

CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ✠ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

Parish Newsletter

2nd August 2020 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



Declan Colgan and Declan Barry will both be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate in St. Cronan's Church, Brackentown on

Friday 28th August 7:30pm

We wish both Declan's every blessing as they undertake their new roles in the Church.

Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

The congregation is limited to the families of those being ordained and everybody else is invited to join us on the webcam.



Confirmation Swords & Thornleigh ETNS

On Saturday 29th August at 12 noon we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for Swords & Thornleigh ETN Schools. Under public restrictions we will only be able to have the person making their Confirmation, their sponsor and two adults in the Church. We ask other family members to stay at home and join us on the webcam on www.brackentown-parish.com.

This years preparation is vastly different than previous years and not at all what any of us expected. The parish team will be in touch with the families next week. We wish the boys and girls every blessing as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and as they journey towards secondary school.



The capacity for the Church remains at 90 people. The 11am Mass has been full for the past two weeks. We will have a sound system installed so that you can listen from outside the Church if necessary from this Sunday. Holy Communion will also be distributed outside. If at all possible, we **strongly urge you** to consider coming along to another weekend Mass where there is more availability.

PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING WHEN COMING TO THE CHURCH

Face coverings help prevent people who do not know they have the virus from spreading it to others. You are asked to wear one when attending Masses. You should still do the important things, such as keeping social distance and practicing good respiratory etiquette that are necessary to prevent the spread of the virus. If you have any underlying medical condition or if you are sick in any way (such as having a cold or infection) please stay at home. You may receive the Eucharistic after each Mass outside the Church.



BRACKENSTOWN PARISH First Holy Communion 2020

Sunday, September 13th at 2.30pm
St. Cronan's JNS - Ms. O'Brien

Saturday, September 19th at 11am
Swords & Thornleigh Educate Together

Saturday, September 19th at 2.30pm
St. Cronan's JNS - Ms. Quinn

Sunday, September 20th at 2.30pm
St. Cronan's JNS - Ms. Kavanagh

Saturday, September 26th
Gaelscoil Briain Boroimhe
11am - Muinteoir Dean

2.30pm - Muinteoir Roisin

Saturday, October 3rd at 11am
St. Cronan's JNS - Ms. Smyth

Saturday, October 3rd at 2.30pm
St. Cronan's JNS - Mr. Bailey

ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE OFFERED FOR INTENTIONS

George Daly (2A)
Mary Tormey (A)
Colin Green (A)
Jack & May Hughes (A)

PRAY FOR

Alicia Alcorn (RD)
Gerry Kenny (1A)
Diana Ukuta (5A)
Catherine McNally (A)
Kenneth Reagan (A)
Baby Sophie Lyons (A)
Patrick Parkinson (A) & his granddaughter Andrea Fitzgerald (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Christy Hanley (RD)
Tues: Special Intention
Wed: Special Intention
Thur: Special Intention
Fri: Eileen Amis (A)
Sat: Ted O'Kane (MM)

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

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MASS TIMES

- MONDAY:** 10am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer (*online*)
- TUESDAY:** 10am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer (*online*)
- WEDNESDAY:** 10am Mass
7pm Eucharistic Adoration
8pm Guided Prayer
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer (*online*)
- THURSDAY:** 10am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer (*online*)
- FRIDAY:** 10am Mass
2pm - 4pm Adoration
7.30pm Taizé Prayer of the Cross (*online*)
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer (*online*)
- SATURDAY:** 10am Mass
6:30pm Mass (*Vigil*)
10.45am - 12 noon Confession
(*for Confession, please take a seat in the Hospitality Area of the Pastoral Centre and you will be called*)
- SUNDAY:** 9am Mass
11am Mass (*Loud Speaker Outside*)
4pm - 5pm Adoration
5:30pm Mass

(The 12:30pm Mass is suspended for the time being)

**All Masses and Services are broadcast online
via the parish website on
www.brackenstown-parish.com**

**All weekend Masses are offered for the Intentions that
are been booked in the diary for that weekend**

Many people are still cocooning or would prefer not to attend Mass in person for the time being. If you would like to receive Holy Communion, a priest is available from after 10am Mass daily until 11am in the Pastoral Centre and on Sunday from 12.30pm - 1pm in the Pastoral Centre. If you cannot leave your home, please contact the Parish Office at 8401188 and we can arrange for Holy Communion to be brought to you on a weekly basis.



Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

READINGS FOR 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: IS 55:1-3

PSALM: 145

2nd Reading: ROM 8:35, 37-39

Gospel: MT 14:13-21

*Praying with
God's Word*

New Sanctuary Furniture

So far €23,270.78 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.

COLLECTIONS VIA THE DONATE BUTTON

Over the past couple of months our Parish, like many institutions, businesses and families has faced extra financial challenges and this will continue for some time to come. Sincere thanks to all who have supported the parish financially in these difficult times.

Donations to the Family Offering, First & Second collections and towards the new church furniture can be made online by using the 'Donate' button on the Parish website www.brackenstown-parish.com.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

This is just a reminder of how the various Church collections are managed:

PLANNED GIVING/ENVELOPE COLLECTION: This is the main source of income for our Parish, and the only money retained by the parish. The salaries of parish employees, office expenses, on-going repairs and improvements to the Church, candles, bread, wine, missalettes, books and many other expenses are paid for totally from the Parish Family Offering Fund. If you would like to contribute to the Family Offering, you can do so on the 'Donate' button on the parish website, set up a standing order or have a box of Family Offering Envelopes. For these last two options, please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST COLLECTION: This collection pays our priests and the priests of the Diocese, including those who are retired or sick.

SHARE COLLECTION: In addition to supporting poorer parishes, *Share* also funds pastoral supports for mission and evangelisation through services provided to parishes by our Diocesan Offices and Agencies.

If you would like to contribute to the First or Share Collections, you can do so on the 'Donate' button on the parish website, set up a standing order or have a box of First/Second Collection Envelopes. For these last two options, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you most sincerely for your continued generous contributions to your priests, parish and diocese.

Message of Hope



Framed pictures of Our Lady (€5) and battery candles (€6), each having **Pope Francis Prayer for Protection from the Coronavirus** are available in the Parish Centre.

All other religious items, including First Communion Prayer Books, Beads etc, can be purchased in the Parish Centre after weekend Masses (not Sunday 5:30pm) or obtained by contacting a member of Legion of Mary or emailing the Parish Office.

Catholic Papers & Magazines

Are available as usual in the new bookrack at the back of the Church.

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