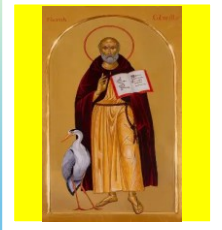




St. Colmcille's Church

THE EARLY IRISH SAINTS PARTNERSHIP OF PARISHES
SWORDS, RIVER VALLEY, BRACKENSTOWN & DONABATE.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th August 2026



BLESSING OF SCHOOL BAGS



As the new school year begins we are having the blessing of school bags for all students
Saturday 5th September at 6.30pm Family Mass.

ALL WELCOME

FIRST HOLY Communion

REGISTRATION

for First Holy Communion will take place on

Tuesday, 8th September at 7:00 pm

in St Colmcille's Church.

We look forward to welcoming you.

St.Colmcilles BNS GNS
Scoil an Duinnínigh
Holywell ETNS

For more information visit the website
Swordsparish.ie

Mass Intentions this Weekend

Sat 6.30pm: Ellen Mc Grane, DEC. Members of Mc Grane & Stafford Families, Maureen Towey (RD), Bridie & Joe Kane (A)
Sun 11.30am: Maureen O'Scanaill (RD), Frank Brady (RD), Anna Daly (10th A) Laurence Frank Kinsella (A)

Mass Intentions for Next Week

Mon 10.00am: Maureen O' Scanaill (RD), Rita O' Donoghue, Michael Murphy (A)
Tues 10.00am: Maureen o' Scanaill (RD), Eileen Forgarty (RD)
Wed 10.00am:
Thurs 10.00am Communion Service
Fri 10.00am: Altar List of the Dead



BLESSING FOR ORGANIST: Our church organist Kieran Smyth will be leaving us in September as he is heading to Spain to begin his formation journey for the priesthood. We thank him for all his good work in our parish. May he be filled with God's grace as he starts out on this spiritual journey. There will be a special blessing at the **11.30am Mass 6th September** for Kieran in St Colmcille's. We hope that you can join us.

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary community and parish-based service. Our objective is to support the bereaved through the grieving process and our services are totally free of charge and confidential within the law. The name Bethany is derived from the story of Jesus' friends Martha & Mary who lived in a village called Bethany and grieved over the death of their brother Lazarus. <https://bethany.ie/>.



SEPTEMBER SEASON OF CREATION:

This year's theme, "Living Water", explores Ezekiel 47:9 and 12 as a powerful biblical vision of hope and ecological healing. Set amid exile and loss, the image of living water flowing from God's sanctuary reveals divine healing that renews land, water, biodiversity, and human responsibility towards the whole creation.

Creation is God's sacred gift, entrusted to our care. Christians are called to protect and nurture Creation working in partnership with others and passing this responsibility on to future generations. The essential element of water maintains the balance of earth, and if our waters are polluted and threatened, our earth's flourishing is compromised.



Nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in Love in a quite absolute, final way.

What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything.

It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude.

Fall in Love, stay in love, and it will decide everything.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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MASS

Mass times:
Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm,
Sunday 11.30am

Confessions:

Sat. 6.00pm - 6.20pm
or by appointment

Church of the Visitation, Drynam:

Sun. 10.00am;

Weekday Mass:

St. Colmcille's: Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 10.00am, Thursday Communion Service 10.00am.

OTHER INFORMATION

Irish Mass on Sundays in Drynam is suspended for July and August