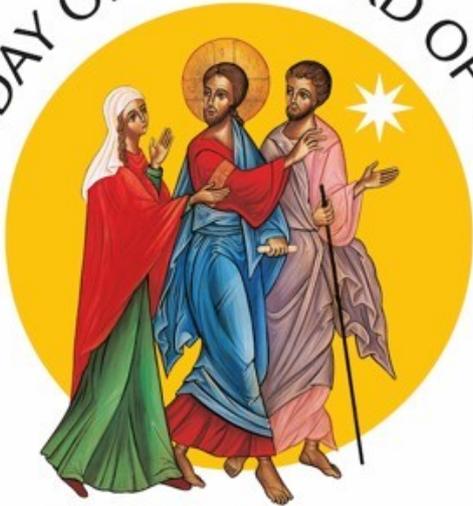


CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ✠ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

Parish Newsletter

26th January 2020 ✠ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ Year A

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD



THE WORD—A Feast!!

Pope Francis has declared this Sunday “The Sunday of the Word of God for Catholics”, just after the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The day of this new announcement was the feast of Saint Jerome, who translated the Bible into Latin, and who famously said: “Not to know the Scriptures is not to know Christ”.

“I love my old Bible, which has accompanied me half my life. It has been with me in my times of joy and times of tears. It is my most precious treasure,” said Pope Francis. “I live out of it, and I wouldn’t give anything in the world for it.” (Pope Francis to young people).

“The Bible is not meant to be placed on a shelf, but to be in your hands, to read often – every day, both on your own and together with others.” (Pope Francis)

Pope Francis is passionate about Jesus Christ and passionate about the Word of God and invites us to read the Word of God for ourselves. He hopes it will help us to encounter Christ and catch again the energy and vision of the very first believers.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK begins on Monday 27th January and we will welcome the children of St. Cronan’s Senior School who will join us for Mass each morning of that week . On Tuesday 28th January, Children from St Cronan SNS will sing at the Laudate Festival in Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join them.



Catholic Schools Week 2020

26 January – 2 February 2020

Living in Harmony
with God’s Creation



PARKINSON’S GROUP

In St. Cronan’s Pastoral Centre

Exercise Class With Sielbleu

on Tuesday 28th JANUARY from 12 noon

The next meeting is Tuesday 4th February at 11am

Followed by Exercise Class with Sielbleu

Tea & coffee available from 10:30am. All Welcome!

Community Choir



If you are interested in being part of our fantastic community choir and fulfilling your choral ambitions, we would love to hear from you! Come along for practice on Wednesday evenings, from 7pm to 8pm in the Meeting Room at Parish Centre. We have a lovely group of members and would love to see it grow! Everybody most welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Humpty Dumpty Playgroup has been running successfully in St. Cronan’s Parish Centre with the generous help of volunteers. Forge new bonds with like-minded people who are also generous in community spirit. Thursdays from 9:45am to 11:45am. If you would like to help, contact Katia @ 0896067037 for more details.



Family Mass Group: The Family Mass Group looks after the 12.30pm Mass on Sunday. New adult volunteers are needed Mass. If you would like to help, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm:	John Hughes (A)
9:00am:	Altar List of the Dead and Intentions of Parish
11:00am:	June Daly (A)
12:30pm:	June O’Hare (A)
5:30pm:	David Carroll (11A)

PRAY FOR

Sr. Marie Galvin (RD)
Robbie Barnwell (RD)
Margaret Pawley (BR)
Barbara McGuirk (A)
Bernard & Margaret O’Reilly (A)
Rita Logan (1A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon:	Poor Clare Sisters Pray for: Margaret Pawley (BR)
Tues:	James & Winifred Kirwan (A)
Wed:	Richard & Eva Kearns (A) Pray for: Martin Maughan (BR)
Thur:	Special Intention
Fri:	Kathleen McDonnell (A)
Sat:	Special Intention

Dates for your Diary in 2020

Pre-Confirmation Masses	25th & 26th January	6:30 & 12:30
Confirmation	13th & 14th February	St. Cronan's
Confirmation	5th March	GSBB
Lent Retreat	17th—21st March	
Confirmation	25th April	ETNS
First Holy Communion	9th May (10:00 & 12:00)	St. Cronans
First Holy Communion	16th May (10:00)	GSBB
First Holy Communion	16th May (12:00)	ETNS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



As there are no baptisms during the Season of Lent, the next date for Baptism in St. Cronan's Church is Sunday, April 12th (Easter Sunday)

BRING & BUY

CUIDIÚ

Are holding a

BRING & BUY SALE

With BAKE SALE

In St. Cronan's Parish Centre

On Sunday 2nd February from 1pm

This is a Bring & Buy Fundraiser with Bake Sale for Cuidiú, so why not bring along your nearly new items to sell and buy something that's already on display!



Laudate Festival: The Laudate Festival will be celebrated in four venues in the Archdiocese of Dublin during **Catholic Schools Week**. A large choir of children from schools in the diocese will take part with 500-1000 in each venue, leading in song and prayer. The festival nights are joyful and reflective gatherings celebrating the gift of faith.

This is for everyone to enjoy and is free for all parents, families, friends and parishioners.

- Church of St Agnes, Crumlin on Monday 27 January at 7.00 – 8.15pm
- Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road on Tuesday 28 January at 7.00-8.15pm
- Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan on Wednesday 29 January at 7.00 – 8.15pm
- St Pius X, Templeogue on Thursday 30 January at 7.00 – 8.15pm

FAMILY OFFERING

We thank all those parishioners who support the running of the parish through the Parish Family Offering fund.

November Standing Order: €3,310 Family Offering €677.85
 December Standing Order: €3,719 1st Collection €1505.41 (Tax €346.26)
 Share Collection €1188.37 (Tax €223.10)

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.

HELPERS

Glasmore Park, Swords Manor and other areas of the Parish—New helpers needed to deliver the Alive! Catholic newspaper. If you could give 20-30 minutes a month you could do great work to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Enquire at the Legion of Mary table after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses or leave your contact number with Louise in the Parish Office.

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Honour the Mother of God this year with the Rosary. Let us help you get started by having the Rosary Statue in your home. Just leave your contact details with a member of the Legion of Mary in the main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Mass and suitable arrangements will be made for you.

CALENDARS

Church Art, Calendars, children's books, colouring books, rosary beads etc. as well as many other religious items available 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!



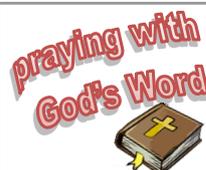
'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

World Day of the Sick 2020

The World Day of the Sick Seminar will take place on Saturday, February 8th from 9.30am to 1.00pm in the Newtown Parish Pastoral Centre, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock, Co Dublin.

This year's theme is on *Hope in the Face of Suicide*. The World Day of the Sick Mass will take place on Sunday 9th February at 3.00pm in Church of the Guardian Angels, Newtontownpark Avenue, Blackrock.

For further information please contact - Trish Conway on M: 087 6220349.



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Is 8:23-9:3-1

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

Gospel: Mt 4:12-23

New Sanctuary Furniture

So far €11,505.00 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.

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

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