

# CHURCH OF ST. CRONAN ✠ BRACKENSTOWN PARISH

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

2nd July 2017 ✠ 13th Sunday ✠ Year A



**PETER'S  
PENCE**

**Support Pope Francis**

Pontifical Charities | Peter's Pence Collection

**July 2nd 2017**



*“Charity, or love, is a life choice, a way of being and of living;  
it is the path of humility and solidarity.”*

*There is no other path for this love: so be humble and solid.”*  
- Pope Francis

Archdiocese of Dublin

Today, we take up the Peter's Pence collection, which is one of the oldest collections in Church history. It is an initiative by Catholics from all over the world which allows Pope Francis to carry out his mandate, taking part in works of mercy.

The message of Pope Francis from the beginning of his pontificate has consistently been about a Church which reaches outwards - he challenges the entire Church to become witnesses to Jesus the Good Shepherd.

The success of Pope Francis' agenda depends on us, the missionary disciples of Jesus Christ, and how far we are willing to make his agenda truly our own and bring it into life in the world around us; in family, at work, in society, in politics, in the fight to defend the poor, the exploited and the marginalised.

Please give generously to this collection as a sign of gratitude and recognition of the work of Pope Francis.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

## MASS INTENTIONS

**6:30pm:** Miriam & Henry Arthurs (A)  
**9:00am:** Altar List of the Dead  
**11:00pm:** Mary (May) Daly (2nd A)  
**12:30pm:** Dr. Joe Cox (A)  
**5:30pm:** James McGrath (A)

## PRAY FOR

Mary & Bernadette  
Leggett (A)  
Margaret Minto (10th A)  
Paddy King (5th A)  
Petronilla Abbrescia (RD)

## MASSES NEXT WEEK

**Mon:** Teresa Kane (RD)  
**Tues:** Irene O'Keeffe (4th A) &  
Andy & Mary O'Connor (A)  
**Wed:** Bridget & Frank McGetrick (A)  
**Thurs:** Special Intention  
**Fri:** Aissi August (RD)  
**Sat:**

**Please take this Newsletter home**



# Interested in Learning About Your Faith?



**THE PRIORY INSTITUTE**  
A Dominican Centre for Theological Studies

## ONLINE SUMMER SCHOOL

**THE SACRAMENTS:** Starting to think Theologically about these Great Mysteries.

Application deadline 6th July.

Tel: 01 404 8124 / Email: [summer.school@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:summer.school@prioryinstitute.com) / Web: [www.prioryinstitute.com](http://www.prioryinstitute.com)

### PATHWAYS - EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY

#### An Adult Faith Development Programme

The programme begins this year in Clonliffe College on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September from 7.00p.m. – 9.30 p.m.). Booking is now open. Places are limited so early application is advisable. *Pathways* is a two-year one night a week course for adults of all ages wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Some sponsorship may be available for those of limited means.

For more information please visit your webpage: [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) or contact:

Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD, Director, Pathways Programme,  
Clonliffe College, Clonliffe Road, Dublin, DO3 P2E7.

Phone: 01 8379253 Ext 294

Email: [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie)



A new programme in spirituality is being offered in partnership with Lumen – Dominican Centre, Sion Hill Campus, Blackrock, Co. Dublin. This Adult Education Certificate in Spirituality is a two-year part-time programme which takes place on Thursday evenings from 7.00 – 9.30pm and on six Saturdays each year. The programme begins on 28 September 2017. It is an exciting and spiritually enriching programme open to all, and no prior learning is required.

For further information contact: Anne Ryan

[anneryanflanagan@gmail.com](mailto:anneryanflanagan@gmail.com) or on 086 884 3652.



## NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

As we journey towards forming a new Parish Pastoral Council, we invite you to pray for its success with this Prayer of Discernment.

**All Loving and Gracious God,  
You know my inmost thoughts  
and You are familiar  
with all my ways.  
You have blessed me  
with many gifts and talents.  
Give me a share of Your wisdom,  
show me Your truth, and reveal to  
me the secrets of my own heart.  
May I have the courage to look  
honestly and deeply  
at the reality of my life,  
so that I can faithfully follow You.  
Help me to see in myself  
what You see,  
and give me  
the courage to uncover  
both my strengths & weaknesses,  
to know and follow  
Your will for me  
each and every day of my life.  
Bless Your Church  
with generous hearts,  
eager to serve Your people  
and to spread Your Word. Amen.**

## FAITH 4 LIFE

Deepening the connection  
between Faith and Life

The course is run  
over four  
weekends

The experience of  
Faith 4 Life will benefit everyone who  
wants a deeper connection between  
their faith and daily lives.

**21-22 October 2017**  
Called to become...  
Human & Holy

**2-3 December 2017**  
Called to become...  
Centred on the  
Word of God

**20-21 January 2018**  
Called to become...  
Church in and  
for the World

**3-4 March 2018**  
Called to...  
Live Faithfully

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### VENUE, DATES & TIMES

Holy Cross College,  
Clonliffe Road,  
Drumcondra, Dublin 9

**Dates 2017:**

**Saturday 21 October**  
9.30am-4.30pm &  
**Sunday 22 October**  
9.30am-1.30pm

**Saturday 2 December**  
9.30am-4.30pm &  
**Sunday 3 December**  
9.30am-1.30pm

**Dates 2018:**

**Saturday 20 January**  
9.30am-4.30pm &  
**Sunday 21 January**  
9.30am-1.30pm

**Saturday 3 March**  
9.30am-4.30pm &  
**Sunday 4 March**  
9.30am-1.30pm

This course has been designed, and is delivered,  
through a partnership agreement between the  
Archdioceses of Dublin and Liverpool.  
Upon completion, participants will be  
awarded a Certificate of Achievement.

Further details and application forms  
are available at:

W: [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie)  
T: 01 8373732 – ext 246/247  
E: [evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie)

YOUTH 2000

## YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

17TH - 20TH AUGUST 2017

DONATION ONLY • FREE BUSES • AGES 16-35 • AMAZING EXPERIENCE

COME CLOSER, HEAR MY WORD

17th - 20th August 2017; Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co  
Tipperary for young people aged 16-35. The festival is  
donation only. Free buses travelling from all around  
Ireland. More info: [www.youth2000.ie/](http://www.youth2000.ie/) Tel 01 6753690



## School Uniform Appeal

The St Vincent De Paul shop in Swords would greatly appreciate new/used wearable school uniforms (skirts, shirts, tracksuits, jumpers, trousers, shoes, bags etc.) from both Primary and Secondary schoolchildren. Please donate items to our shop, 1 Castle Shopping Centre, Swords (Tel: 01 8400752) All donations greatly received and turned into much needed funds. Shop open Monday to Saturday 10am-5.30pm. Free car park available. Sales in July.



# CEMETERY MASSES / PRAYERS in JULY & AUGUST

Sunday 2nd July	3:00pm	Dardistown Cemetery	Mass
Sunday 2nd July	12:00pm	Balgriffin	Mass
Sunday 2nd July	4:00pm	Lusk	Mass
Sunday 9th July	3:30pm	Rolestown	Mass
Sunday 16th July	3:30pm	Donabate	Mass
Sunday 23rd July	4:00pm	Balbriggan	Mass
Sunday 6th August	4:00pm	Grallagh	Prayers
Tuesday 15th August	8:00pm	Garristown	Prayers
Tuesday 15th August	7:00pm	Ballyboughal	Prayers

# DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Each year sick pilgrims travel with the Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes. Many of these people could not do so except for the generosity of the parish communities. If you would like to contribute to the Sick Pilgrims' Section of the Pilgrimage you can do so on week-end of **16th/17th July**. You will be prayed for during the pilgrimage.

## EASY EVANGELISATION!

If you could give 20-30 minutes per month, you could do a lot to spread the Good News. **Help needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish...**eg Ormond, Knocksedan, Ashton, Castlevew etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone no. with Louise in parish office.



## 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 one hour with me? We encourage new people to come and join us.

## THE ROSARY - MAKE A NEW BEGINNING!

Many people have forgotten how to say the rosary and would like a little help. It is simple... arrange to have the Rosary Statue in your home for a week and you will get that help. Prayer is of vital importance in our lives. At Fatima Our Lady asked us to pray the Rosary. Why not make a new start? Just leave your name & contact details with a member of Legion of Mary (in main porch) after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses and arrangements will be made to suit you.

**f 'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords**

## FAMILY OFFERING

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

**May Standing Order €3,865**  
**Outdoor Collection €717.82**  
**Annals/Half Yearly €300.00**

## BINGO

**Every Sunday in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm**  
**Doors open at 7:30pm - Everyone welcome!**



## Praying with God's Word

Below are the readings for 2nd & 3rd Sundays of Easter:

**13th Sunday Ordinary Time:** First Reading 2 Kings (2 Kgs) 4:8-11, 14-16; 2nd Reading 1<sup>st</sup> Letter to Romans (Rm) 6:3-4, 8-11; Gospel Matthew (Mt) 10:37-42

**14th Sunday Ordinary Time:** First Reading Zechariah (Zec) 9:9-10; 2nd Reading Romans (Rm) 8:9, 11-13; Gospel Matthew (Mt) 11:25-30



The next Parent Meeting is **Thursday 3rd August**

**Next dates for Baptisms:**

**Saturday 5th July 12:30 pm**  
**Sunday 27th July 1:45 pm**

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



# WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

We need a diverse mix of people with various skills and experiences to ensure the success of this event. Whatever your reasons or your focus, we know your skills and experience can help us and we would welcome your support in helping us create a successful, historic and joyous event.

To get involved you will need to meet the criteria and complete an online application form at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer).



A very sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who supported the Cake Sale on Father's Day, in the Pastoral Centre. We are delighted to announce that a grand total of €912.19 was raised, in support of Rovena, who will go on a youth pilgrimage to Fatima this August, with the St. Andrew's Community. This year we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady Of Fatima. Please know, you will all be included in our prayers and masses during the youth pilgrimage. We are extremely grateful to you, for supporting our young teens on their faith journey! We hope all the Father's had a wonderful Father's Day!



## PARISH DIARY

DATE	EVENT
JULY 2017	
1ST - 8TH	PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO CAMINO
9TH	FR. JOSEPH'S FAREWELL MASS

THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Mass Times:

### Weekday Mass:

### Holyday Mass:

### Confession:

**Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,**  
**Fr. Joseph Njanackal, C.S.T., C.C.**  
**Peter Siney, Pastoral Worker**  
**Louise Donnelly, Secretary**

Sunday: 6:30pm (Sat. Vigil); 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm  
 Monday to Saturday 10:00am  
 Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am  
 Saturday 10:30am to 11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm  
 After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday  
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 01 8408926 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com  
 089 4614226 – peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie  
 01 8401188 – brackenstownparish@gmail.com  
 Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm



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## CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

**8/9 July**  
**VDP Monthly Collection**

**15/16 July**  
**Lourdes Pilgrimage**

