



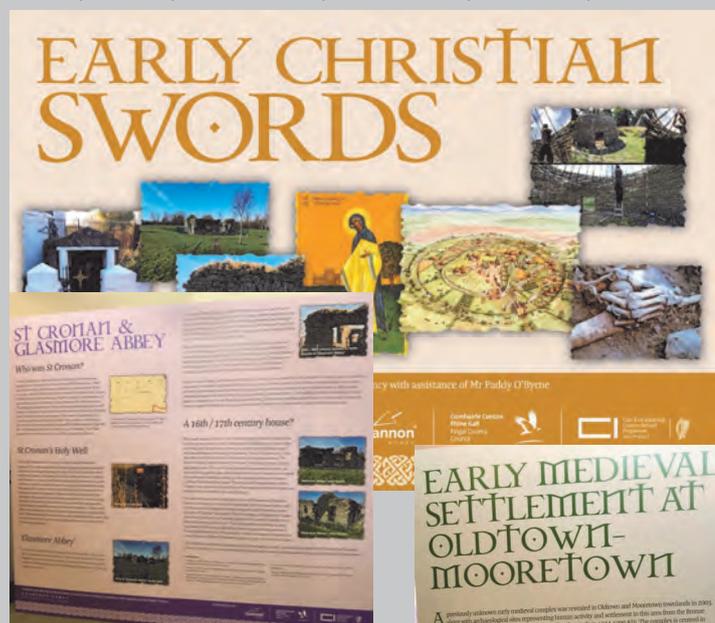
# Parish Newsletter

21st April 2018 ✕ 4th Sunday of Easter ✕ Year B

## Early Christian Swords Exhibition

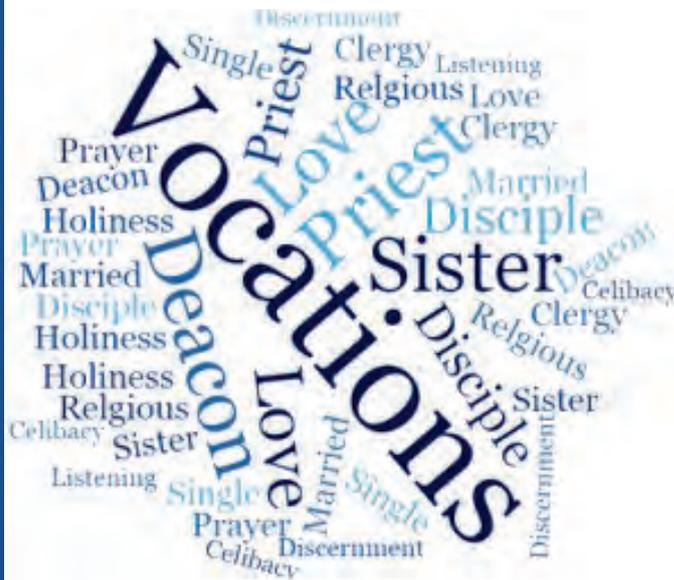
14th - 27th April - Admission Free

The exhibition continues throughout this week and will finish on Friday 27th April. Volunteers are needed to ensure that we can keep the Pastoral Centre open during lunchtime to enable people to view the exhibition. Would you be able to help out one day from 12.45 to 2.15? If so please leave your details with Louise in the Parish office, tel. 01 8401188. Opening times for the exhibition are 10.30am to 5pm on Monday to Friday, 10.30am to 7pm on Saturday and Sunday.



## MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2018 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

*"We are not victims of chance or swept up in a series of unconnected events; on the contrary, our life and our presence in this world are the fruit of a divine vocation!"*



### Today is a Day of Prayer for Vocations

Collection for the support of Dublin diocesan students preparing for Ordination to the Priesthood.

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Jeremiah 29:11

## Hospitality in the Pastoral Centre TODAY

After the 9am, 11am & 12:30pm Masses  
Come in and join us for a cuppa!



### MASS INTENTIONS

- 6:30pm: Joe O'Reilly (1st A)
- 9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
- 11:00am: Kathleen Savage (A)
- 12:30pm: Patrick Crosbie (9th A)
- 5:30pm: Muriel Harford (A)

### PRAY FOR

- Larry Gorry (23rd A)
- Dolores Geran (1st A)
- Michael & Frances Halligan (A)

### 10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** Vincent Delamere (A) & Dcsd Family Members
- Pray for:** Person having an operation
- Tues:** Fintan Delamere (2nd A) & Dcsd Family Members
- Wed:** Mary Eilan & Jack Delamere & Dcsd Family Members
- Thurs:** Thomas Lawless (A)
- Fri:** Patrick McCahey (90th B'day Rem)
- Sat:**

Please take this Newsletter home

**St. Cronan's Senior School**  
are looking for volunteers to teach knitting to  
4th & 5th Classes  
one hour a week



From 1:30pm - 2:30pm  
Please contact the School Secretary  
on 01 8403488



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*"Supporting the Suicide Bereaved"*

**EMMANUEL 2018**

**Emmanuel 2018**  
Rescheduled Dates  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> May  
at 7:30pm

30 schools comprising 1200 students (600 students per night) from different parts of the Diocese are participating in a massed choir accompanied by a full orchestra. Tickets €12.00 [www.helix.ie](http://www.helix.ie) Tel: 01 7007000. Please support your local schools – full list of participating schools on [www.litmus.dublindiocese.ie](http://www.litmus.dublindiocese.ie).

Pope Francis has chosen Dublin to host the 2018 World Meeting of Families. In getting ready, we are continuing our parish conversations on what family means to us. We will also look at what Pope Francis says about the importance of family in the life of the church which he shared with us in Amoris Laetitia. The conversations will take place in each of the three parishes.



**Conversation 3:**

|                                 |                     |                |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| St. Colmcille's Parochial House | Tuesday 24th April  | 2pm - 3:30pm   |
| St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre    | Tuesday 24th April  | 7:30pm - 9pm   |
| St. Finian's Church             | Thursday 26th April | 10:30am - 12pm |

**Conversation 4:**

|                                 |                  |                |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| St. Colmcille's Parochial House | Tuesday 1st May  | 2pm - 3:30pm   |
| St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre    | Tuesday 1st May  | 7:30pm - 9pm   |
| St. Finian's Church             | Thursday 3rd May | 10:30am - 12pm |

**Conversation 5:**

|                                 |                   |                |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| St. Colmcille's Parochial House | Tuesday 8th May   | 2pm - 3:30pm   |
| St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre    | Tuesday 8th May   | 7:30pm - 9pm   |
| St. Finian's Church             | Thursday 10th May | 10:30am - 12pm |

**Conversation 6:**

|                                 |                   |                |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| St. Colmcille's Parochial House | Tuesday 15th May  | 2pm - 3:30pm   |
| St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre    | Tuesday 15th May  | 7:30pm - 9pm   |
| St. Finian's Church             | Thursday 17th May | 10:30am - 12pm |

Each conversation explores a different theme from Pope Francis' letter to the Church: The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia). These conversations are for everybody to share their experience of family. Please come along and share your story - after all we as a parish, are a family of families!

**Brackenstown Parish Pilgrimage to Poland 1-7 July 2018**

Based in Krakow to include Wadowice, Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mines and the Shrine of Sr. Faustina

Price: €835.00 per person sharing

This tour includes: Accommodation: Atrium Hotel 3\* [www.hotelatrium.pl](http://www.hotelatrium.pl)

Centrally located in the Old Town and just a short walk from the Market Square, the Atrium has 114 en-suite rooms (with shower), hairdryer, satellite TV and telephone phone. The hotel has a bar and restaurant serving local cuisine.

This tour includes: Return direct flight Dublin Krakow; Return airport transfers; 6 nights accommodation sharing twin room bed & breakfast;

4 dinners; Guided programme and coaching as per itinerary  
Entrance fees where applicable. Services of English speaking guide for transfers and excursions.

Insurance: €36.00 per person; 69 years plus rates on request;

Checked in bag: Euro 70.00 approx. – 15 kg

Single room supplement: €35.00 per night (limited availability)

Further details from Brackenstown Parish Office 8401188.



**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES**

Children's tickets are Free but they must be named and registered as part of a Family Group

**FESTIVAL OF FAMILIES & CLOSING MASS**

Pope Francis intends to be at both of these public events. The Festival of Families will take place in a concert-type venue in Dublin on the evening of 25th August. On Sunday 26th August, the Pope will celebrate Mass in the Phoenix Park. Both of these events are FREE but every adult and child has to have a ticket. Tickets will be distributed to every Diocese in the summer.

Anyone who registers for the Congress is **guaranteed** a ticket for the Closing Mass and the possibility of a ticket for the Festival of Families.

**5 day Ticket: 22nd – 26th Aug**

Online Registration: €68

On the day Registration: €78

Attendance to the 3 day Congress +  
Guarantee ticket for Festival of Families +  
Ticket for the Final Mass

**1 day Adult Ticket**

Online Registration: €38

On the day Registration: €43

Single day attendance to Congress +  
Option Festival of Families Ticket subject  
to availability at time of booking +  
guaranteed ticket for Final Mass  
(€5 off for Pensioners, students &  
unwaged)



**FIRST HOLY  
COMMUNION  
2018**

**28th April - St. Cronan's JNS**

We ask that you remember in your prayers, the boys and girls of St. Cronan's Junior School who will receive their First Holy Communion in April

**Morning Mass on Saturday  
28th April is at 8:45am**

# PARISH DIARY

DATE

EVENT

## APRIL 2018

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| 14th April | Early Christian Swords Exhibition begins |
| 21st April | Do This In Memory Mass at 6:30pm         |
| 22nd April | Do This In Memory Mass at 12:30pm        |
| 23rd April | First Communion Rehearsal                |
| 26th April | First Communion Rehearsal                |
| 28th April | First Holy Communion 10:00 and 12:00     |

THE PARISH DIARY IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE



The next Parent Meeting is Thursday 3rd May  
Next dates for Baptisms:  
Saturday 12th May at 12:30pm  
Sunday 27th May at 1:45pm

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



All Welcome to the next meeting on Tuesday 1st May

Parkinson's Group Meeting

in St. Cronan's Pastoral Centre from 11am - 1pm

Tea & coffee available from 10:30am

Congratulations to Sarah Donohoe who completed the Foundational Leadership Programme. This is a Diocesan initiative to prepare young people to be leaders in the Church and to facilitate peer ministry. We hope that Sarah and all who participated will enrich the life of their Parishes by bringing their gifts and to encourage other young people to be open to their journey of faith.



Next weekend's (28/29 April) Church Gate Collection is in aid of St. Francis Hospices, Raheny & Blanchardstown. They will be supported on the day by their partners The Lions Club. Your support on the day would be greatly appreciated.

## THE MONTHLY PATRICIAN MEETING TAKES PLACE THIS WEEK!

"How Do We Live The Gospel In Our Families?" is the title of the Discussion on Thursday next, 26th April at 8:00pm in Parish Pastoral Centre. How can we learn the Gospel values which will counteract many of the worldly values in society? How can we be strong enough to uphold our Christian values? *This discussion is open to everyone.* Spiritual Director will speak on the subject.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Rosettes, Medals, Souvenirs etc. for First Holy Communion & Confirmation available in main porch after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

EASY EVANGELISATION! SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS! Could you give 20-30 minutes per month to help spread the Good News? Helpers needed to deliver the free Catholic Paper "Alive!" in a number of areas of the parish... Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone number with Louise in Parish Office.



'LIKE' Legion of Mary Brackenstown Swords

## 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 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.

## FAMILY OFFERING

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

March Standing Order €3,109.00  
Outdoor Collection €642.24  
Annuals/Half Yearly €550.00

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

## COLLECTIONS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES

First Collection €1,301.35 (€364.40 recorded for tax rebate)  
Share Collection €1,527.00 (€251.00 recorded for tax rebate)



## 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 next Sunday:

### Fourth Sunday of Easter:

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29; Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2; Gospel John 10:11-18

Fifth Sunday of Easter: First Reading: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm: 21: 26-28, 30-32; Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24; Gospel: John 15:1-8



## PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Times:  
Weekday Mass:  
Holyday Mass:  
Confession:

Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 6:30pm, 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  
01 8401661 – 087 7404729 – pauljthornton@gmail.com  
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089 4614226 – peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie  
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Mon to Fri. 9.30am – 1.00pm

Fr. Paul Thornton, Adm,  
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## CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

21/22 April  
Priesthood Sunday

28/29 April  
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