

# Parish Newsletter



## ASSEMBLY OF BRACKENSTOWN PARISH - ST. CRONAN'S CHURCH



### AIM:

TO GATHER TOGETHER AS PARISHIONERS OF ST. CRONAN'S PARISH, BRACKENSTOWN  
TO ACKNOWLEDGE, LISTEN, SHARE AND DISCERN NEW WAYS OF ENCOURAGING A  
VIBRANT CARING AND WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.

**YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US!**  
**YOUR OPINION MATTERS!**

**SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019**  
St. Cronan's School Hall  
**12.00 – 18.30**

RSVP: On or Before Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to the Parish Office  
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## EUCCHARISTIC 40 HOUR ADORATION

**40 Hour Adoration will begin Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October after 7:30am Mass**  
**Directed Holy Hour will be from 8:00pm – 9:00pm on Friday**  
**Benediction to end 40 Hours at 11:30pm on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October**  
**In St. Cronan's Church, Brackenstown Parish**

*UNTIL WE HAVE A PASSIONATE LOVE FOR OUR LORD IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT  
WE SHALL ACCOMPLISH NOTHING."*  
ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARD

There will be a sheet to volunteer to spend time with the Lord  
during the 40 hours on the table at the back of the Church.



At the 12:30 Mass Petra will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance. For the past few months she has been on a journey of enquiry to find out if this is the right decision to become a member of the Church, at this time in her life. Today as a family of faith we welcome Petra and accept her as a catechumen beginning her formal process of listening, learning and discerning God's will in her life. As she goes through the various stages towards full initiation at the Easter Vigil, we ask you to keep her in your prayers and to support Petra and her family at this important moment in their lives.



## Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019

### SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

**6:30pm:** Jim & May McKay (A)  
**9:00am:** Parish Intentions  
**11:00am:** John Murphy (A)  
**12:30pm:** Vincent Cox (10A)  
**5:30pm:** Jakub Czyz (Rem)

### PRAY FOR

Charlie Cleary (RD)  
Richard Greaney (2A)  
Lynda Ferris (10A)  
Vincent Cox (10A)  
Helen Whelan (16A)  
Nick, Annie & Roy Savage (R)

### 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

**Mon:** Tommy McDarby (A)  
**Tues:** Matt Bohan & Angela Mlsek (A)  
**Wed:** Marian Movement for Priests  
Pat Bewyn (RD)  
**Thur:** Pray for: Ben Maguire & Anne Duff (A)  
**Fri:** Decd Members of Carroll, O'Longe & Fletcher Families  
Pray for: Special Intention  
**Sat:** Special Intention

## SCRIPTURE STUDY

In 2020 our Scripture Study group will begin a study of Paul's letters, starting with 1 Corinthians and later in 2020, we will study Paul's letter to the Galatians. You are very welcome to join us as we begin our study of Paul's letters in St Cronan's Pastoral Centre beginning in January. The study runs for a total of 19 weeks over Spring & Autumn 2020. Classes are 7.30-8.30 pm on Monday nights, the cost is €27 and the class size will be limited to c.45 people. Please register your name before the end of September as we need to order the study material well in advance. To register for the study please contact Louise at 01-8401188 or via email: brackenstownparish@gmail.com.

'Mary's Meals Ireland' are holding a church gate collection at St. Cronan's Church, after each Mass this weekend Saturday 28th September - Sunday 29th September 2019. At present, Mary's Meals is feeding 1,504,471 children every school day, in schools in 18 of the most disadvantaged countries of the world. You can help make this life changing work possible. For more information about the work of Mary's Meals, please visit [www.marysmeals.ie](http://www.marysmeals.ie). We are so grateful for your support and prayers.

The Brackenstown branch of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society would like to thank the collectors, and all those who contributed so generously to its recent collection. The total amount received was €1,570. The extraordinary generosity of St. Cronan's parishioners is very much appreciated. Thank you most sincerely.

A huge thanks to everyone for their great support for the coffee morning held in Base on 6th September in aid of Zoe's Magic Wand. We are delighted to announce we raised €2,800 for this great cause.

Tearnaige Suicide Bereavement Support Group meets on the second Wednesday of every month in the BASE Centre from 8pm—9.30. All those who have been bereaved by suicide, whether recently or in the past are most welcome to attend.

## New Sanctuary Furniture

So far €7,165 has been donated to our fundraising appeal, this includes a donation to cover the cost of the Ambo from the Bible Study Group and a gift from the Marie Reparatrice Sisters to cover the cost of the Sanctuary Lamp. If you wish to make a donation there are envelopes at the display at the Main Door.

Parkinson's Group meets on Tuesday 10:30am for the meeting and 12:00 noon for the exercise class. New members welcome.

## 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.

## FRANK DUFF PRAYER MEETING

Our next Prayer Meeting takes place this week on Tuesday 1st October 8pm to 9 pm in the Pastoral Centre. This prayer group promotes devotion to Servant of God Frank Duff and all most welcome.

## THE ROSARY

Praying for a special intention? Praying for peace? The Rosary Statue was blessed for use in the homes of the Parish at the last Candle Light Procession. If you would like to pray the Rosary and have the rosary statue in your home for a week, or get more information, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses.

## HELP SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS

Could you give 20-30 minutes per month to help spread the Good News in your area? Helpers needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish... including St. Cronan's, Ormond Estate, Knockedan and Swords Manor. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone number with Louise in Parish Office.



**"LIKE" Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords**

## FAMILY OFFERING

Thank you for your support and generosity to the ongoing running costs of the Parish.

**August Standing Order: €3,296.**

### SUNDAY 16/09/19

Family Offering: €788.12  
First Collection: €1236.52  
(For Tax Reclaim: €329.45)  
Share Collection: €952.32  
(For Tax Reclaim: €190.95)

### SUNDAY 23/09/19

Family Offering: €738.08  
First Collection: €1310.33  
(For Tax Reclaim: €349.90)  
Share Collection: €1068.02  
(For Tax Reclaim: €240.65)

## Praying with God's Word

### 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

First Reading: Am 6:1a, 4-7, 2nd Reading: 1 Tm 6:11-16; Gospel: Lk 16:19-31

### 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

First Reading: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2nd Reading: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Gospel: Lk 17:5-10



## Relationship and Sexuality Education (RSE)

The National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA) have been tasked with reviewing the content and methodology of the teaching of Relationship and Sexuality Education in Primary and Post Primary Schools. While this review is welcomed the proposal being put to the Government is that RSE should be taught in a 'value free' way meaning that how we understand our relationships and sexuality will not take into account our faith values. The Diocesan Education Office as well as that of the Irish Bishops Conference have raised their concerns with the NCCA. But it is up to parents to look at what is being proposed and then submit their concerns directly to the NCCA. If you want the programme to take into account the moral values of our faith then it is important to make this known by the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019. You can do this by reading the proposal and making a submission on their website by searching for "ncca rse review". There you can read the draft report and complete the online survey.

View our Parish Webcam via the Parish Website [www.brackenstown-parish.com](http://www.brackenstown-parish.com)

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