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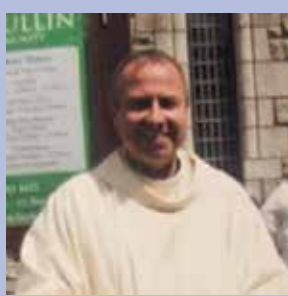
8th July 2018 ✕ 14th Sunday ✕ Year B

Fr. Eoin McCrystal (RIP)

It was with great sadness that we heard the news of the untimely death of Fr. Eoin McCrystal on Saturday 30th June.

Fr. Eoin began his priestly ministry here in Brackenstown in 1990 as priest-teacher in St Finian's Community College and recently came back to the parish to celebrate our 40th Anniversary. For the past two and a half years Fr. Eoin had been Parish Priest at St. MacCullin's Church in Lusk as well as being National Chaplain to the Young Christian Workers.

We pass on our deepest sympathies to his sisters, brother and family and to the parish community in Lusk. His funeral Mass took place last week in Lusk Parish. Please remember Fr. Eoin in your prayers and may he rest in peace.



2018 BRACKENSTOWN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Accompanied by a Spiritual Director Fr. Kevin O'Connor

22nd - 27th September 2018

Hotel Padoue - €739 per person sharing including airport taxes & free insurance

Deposit €200 per person - Single Room Supplement €180

Further details from Susan Keane

Ph: 8084445 or 085 8471539



**Hurry -
Last few
places left**

MASS INTENTIONS

- 6:30pm:** Tom Siney (Rem)
9:00am: Altar List of the Dead
11:00am: Odette Caughey (A)
12:30pm: Willie, James, Brigid Howard & Dscd Family members (A)
5:30pm: Dolly & Jem Gegan & Teresa Taylor (A)

PRAY FOR

Fr. Eoin McCrystal

10 AM MASSES NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** Fr. John O'Connell (31st A)
Tues: Patrick & Michael Howard (A)
Wed: Marian Movement for Priests
Thurs: Special Intention
Pray for: Harriet Slevin (A)
Fri: Patricia Russell, Gerry Bates & Dcsd Members of Russell & McKenna Families
Sat:

Holyday Mass: Vigil 7:30pm; 10:00am

Confession: Saturday 10:30am-11:00am and 6:00pm to 6:20pm & After 10:00am Mass on the Thursday before the First Friday

CONTACT

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



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CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS

7/8 July
St. Vincent de Paul
Clothing Appeal
Collection

14/15 July
No Collection

Please take this Newsletter home

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES PAPAL MASS Sunday 26th August 2018

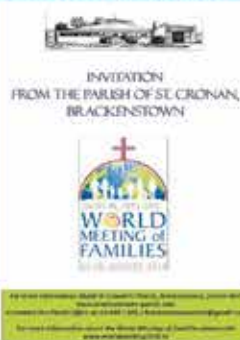
We as a parish have been successful in booking tickets and coaches for the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park on 26th August. Please note there will be a walk of approximately 7km, and everyone is advised to bring a fold-up chair and lunch. We are not taking any more bookings through the Parish Office & will have more information over the coming weeks.

TIME REQUIRED TO ARRIVE AT AND LEAVE THE PAPAL MASS AT THE PHOENIX PARK



WMOF PARISH MASSES

As part of World Meeting of Families 2018, we as a parish are celebrating a Mass for each area of our parish in St. Cronan's Church. Each home will receive an invite, which you are asked to bring to the Mass with the names of loved ones you would like remembered. You are invited to attend your Parish Mass on the following date:



WEEK 5 - 9th July

Abbeyvale & Berwick

WEEK 6 - 16th July

Ormond, Swords Manor & Parkview

WEEK 7 - 23rd July

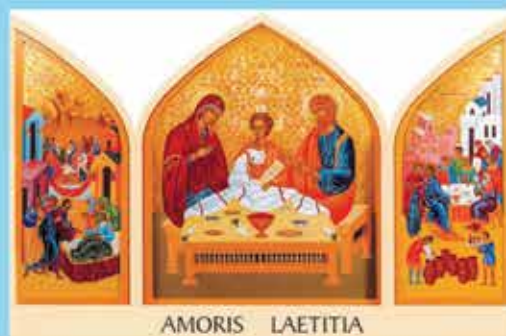
Brides Glen, Bunbury, Millers Glen & Knocksedan

WEEK 8 - 30th July

Applewood, Thornleigh, Thornleigh Apts & Jugback

WEEK 9 - 13th August

Castlevue & Ashton Broc



The next Parent Meeting is Thursday 2nd August

Next dates for Baptisms:

Saturday 11th Aug at 12:30pm FULL

Sunday 19th Aug 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.

Brackenstown Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019

We are planning a Holy Land Pilgrimage

The approx. dates are 26th Oct - 3rd Nov '19

Agent will be MAP Travel

Names are being taken through the Parish Office



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Pathways is a two-year, one night a week course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. The course begins in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe on Thursday 27th September 2018 (7pm-9:30pm).

Faith for Life takes place over four weekends in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe:

Called to Become
(6/7 October)

Church in and for the World

(17/18 November),

The Word of God

(12/13 January)

Living Faithfully

(23/24 February)

St. Cronan's Parish offers financial support for anyone wishing to do either course.

FAITH Life

Deepening the connection between Faith and Life

Faith for Life is a course to help you discover more engaging and empowering ways to live out your faith in the reality of today's world. Through relationships in family, parish, workplace and the world at large, it is a time to help you come more fully alive, growing in faith and wisdom through the challenges of life.

Faith for Life is presented as a journey of discovery, which will help participants to deepen the connection between their daily lives and their call of faith received in baptism.

Holy Cross College,
Diocesan Centre,
Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3.

The course costs €200

and places are limited.

For an application form or more information please contact:

T: (01) 837 3731 - ext 247/239

E: faithforlife@clonliffe.dia.ie

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The course is run over four weekends

2018 dates:

Saturday 6 October

9.30am - 4.30pm

Sunday 7 October

10am - 1.30pm

Saturday 17 November

9.30am - 4.30pm

Sunday 18 November

10am - 1.30pm

2019 dates:

Saturday 13 January

9.30am - 4.30pm

Sunday 14 January

10am - 1.30pm

Saturday 23 February

9.30am - 4.30pm

Sunday 24 February

10am - 1.30pm

This course has been designed, run & delivered through a partnership agreement between the Archdiocese of Dublin and the Diocese of Cork, Cloyne & Ross. It is a shared responsibility and a commitment to the faith of all.

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Dates & Times of Upcoming Cemetery Sundays

Sunday 8th July at 3:30pm Rostown Cemetery
Sunday 15th July at 3:30pm Donabate Cemetery
Sunday 22nd July at 4pm Balbriggan Cemetery
Sunday 5th August at 6.30pm Grallagh
Sunday 12th August at 4.00pm Balcadden/
 Flemington
Wednesday 15th August at 6:45pm Ballyboughal
Sunday 2nd September at 6.30pm Naul
Sunday 7th October at 4:00pm Hollywood

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

Praying with God's Word

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

14th Sunday:

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5; Psalm 122; Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

15th Sunday:

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 84; Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14; Gospel: Mark 6:7-13



GDPR - A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), is being introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate

PRAYER MEETING

Spend One Hour.....Tuesday, 10th July 8pm - 9pm. Sisters' Oratory, 29 Brackenstown Village. This Prayer Meeting honours Servant of God, Frank Duff, founder of Legion of Mary. Everybody most welcome.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK FOR OUR LADY?

Why not do something new? Legion of Mary needs new members to help Our Lady bring Jesus to more people. Meetings: **adults - Tuesdays 10:30am** in Sisters' House, and **Wednesdays 7:30pm** in Sacristy and **we need more Junior members on Fridays 4:45pm** also Sacristy. Why not come and see what you can do!

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... including **St. Cronan's, Park Ave.** etc. Information from Legion of Mary members in main porch after week-end Masses or leave your name & phone number with Louise in Parish Office.

ROSARY

Praying for a special intention? Praying for Peace? The "Rosary Statue" was blessed for use in the homes of the parish at the October Candlelight Procession. If you would like to pray the rosary again and have the rosary statue in your home for a week, or **get more information**, please contact a member of Legion of Mary in main porch after Saturday evening or Sunday morning Mass.



'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 €3,569.00

Outdoor Collection €696.20

Annuals/Half Yearly €160.00

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

COLLECTIONS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES

First Collection €1,283.00 (€370.00 recorded for tax rebate)

Peter's Pence Collection €1,791.06 (€243.31 recorded for tax rebate)



BINGO

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

Life's path to Holiness

Last week I met a woman who said: "I am really sorry I don't seem to be able to pray any more. I have three children under the age of four and my husband and I struggle to make ends meet. We have to work whenever we can. My mother is sick a lot of the time and whatever time I have left over is spent caring for her. I am really sorry, but God doesn't get much of a 'look in' in my life nowadays."

Pope Francis says that, for that woman, God is very

much getting a 'look in' in her life but she does not realise it. God is being encountered, met, responded to and loved in every gesture of care and kindness she shows to her family, in every struggling effort she makes to be faithful to her many responsibilities.

Paraphrasing Pope Francis in Gaudete et Exultate, I said: "caring for your family and those you love is the particular path to holiness that God has laid out for you". Tears of relief came into her eyes as she



heard these words. She had felt that somehow doing the right thing by God, on the one hand, and caring for her loved ones, on the other, were in competition, and she couldn't fulfill her responsibilities to both. It was a tremendous

relief and source of joy to her to know that this was not the case.

An extract from a study guide to Gaudete et Exultate, by Prof. Eamonn Conway of Mary Immaculate College, Limerick and Greg Daly, Assistant Editor of The Irish Catholic.

Quote of the week

'Catholicism is a call to live an authentic life. GK Chesterton wrote: 'Christianity has not been tried and found wanting: it has been found difficult and not tried.'

– Matthew Kelly

Challenge:

How can I try to live a more authentic life today?

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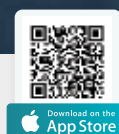
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