

Parish Newsletter

27th September 2020 26th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A



Ivan Mather went to school in St. Cronan's Junior & Senior Schools and received his Communion and Confirmation in Brackenstown parish. He received his habit in Cork on Monday 14th September. He has decided to take the name Brother Philip after St Philip Neri. Brother Philip began this week along with three other novices to the Dominican Order in St. Mary's Dominican Church, Cork with Br. Michael, Br. Desmond and Br. Sean. May they be blessed as they begin their journey of formation in the service of God.

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, send workers into your harvest.
 May the Spirit we received in baptism
 Touch the hearts of many
 To offer themselves in priesthood, religious life
 And other forms of service.
 Give the parents and families of our diocese
 The wisdom and courage to support young people
 In searching for and following the call of God in their lives.
 AMEN

Diocesan Safeguarding Day

The fourth Sunday in September is Safeguarding Sunday. It is an ideal opportunity to let our parishioners know of the great work going on to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. As Pope Francis has said "Families need to know that the Church is making every effort to protect their children"

Our Diocesan Safeguarding Policy clearly outlines the policies and procedures that all parishes must have in place to safeguard children. Should anyone want a copy of this document, it can be downloaded from the Dublin Diocesan Child Safeguarding & Protection Service website or alternatively, you can contact any member of the Parish team, who in turn will email you a copy. The measures that we put in place in this parish, as in all parishes in the diocese, to keep children and vulnerable adults safe are the following:

- Adopting a child centered approach, which involves valuing children and demonstrating our respect for them
- Obtaining the consent of parents for the involvement of their children in parish activities
- Choosing carefully those who work with children and vulnerable adults in our parish
- Ensuring parish workers and volunteers behave appropriately towards children and vulnerable adults.
- Making proper arrangements for activities involving children, including ensuring adequate adult supervision of such activities
- Keeping good records of parish activities involving children.

If anyone wishes to discuss any concern regarding child safeguarding and protection within our Church please contact:

Local Parish Safeguarding Representatives
 Mary-Liz Donaghue, Nicola Gregan &
 Colette Burke can be contacted on 01 840 1188

Archdiocese of Dublin Child Safeguarding and Protection Office

Designated Person: Andrew Fagan
 01 8360314 / 087 685 3180
 andrew.fagan@dublindiocese.ie

Garda Síochána Swords 01 666 4700

Other Helpful Contacts:

Tusla	01 870 8000
Samaritans Helpline	1850 609090
ISPCC	01 6767960
One in Four	016624070
Dublin Rape Crisis Centre	1800778 888
Child Line	1850 666 666
Towards Healing Helpline	1800 303 416
Children At Risk in Ireland	1890 924 567
Barnados	1850 222 300

Brackenstown Parish Church

Safeguarding & Protection Statement

We the Parish of Brackenstown value and encourage the participation of children and young people in Parish liturgies and activities in order to enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development.

We recognise the dignity and rights of all children and young people and are committed to ensuring their protection from all forms of abuse and exploitation. In keeping with this we will do all in our power to create safe environments for children and young people in order to secure their protection and enable their full participation in the life of the Parish. This is a commitment binding on all Priests and on all those who work and volunteer in this Parish.

Child Protection Code of Conduct

Within the Parish of St. Cronan's, Brackenstown:

- Children and young people will be treated with courtesy, respect and dignity
- Children and young people (under eighteen years of age) will not be permitted to consume alcohol or smoke while participating in activities organised by or under the control of the Parish
- There will be an adequate ratio of leaders to children and young people at all times
- Care will be taken to ensure that when working with mixed gender groups, staff and adult volunteers of appropriate gender will work in pairs
- Leaders (over the age of eighteen) will not consume alcohol or smoke while in the presence of children or young people
- Inappropriate language or sexually suggestive comments will not be permitted by children or young people
- Physical contact between children or young people and leaders will be appropriate at all times. Leaders will not engage in rough play or undertake any task of a personal nature with / for children or young people, except in cases of medical necessity when the welfare of the child or young person depends on it
- Leaders will always engage with children or young people in an open manner and care will be taken not to show favouritism
- There will be clearly designated leaders within each group with whom children and young people can speak about their experiences and raise any concerns should they arise

ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL BE OFFERED FOR INTENTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN BOOKED

Jim & May McKay (A)
 John Murphy (A)
 Helen Whelan (17A)
 John Joe, Eileen & Sean Lynch
 & Anna Nessmann (A)

PRAY FOR

Fr. John Wall (RD)
 Ita McArdle (A)
 Vincent Cox (11A)
 Nathan & Daniel Maughan (Rem)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon:	Jack & Teresa Goulding (A) & Dcsd Family Members
Tues:	Dcsd Family Members of Lennon Family
Wed:	Thomas Reid (A) Pray for: Tommy Crosbie (1A)
Thur:	Matt Behan & Angela Mlsek (A)
Fri:	Rose Howard (A)
Sat:	John Joseph Behan (MM)

The Crosbie Family would like to thank everyone for their well wishes and support in their recent loss of Douglas Crosbie (RIP). A special thanks to Fr. Paul for his kindness at this time and also to Eilish and the Bingo Team for their recent fundraiser. A Mass will be celebrated for your intentions.

MASS TIMES

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 have been booked in the diary

- MONDAY:** 10:00am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer
- TUESDAY:** 10:00am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer
- WEDNESDAY:** 10am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer
- THURSDAY:** 10:00am Mass
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer
- FRIDAY:** 10:00am Mass
7.30pm Taizé Prayer of the Cross
8:30pm Rosary & Night Prayer
- SATURDAY:** 10:00am Mass
6:30pm Mass (*Vigil*)
- SUNDAY:** 9:00am Mass
11:00am Mass
5:30pm Mass

This Timetable is subject to change over the coming weeks

Standing Order donations & collections for 14/09/20 are as follows:
July - €5,257
August - €3,470
Family Offering - €705.79
First Collection - €769.45
Share Collection - €586.58

Many thanks to all our parishioners who donate to the parish finances.

New Sanctuary Furniture

So far €23,564.99 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.

ALONE

Supporting older people
to age at home

COVID-19/ CORONAVIRUS
HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

0818 222 024

TO VOLUNTEER YOUR HELP, VISIT

www.alone.ie

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE are a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Brackenstown

Bible Study Group

Invite you to join us in our reading of the letters of St Paul.

Our Autumn Scripture Study classes will commence on

Monday 5th October and over the next 3 weeks we will read Paul's early letters, 1 & 2 Thessalonians.

This will be followed by a 4 week study of St Paul's letter to the Romans.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic the study will be home based. There will be an optional Zoom, on-line group discussion/questions and answers facility available from 7.30 to 8.30pm each Monday night. For more details please email Paddy at pobyrne50@gmail.com.

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.**



First Holy Communion Prayer Books, Beads

etc., and other religious items can be purchased after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses, in the Parish Centre, or obtained by contacting a member of Legion of Mary or the Parish Office.

Message of Hope

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



Catholic Papers & Magazines

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



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

READINGS FOR 26th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Ez 18:25-28
PSALM: Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2nd Reading: Phil 2:1-11
Gospel: Mt 21:28-32

*Praying with
God's Word*

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



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