

Parish Newsletter

24th February 2019 ✠ Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time ✠ Year C



St. Cronan's SNS Sacrament of Confirmation



SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

6:30pm: Stephen O'Gorman (A)
9:00am: **Altar List**
11:00am: Gabriel Murphy and Deceased Family Members
12:30pm: Nora Corcoran (A)
5:30pm: Harry and Joan Mills

PRAY FOR

John & Margaret Murtagh;
Michael & Bridget Kelly;
Mai Shinnars;
Patricia Keane;
Madge, Josie, David, Noel &
Barry Hickey & Deceased
Family Members;
Margaret Morandeira (A)

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

Mon: Pat Tierney (Recently Deceased)
Tues: Special Intention
Pray for Nathan Maughan
Wed: Catherine White
Thur: Marian Movement for Priests
Fri Joseph, Bridget & Michael Costello
Pray for Kevin Harford (A)
Sat: Martin Curran Jnr (Month's Mind)

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PARISH DIARY

DATE	EVENT
MONTH OF FEBRUARY	
25th @ 7.30pm	First Confession Meeting for Parents from St. Cronan's JNS Ms. Manton, Ms. Ryan & Ms. Lehany
26th @ 7.30pm	First Confession Meeting for Parents from St. Cronan's JNS Ms. Hargadon, Ms. Hanratty, Ms. McSweeney & Ms. McLoughlin
28th @ 11am	Aifreann an Chóineartaithe Sacrament of Confirmation Gaelscoil Briain Boroimhe
March 6th	Ash Wednesday
THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE	

BAKE SALE




CAKE SALE
IN AID OF
SWORDS MANOR U11'S

SUNDAY 10TH MARCH
PASTORAL CENTRE,
BRACKENSTOWN CHURCH
STARTING AFTER 10AM MASS

ALSO ON SALE ON THE DAY,
TICKETS FOR MOTHERS DAY
HAMPER & FLOWERS

Come - everything is ready!



**ST COLMCILLES CHURCH
SWORDS
7.30 P.M.**

Women's World Day of Prayer
written by the women of Slovenia
1st March 2019



MEDITATION AND RELAXATION
BRACKENSTOWN PASTORAL CENTRE

STARTING: FRIDAYS 8TH MARCH 2019 ;
10.45AM TO 11.45AM;

COST: €5.00

'AN HOUR OF STILLNESS CALM AND PEACE'

FACILITORS: ANN CULLEN(087 6138680)
& DENISE KIELY (086 0610463)

EMMANUEL 2019 The countdown is on to this fantastic annual music festival of faith for young people! This year, over 2500 students have been busy rehearsing. Loreto Swords are taking part on Wednesday, February 27 at 7.30pm. You are invited to come & support your local school in what is always an uplifting and energising experience

LIFE IN THE EUCHARIST

Over five Tuesdays in Lent (beginning on March 12th), there will be a Retreat on the Eucharist held in the Parish Centre. As Catholics, we are called to participate in the Eucharist and in the life of the Church. Life in the Eucharist (LITE) provides for an opportunity for adults Catholics to share their faith. LITE was developed to help people learn more about our role as active participants in the Eucharist. There are five sessions, each concentrating on a different theme. The sessions are structured as an adult learning programme, so there is time for group discussion as well as input by the members of the LITE team.

All are welcome to come along. There is a special invitation to people who come along to weekly Mass but would like to deepen their understanding of what Eucharist is all about. For more info or to book your place, please contact the Parish Office or email niamh.morris@dublindiocese.ie



BRACKENSTOWN PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Friday 13 - Saturday 21 September 2019
Led by Fr. Paul Thornton



This very special pilgrimage will commence with a direct flight which will take you from Dublin to Tel Aviv in just under 6 hours. You then begin your Pilgrimage in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee from where you will visit Cana, Mount Tabor, Capernaum & Nazareth. A drive through the Jordan Valley will take you to Jerusalem where you will visit the Old City and all the main sites of interest & to Bethlehem where you will have an opportunity to visit the Church of the Nativity & see the Shepherds Fields.

Highlights

- Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus
- Mount of Beatitudes and Mount Tabor
- Boat trip on the Sea of Galilee & Capernaum
- Visit to the Holy Sepulchre
- Birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem
- Nazareth and Cana

What is Included

- Direct flights Dublin – Tel Aviv return
- Airport taxes and charges
- 8 nights accommodation, twin sharing in Royal Plaza, Tiberius and Ramat Rachel, Jerusalem
- Dinner, bed and breakfast basis throughout
- Transfers and coaching as per programme
- Entrance fees where applicable, including Masada
- Porterage at airport and hotels
- Expert local guide throughout the Pilgrimage

The COST OF THE PILGRIMAGE IS €1,765
Deposit of €250 required by the end of February
For more information or to make a booking,
please contact the Parish Office



Next Parent Meeting is
MARCH 7th
Next dates for Baptisms:
MARCH 9th

Please note one Month's Notice to be given & a copy of baby's Birth Cert is required when booking a Baptism.

Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for this Sunday & the following Sunday:

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;

Responsorial Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:45-49; Gospel: Lk 6:27-38

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sir 27:4-7; Responsorial Psalm: 92:2-3,

13-14, 15-16; Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:54-58; Gospel: Lk 6:39-45



FAMILY OFFERING

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

January Standing Order €n/a

Family Offering: €573.81

Annals/Half Yearly - n/a

All of the above contributions are recorded for the tax rebate.

Collections at the weekend Masses

First Collection: €1,387.05 (Tax: €330)

ACCORD Collection: €2210 (Tax: €345.55)

Blood Donor Clinic: The Bloodbank will be in Fingallians GAA Club, Lawless Memorial Park on Wed 27th February and Thurs 28th Feb from 2.30pm – 5pm and 7 – 9pm. For further information please go to www.giveblood.ie

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.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Join us for our monthly Patrician Meeting which takes place on Thursday next 28th February at 8:00 pm in the Pastoral Centre.

The title of this month's discussion is **"The importance of the Fatima message to our Family"**. This discussion is open to everyone. Spiritual Director will speak on the subject.

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who came to Rosary at the Grotto on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. There was a good attendance on the day despite the cold weather

HELPERS NEEDED

Do you live in St. Cronan's Estate or Swords Manor? New Helpers are needed to deliver the "Alive!" Catholic paper in these areas. If you could give **20 - 30 minutes a month** you could do great work to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Please contact a member of the 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.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation gifts, cards, medals, souvenirs etc. available from Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening & Sunday morning Masses.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK FOR OUR LADY ?

Why not do something new this Lent? The Legion of Mary needs new members to help bring Jesus to more people. **Adult meetings** – Tuesdays 10:30 am in Sisters' House and Wednesdays 7:30 pm in old Parish Office. **Junior meeting** – Fridays at 4:45 pm also in the old Parish Office. Why not come and see what you can do!



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

Rise and Shine

This Lent

Imagine if hundreds of men at your parish stepped-up and journeyed together, held each other accountable, and committed to becoming better husbands, fathers, brothers... it would literally change your parish, and the world. Parishes around the world are using RISE as a tool to strengthen and engage all men, even those who will never come to a group study. Parish leaders may review it for free and see the real-time impact it's having on men's lives. RISE is the brainchild of



Chris Stefanick (of Real Life Catholic), Bill Donaghy (of the Theology of the Body Institute) and Cardinal Studios. It is a 30-day challenge to men everywhere to start reclaiming their true identity in Christ and their role in the world. So, what is involved? Essentially, it's 30 days of videos and challenges done individually online, and with addi-

tional group meeting options using the Planning Guide available on the website also. Each day has a short video and practical content for dealing with the unprecedented challenges that men face today. Although RISE is a self-directed program, it is set up with the intention of a group of men journeying through the program together,

offering encouragement, prayer and fellowship. Each man is encouraged to do RISE with a "brother."

This is a critical component to the challenge as it builds accountability and friendship based on a common mission. Archbishop Chaput of Philadelphia has said that "RISE is precisely what is needed today to help men understand and live their unique mission in the world." The archbishop added, "if every man took the challenge, we'd see a transformation in our homes and parishes."

See more about RISE in this week's Cornerstone.

Quote of the week

Jesus asks us to produce just one work of art, which is possible for everyone: that of our own life.

– Pope Francis



Challenge:

This week, invest in making your life a work of art which aims to show the wider world both the joy and glory of Jesus' life.

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Please do not hesitate to call us should you need our advice or expertise.

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