



**Priests:**  
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**Parish Office:**  
 Hours 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.  
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Times of Mass:  
 Saturday: Vigil 6.30 p.m.  
 Sunday 9.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 12 noon  
 First Sunday of the Month 9 a.m. Gaeilge  
 Family Mass: 10.30 a.m. each Sunday  
 Weekdays: 10.00 a.m. and 1.05 p.m.  
 Saturday 11.00 a.m.  
 Holy Days: Vigil 6.30 p.m. 10 a.m. 1.05 p.m.

There may be parishioners or visitors, who come to Mass in St. John the Baptist Church, and who are unable to receive the Host in Holy Communion. On Sunday's please feel free to receive Holy Communion from the Chalice, which is available in front of the Statue of the Sacred Heart. On weekdays the Chalice is available at the Altar.



**Confessions**

Saturday: After 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Mass.  
 Eve of Holy Days & First Fridays after 10 a.m. Mass  
 Bank Holiday after 11a.m. Mass.

**Baptisms**

First Sunday of the month at 1 p.m. and third Saturday at 12 noon.

**Marriages:** By arrangement, 3 months' notice required to Parish in which you reside.

**Pope's Intentions**

**That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.**

**Christmas has officially started!**

**For many people our annual Light Up A Life event and remembrance ceremony in Harold's Cross marks the official start of Christmas. This year, celebrating 140 years of Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services, Andrea Corr will be our guest of honour, and we are delighted to welcome back Ian Dempsey as MC on our outdoor stage.**

**Our Light Up a Life ceremony and celebration is taking place on Sunday the 1st December at 3:45pm in the beautiful grounds of Our Lady's Hospice & Care Services, Harold's Cross.**

**We hope you will be able to join us for this moving and magical afternoon. Thousands of people will gather to commemorate the lives of their loved ones who have passed on, to look back with joy and to celebrate the festive season.**

**For more information please visit our dedicated website:**

**[www.lightupalife.ie](http://www.lightupalife.ie)**

**The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

**This is not a Holyday of Obligation this Year. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is normally a holyday of obligation. However, if 8 December is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity is transferred to Monday 9 December, but is then no longer a Holyday of Obligation. This is what happens this year. It happened most recently in 2013 and 2002 and will happen again in 2024**

**PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND**

**The collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund, for repairs to the Church buildings, will take place this week-end 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. Your support is much appreciated.**

**Mass Attendance Survey**

**Thank you for taking part in the Parish Survey about the revised number of Masses. The response has been wonderful. The information is being collated. Our wish is to be able to offer the best service with the resources we now have, and to offer a wider choice of Masses in the combined areas of Booterstown, Blackrock and Newtownpark Avenue.**

**Parish Christmas Cards**

**The Parish Christmas Mass Cards are available in the Parish Office. The intentions of those to whom the cards are sent will be remembered in a Triduum of Masses to be celebrated in preparation for the feast of Christmas.**

**Daughters of Charity Christmas Gift Appeal.**

**The Daughters of Charity will visit St. John the Baptist Church, Blackrock next weekend 30<sup>th</sup> November/1<sup>st</sup> December to speak at all Masses about their work in Africa. Gifts will be available after Mass.**

**An Evening with Phil Coulter**

Join Newtownpark Avenue parish for a magical evening of music with Phil Coulter on Thursday 5th December at 7.30pm in the Church of the Guardian Angels, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock. Tickets €25 are available in the church, Newtownpark Pastoral Centre or the Texaco Garage on Newtownpark Avenue.

**Do One Thing**

This is a new initiative run by The Young Church Dublin to help vulnerable people in our city. We aim to gather young people from across the Dublin Diocese to come to St Paul's Church, Arran Quay between 5.00pm and 9.00pm on Tuesday November 26th where we will pack boxes and bags for the variety of homeless people of our city. **see <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/event/do-one-thing/>**

**November Altar List of the Dead**

The month of November gives us the opportunity to remember our dear departed when we enter their names on the Altar List of the Dead, so that they may be prayed for at all Masses during November and on the first Friday of each month for the coming year. If you wish to have the names of your loved ones inscribed on the list, there are envelopes at the back of the Church. These can be returned in the collection baskets at Mass or to the Parish Office.