (Church closes at 12:00 noon, no confessions on Saturday)
Sunday 28th April Divine Mercy Devotions Vigil 6:30pm; 9:00am; 11:00am; 12:30pm
Divine Mercy Devotions starting at 2:45pm and concluding with Mass at 5:30pm.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Bridie Rooney (A)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
11:00am: Dcsd Members McTernan Family
12:30pm: Anne, James, Teresa & Anthony Marmion (A)
5:30pm: Margaret O'Neill (1st A)

PRAY FOR

Christina Hoey (A)
Martina Harley (A & B'day R)
Baby Jack Joey O'Reilly (RD)
Vincent, Charlotte, Mary Ellen & Fintan Delamere (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: James Coffey (RD)
Tues: Special Intention (A) Pray for: Dick Slattery (A)
Wed:
Thur: HOLY THURSDAY
Fri: GOOD FRIDAY
Sat: EASTER SATURDAY

Parish Pilgrimages



KNOCK: Saturday 27th April departing from St. Cronan's Church at 7:30am returning 9:00pm approx. €20.00. Bring a packed lunch and be part of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage. Book in the Parish Office.



HOLY LAND: 13th—21st September The Pilgrimage costs €1,765.00. It will be led by Fr. Paul Thornton and will visit all the main places in the life of Jesus. It will be some years before there will be a pilgrimage from the Parish. Limited places available. Please contact MAP Travel for booking 01 8783111



LOURDES: 19th—24th September €759.00 Group Leader Susan Keane 01 8084445 or 085 847 1539. Staying at the Padoue Hotel. Agent is Pilgrimages Abroad.



YOURPARISHAPP

The Brackenstown Parish App is now live. It is in the process of development and will contain all our Parish information and calendars etc.

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Diocese, select DUBLIN then select BRACKENSTOWN .

Trocaire Lenten Campaign

Last Sunday Mary Coogan and Tony Devlin of Trócaire reminded us how important the Lenten Campaign is to their work. 2.4 million people were assisted by the agency last year. This can only be done with your support. Please continue to fill your box and bring it back to the Church after Easter.



Praying with God's Word



4th Sunday of Lent: First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8; 13-15, Second Reading: 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Gospel Luke 13:1-9
5th Sunday of Lent: First Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21; Second Reading Phil. 3:8-14; Gospel John 8:1-11

**"My God, my God,
Why have you forsaken me?"**

Finance News

ANNUAL RECEIPTS have been posted out to all contributors. We have made every effort to ensure accuracy, but if you have any questions please contact the Parish Office.

EASTER DUES: the envelopes have been included with the receipts in an effort to use less paper. There will be Dues Envelopes also available at the back of the Church. This contribution together with the First Collection supports Fr. Paul and Fr. Bibin and the sick and retired priests in the Diocese. Please return in the collection on Sunday or to the white post boxes.

Please include both spouses' names on the Easter Dues envelopes

If you pay tax and you contribute more than €250 to the Parish in a calendar year, this then enables the Parish to reclaim the tax paid on your contributions. Your Easter Dues offering can be included as part of the €250 base figure. Unfortunately, the Revenue now only allow this if the name of the primary tax payer in the family is included on the Dues envelope. For instance: if we make up a fictional couple Michael and Mary Murphy: they are married, with Mary being the primary tax payer. We wouldn't be allowed to include the Murphy offering if their Dues envelope was only in the name of Michael Murphy. **The ideal is to include both names**, Michael and Mary Murphy, to be sure of inclusion in the tax reclaim. Also allowable would be the Murphy Family or Mary Murphy. Single or widowed contributors are not affected as their Dues offering will be in their own name anyhow.

Thank you to all who contribute so generously to the Dues offerings, it is very much appreciated.

Parish Finance Committee

FAMILY OFFERING

Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity to the ongoing running costs of the Parish. Family Offering €738.36

February Standing Order €3,411

Collections at Weekend

1st Collection €1259.80 Tax €355.05

Share Collection €1115.55 Tax €267.78

A LOOK AT THE NEW ALTAR, AMBO AND CHAIR

Below is the proposed designed for the different pieces of Altar furniture. There will also be two servers stools, an ambry for the holy oils, a new tabernacle lamp, candle holders, flower stands and the radiators along the back of the sanctuary will be covered.



Prayer by Text now available on the Brackenstown Parish App

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

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Schools News



On April 2nd the **Senior School Choir** competed in the annual Feis Ceoil music festival at the RDS, Ballsbridge. The children competed in the Irish and the Sacred Music sections of this festival. The children won first place in the Irish competition and were delighted to take the Kingston Trophy back to the school again. Well done to all involved.



A **Bake Sale**, which was run by the Student Council and took place on Wednesday 3rd of April. The children raised over €1800 to date for LauraLynn Children's Hospice and the Irish Cancer Society. Loreto

thought you might like to include it in the parish newsletter. It was a marvellous feat, especially considering our target was €700!



Memorial Service for Jakub Czyn

On Thursday 4th April the 5th Class in Swords Educate Together NS, organised a memorial service for their classmate Jakub who died tragically last September. It was a great celebration of his life and of the fun that he brought to the school and his friends. We keep his parents Radik and Marta and brother Boris in our prayers at this difficult time in their lives.

Anam Cara North Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a **Parent Evening** for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 17th April at 7:20pm** in the **Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin**. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.



The annual Advocate collection for the Sunshine Fund takes place this weekend on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th April. The Sunshine Fund, a special works conference of the St. Vincent de Paul provides summer holidays for children all over Dublin who need a holiday. This collection is their only source of funds. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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.

COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Rosettes, Medals, Souvenirs etc. for First Holy Communion & Confirmation available in main porch after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

SPIRITUAL READING

A selection of Booklets including Lent with Matt Talbot, Sacred Heart Messenger, St. Martin Magazine, Children's Books and Catholic Newspapers available from bookrack on back wall of Church.

HELP SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS

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 eg. St. Cronan's Estate and Swords Manor etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

THE ROSARY

Prayer is of vital importance in our lives. We pray in praise, petition, thanksgiving. Our Lady asks us to pray the Rosary. Why not make a new start? Having the Statue of Our Lady in your home details with a member of Legion of Mary after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses and arrangements will be made to suit you. A week should help you to take the first step. Just leave your name & contact



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords



Divine Mercy Devotions
St. Cronan's Church, Brackenstown
Sunday 28th April
Beginning at 2:45pm
Chaplet at 3:00pm
Concluding with Mass at 5:30pm

Blessing with the Relics of St. Faustina and Blessed Michal Sopoko



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