

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN

BRACKENSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

29th Sunday Ordinary Time
16th October 2022 Year C

Reflection

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart' (Luke 18: 1)

Prayer is the heart of the Christian life. Praying is not just asking, nor is it just giving thanks. Praying means first of all to become so quiet that we perceive God's word to us, and then it means to respond to that word either in words or in deeds. Praying means to turn one's life to God and to his word as revealed to us through Christ, to surrender, entrust our lives completely to God, to throw ourselves into God's arms, to grow together with God, to sense God's life in our own lives. Praying means wanting to approach and remain close to God because God has come close to us.

(Dietrich Bonhoeffer)



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
23rd October 2022

Next Sunday, 23rd October is **Mission Sunday**. The theme for this year's Mission Sunday is: *'You Shall Be My Witnesses'* (Acts 1:8).

A special collection to support overseas mission and missionaries will replace the Share collection at all Masses. The proceeds will be forwarded to Missio (Ireland), which is the pope's official charity for overseas mission.

HAPPINESS IS....

ST CRONAN'S CHOIR SING AT 11AM SUNDAY MASS ON THE THIRD AND FOURTH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH. WE REHEARSE THE TWO TUESDAYS BEFORE EACH MASS. WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO OUR CHOIR, NO PREVIOUS CHOIR EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. PLEASE TALK TO US AFTER THE 11AM SUNDAY MASSES ON 16TH & 23RD OCTOBER OR LEAVE YOUR DETAILS IN THE PARISH OFFICE.

...SINGING IN A CHOIR

This weekend we celebrate the Mass of Enrolment for children and their families preparing for First Communion. Some of the children and their families will participate in the 6pm (vigil) Mass on Saturday, others will attend the 5pm Mass on Sunday, and others again will attend an extra 12.30pm Mass on Sunday. Let us keep them all in our prayers.

Archbishop Dermot Farrell has issued a response to the feedback from parish meetings which took place across the diocese shortly after Easter under the **Building Hope** Initiative. He reminds us that out of the initial Building Hope consultation a framework for pastoral renewal in the diocese was drawn up based around the four themes which emerged in the consultation, namely:

"to build up: communities that are faith filled, communities of co-responsibility through servant leadership, communities that are active in social justice and communities of welcome and inclusion." (Building Hope Task Force Report)

Parish Pastoral Councils are invited to consider how best to raise awareness locally of these four dimensions of faith, servant leadership, welcome and social justice, centred on the person of Jesus. In order to develop parish partnerships and new ways of working and ministering, PPCs of partnership parishes will be encouraged to collaborate more closely together. Further guidance on this new way of working will be offered in the coming months. The full text of the Archbishop's response: **Building Hope: Feedback on Easter 2022, Strategic Planning Process** is available on the diocesan website: www.dublindiocese.ie

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.

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



**Open Day for
St Cronan's
Junior School
Wednesday
19th October 22
2:40 pm to 4:30pm
All Welcome**

**The monthly meeting of the Parish
Finance Committee takes place on
Monday 17th October
at 9.00pm in
the Pastoral
Centre**



**Bethany Bereavement
Support Group**
offer a free and
confidential telephone
support to any
bereaved parishioners
who may wish to avail of it

**Bridget - 085 2812985 - week Sunday
9th October to Saturday 15th
Please phone from 6-8pm
"Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted"**



**Meetings for parents of children preparing for
the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish will
take place in the Pastoral Centre on Tuesday
18th and Thursday 20th October at 7.15pm and
8.30pm each evening**



On behalf of the Fr James Gilmore Branch of
O.N.E. we would like to convey our sincere thank
you to the parishioners of St. Cronan's Church for
their kind donations to the Church Gate Collection
Sat/Sunday 8/9th of October last. We do
appreciate your support.
Best regards, Sean Shinnors Branch Secretary.



The Hospitality Committee
are organising tea/coffee
in the parish centre after
10.00am Mass
each Wednesday
All are welcome

A gentleman, who has arrived in the country a couple of months ago and is working near Swords, is looking for rented accommodation for himself and his 14 year old son who attends school in the locality. At present they are staying with a friend. If you can assist with this request, please contact the parish office.

**Garry Kehoe, the Diocesan Child and Vulnerable Adult Safeguarding Education
Officer, will lead an Information evening on Child Safeguarding** in the Pastoral Centre
on **Tuesday 25th October at 7.30pm**. All parish volunteers, who have not attended a
similar information evening in the past three years, are invited to attend. All parish
volunteers (ministers of the Word or of the Eucharist, sacristans, choir leaders, etc) are
also asked to fill out a Volunteer Application form every three years and return it to the
parish office. The form is available from the following link:

<https://csp.dublindioocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/09/Confidential-Application-Declaration-Form-for-Parish-Staff-Volunteers.pdf>

Parish staff and volunteers, who work directly with children and vulnerable adults are
required to be Garda vetted. The Garda Vetting Application form is available from the
following link: <https://csp.dublindioocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2016/06/Parish-NVB-1-Form-2022.pdf>

Many thanks to all volunteers who have already completed forms and returned them to the
parish office.

**The Bible seminars exploring the First Letter of St.
Paul to the Corinthians continue on Monday evenings
at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.
All are welcome to join.**



Esras Films, an independent TV production company are producing a religious documentary
series for RTE (our national broadcaster) on the topic of multi-national, multicultural religious
marriage. In many parts of Ireland, 1 in 4 marriages had at least one nationality other than Irish –
there are many potential combinations of nationalities, cultures, ethnicities and faiths. Esras Films
are especially interested in those couples who choose a religious wedding ceremony. There are
obviously challenges when partners come from different religious traditions, but the choice of a
religious ceremony shows a mutual respect among people of faith. The aim of the series is to
celebrate the rich and diverse religious life in contemporary Ireland. And marriage in particular
represents a very positive and joyful union! Esras Films would like to share those stories with
viewers. So they are on the lookout for multi-cultural couples preparing for Christian marriage in the
weeks and months ahead. Peter Kelly of Esras Films has asked us to let parishioners know about
this project. If you and your fiancé(e) are from two different nationalities or two different Christian
traditions or faith backgrounds and are happy to be interviewed for the programme series, you might
contact Peter directly at Tel. 087 23 007 24.

PATRICIAN MEETING

"St. Therese—a Saint for our Times"

What is her appeal? What is her "Little Way"?
Why not come along to a discussion on her life
on **Thursday next, 20th October**, at 8:00pm in
Parish Pastoral Centre. You will be most
welcome. Spiritual Director will attend.

Looking forward to seeing you.

THE ROSARY

The Rosary helps us to focus on the main
events in the life of Jesus. It is a wonderful
prayer. The "Rosary Statue" was blessed at
the recent Candlelight Procession. If you
would like to have the statue in your home
for a little time, please contact a member of
Legion of Mary in the main porch after
Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased

Frank McNally
Breda Stacey
Mary O'Connor
Sean Carvin
Bernadette Melsopp
Paudge Rowsome

Anniversaries

Bill & Kay O'Connor
Peg & Joe O'Reilly
Thomas Palmer (1A)
Annie Cronin (BR)
Seamus Grant (1A)
Margie Markey (A)
Bridget & Andy McHugh (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

John & Annie McNally (A)
Henry & Teresa McGuirk (A)
Mon Josephine Hughes (1A)
Patricia McGuirk (MM)
Barbara Reilly (1A)
Tues James Darcy (A)
Thanksgiving Intention
Wed Dympna McEneaney (RD)
Thur Dympna McEneaney (RD)
Fri Eamonn McNally (RD)
Sat Special Intention

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