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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.

Baptisms
 First Sunday of the month at 1 p.m.
 and 3rd Saturday of the month at 12 noon.

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

Pope's Intentions

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Child Safeguarding Training

A child safeguarding information/training session will be delivered by Mr Garry Kehoe, Diocesan Child Safeguarding and Protection Office, in the Parish Centre on next Tuesday 18th February 2020 from 7.30pm-9.30pm. All those who volunteer in our parish in whatever capacity and have not attended a training session in the past three years are required to attend. The last training session held in Blackrock Parish was in May 2016. We would be grateful if you would RSVP to the Parish Office, phone: 2882104; email: saintjohnthebaptist@eircom.net as soon as possible. Many thanks for your co-operation and we look forward to seeing you on the night.

Rita O'Brien and Joy Elliott
Child Safeguarding Representatives

CHRISTMAS DUES

The priests of the parish wish to thank you all most sincerely for returning your Christmas Dues. Please know that you will be remembered in their prayers. Acknowledgements for contributions made during 2019 will be issued in due course.

ACCORD Collection

The Annual Collection of ACCORD Dublin the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up at all Masses this weekend of 15th/16th February. The Collection for ACCORD **will replace** the usual Share Collection.

ACCORD Dublin offers Marriage Preparation courses, counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. ACCORD Dublin needs your support so please give generously if you can. For further information contact Linda Chambers by email: LChambers@accordublin.ie

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We are grateful to Archbishop Diarmuid Martin D.D., who conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on the students of Carysfort National School and St. Augustine's School Blackrock on Friday 14th February.

We congratulate the children who received the Sacrament and also thank the teachers and parents who prepared the children for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

New Year Resolution
GET INVOLVED

ACTIVE RETIREMENT (Blackrock/Monkstown)
 Active retirement is welcoming new members. They meet on Mondays in the Parish Centre and offer fun and interesting activities (including Bridge, Italian classes, outings). Please come along you are all very welcome!

Please contact 087 2837066 or the Parish Office 2882104 for more details.

Dominican Convent Dun Laoghaire

The annual Mass for Past Pupils of St Mary's Dominican Convent Dun Laoghaire will be on this Sunday 16th February in the Primary School Hall Convent Road Dun Laoghaire at 3pm.
 All Past Pupils very welcome.

World Day of the Sick Seminar

Thanks to the excellent contributors who took part in last Saturday's seminar to mark World Day of the Sick which looked at "Hope in the Face of Suicide". Most participants were anxious to have follow up information available.
 A copy of Catherine Keenan's Power Point on the important issue of Self Care is available here <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/world-day-of-the-sick-seminar-information/>

Donal Scanlan spoke about the important work carried out by Mental Health First Aid Ireland. <https://www.mhfaireland.ie/>
 More detail on their work is available on their website And for following up on the work of Living Links as discussed by Michael Egan, you can visit their website <https://www.tipperarylivinglinks.ie/>