

Parish Newsletter

23rd February 2020

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Ash Wednesday 26th February

Masses 7:30am, 10:00am & 7:30pm

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.

They will also be distributed outside the Church from 8:30am to 9:15am.

Lent Retreat will take place from Wednesday 18th March to Sunday 22nd March.

At the centre of the Retreat will be Pope Francis' 24 Hours for the Lord an invitation to healing through Prayer, Reconciliation and Anointing.

Details of the speakers will be given next week.

Suggested Reading for Lent:

Finding God in a Leaf by Fr. Brian Grogan.

This book reflects on Pope Francis' Letter Laudato Si, and through his gentle reflections

Fr. Brian helps us to see the world around us, our common home, in a new way.

Some ideas for Lent:

Prayer by text



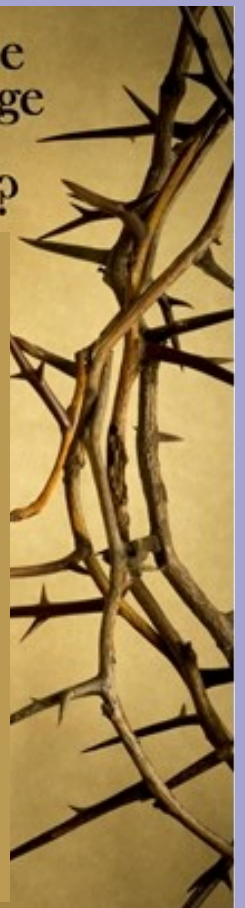
A helpful way to connect with the Gospels of Lent is to receive a text each day with a line from them.

If you want to be part of this, please fill in the yellow form which is in the information stands in the Church.

Why not take the Short-Term Pledge as your Lenten sacrifice?

As part of its work for temperance and sobriety, the Pioneer Association have a Short-Term Pledge section for adults over the age of eighteen years.

This pledge enables a person who does not wish to make a life commitment of total abstinence to take the pledge for a limited period of time and make a worthwhile sacrifice. If you would like to take the pledge for the six weeks of Lent, you can go online and follow the links to join on: www.pioneerassociation.ie



Trocaire Boxes are available at the doors of the Church

Please take one for your family. At the end of Lent you can bring them back in Holy Week.

This years campaign focuses on the work being done in Kenya and Honduras.

You can find out more at www.trocaire.org.

We are now able to accept credit/debit cards in the Parish Office.
We will soon have an electronic payment facility on the Parish Website.



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SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm:	Frank Moreland & Joe Logue (A)
9:00am:	Altar List of the Dead and Intentions of Parish
11:00am:	Deceased Members of Maginn, Barker & Ellison Families
12:30pm:	Mary Ryan (6A)
5:30pm:	Mary (4A) & Andrew (5A) Doyle

PRAY FOR

Christy McNally (A)
Paddy McManus (A)
Margaret Morandeira (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon:	Patrick & Mary Kate Gallagher (A) Pray for: Ciarán Maxwell (A)
Tues:	Anne, Tome, Philomena O'Leary & Lynsey Byrne (A)
Wed:	Special Intention
Thur:	Michael Cox (A)
Fri:	Mary Bohan & Maureen Traynor (A)
Sat:	Special Intention

2020 Envelope Boxes

The new boxes of Family Offering Parish Envelopes will be available to be collected at the back of the Church after all Masses this weekend of 22nd/23rd of February. Your support for the Family Offering is greatly appreciated. The Parish depends on the voluntary contributions of parishioners for the running and development of the Parish.

The new envelope boxes for the First and Second collections at Mass will also be available to be collected at the back of the church after all Masses this weekend of 22nd/23rd February. There are substantial potential benefits for the Parish if the donor uses these envelopes for the collections at Mass and is an income taxpayer. Last year the Parish received a CHY income tax refund of over €43,698. Our previous highest tax refund had been €34,214 in 2010. You can request a box of envelopes or a standing order form for the Family Offering to support the running of the Parish by contacting the Parish office Tel 8401188, or email brackenstownparish@gmail.com. There are also forms available on the tables at the back of the church. Completed forms can be placed in the white post boxes in the Church or returned to the Parish office. The Parish depends on the voluntary contributions of parishioners for the running and development of the Parish. Thank you to all who support the Parish so generously.

Paddy O'Byrne, Finance Committee



"DEEP PEACE"

A CELEBRATION IN WORDS AND MUSIC
IN RECOGNITION OF THE CARE GIVEN BY ST
FRANCIS HOSPICE DUBLIN OVER 30 YEARS.

SUNDAY 1ST MARCH 2020 @ 3PM

ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE CHAPEL DRUMCONDRA

With **BUVINDA**

(Meath County Council Workplace Choir)

Pentetetra String Quartet

Special Guest: Grace Hanley, Soprano

Musical Director: Giovanna Feeley

FREE PUBLIC EVENT - ALL WELCOME

"RISE - TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK!"

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

2020 from Zimbabwe

Service takes place on

FRIDAY, 6TH MARCH 2020 @ 7:30 P.M.

IN ST. FINIAN'S CHURCH, RIVER VALLEY

MAKE THIS LENT MORE MEANINGFUL!

Ash Wednesday 26th February

Carmelite Sisters Monastery, Seapark, Malahide

From 10am—4:30pm

To Book: Contact Sally 087 6226620

Cost €35

Bring Packed Lunch

Dates for your Diary in 2020

Confirmation GSBB	5th March	GSBB
Lent Retreat	17th—21st March	
Confirmation	25th April	ETNS
First Holy Communion	9th May (10:00 & 12:00)	St. Cronan's
First Holy Communion	16th May (10:00)	GSBB
First Holy Communion	16th May (12:00)	ETNS

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

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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.

TAKE UP SOMETHING...

Why not take up something for Lent? Perhaps a visit to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament... when passing the Church or at Adoration Time... Maybe attend Holy Mass on the weekdays... Some extra prayer each day?... Why not say the rosary (you could book the Rosary Statue to help). Could you distribute some "Alive!" papers? The Legion of Mary would welcome you at their meetings. Just a few suggestions. Give them some thought and make Lent worthwhile!

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation souvenirs, necklets, cards, rosary beads etc., as well as other religious items & books, available main porch after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses.

PRAYING THE ROSARY

The rosary reminds us of the major events of the life of Jesus. The "Rosary Statue" could help us focus on some of these important times. If you would like to have the Statue in your home for a week please speak to 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 the new location—"Crosscare" room at priest's house, on Tuesdays at 10:30am, Wednesdays at 7:30pm and 4:45pm on Fridays for Junior members in Parish Pastoral Centre. Why not come along and see what you can do!

HELPERS

Glasmore Park, Park View, Ormond, Swords Manor, and other areas of the parish, - New Helpers needed to deliver the "Alive!" Catholic paper. If you could give 20-30 minutes a month you could do great work to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Enquire at Legion of Mary table in the main porch after Sat. Evening or Sun morning Masses or leave your contact number with Louise in the 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: €3,719

Family Offering €384.32

1st Collection €1248.87 (Tax €370.00)

ACCORD Collection €1418.03 (Tax €0)

praying with
God's Word



2nd SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 3:16-23

Gospel: Mt 5:38-48

Confirmation for Gaelscoil Bhrian Boroimhe:

Will take place on Thursday 5th March at

11:00am. The morning Mass will be at

9:00am and the carpark will be closed from

8:45am to 3:00pm.