

Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 22nd /23rd February, 2020.

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:

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) 6.30 p.m. 10.00 a.m. 12 noon

First Sunday of the Month 10.00 a.m. Gaeilge Family Mass: 10.00 a.m. Every Sunday

Weekdays: 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.

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.

Ash Wednesday

Next Wednesday 26th February is a day of Fast and Abstinence. Mass times are: 10.00 a.m. and 1.05 p.m.

Ashes will be blessed and distributed after the 10.00 a.m. and 1.05 p.m. Masses.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Saturday 7th March 2020

The Students of Willow Park School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at 10.00 a.m.

The celebrant is: Bishop Eamonn Walsh.

Please note this will be the only Mass on that morning.

St. Benildus College, Upper Kilmacud Road, Stillorgan

Open Day on Tuesday March 3rd 2020

Guided School Tours are offered from 8.25 a.m. – 11.45 a.m. and from 1.15 p.m. – 2.45p.m. www.stbenilduscollege.com

Lenten Eucharistic Devotions

By way of preparing ourselves for the feast of Easter we will have an evening Mass each Thursday (**commencing next Thursday 27**th **February**) during Lent at 7.30 p.m. Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a short period of Silent Prayer, Evening Prayer of the Church and the personal blessing of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

We invite and encourage all of you to make an effort to join in this Lenten devotion.

Thursdays: February: 27th

March: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th,

April: 2nd

The Annual Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse will take place on Friday 28th February 2020, the first Friday of Lent.

The bishops of Ireland have blessed and dedicated candles of atonement for use in their Cathedrals and parishes throughout the country on 28 February and thereafter during the celebration of Mass and other liturgies.

Candle of Atonement Prayer

Lord, forgive us our many sins.

We grieve and repent with all our hearts for having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable.

We place all of those who have been hurt by the Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show us all the way out of darkness and into the light of your Word.

May we as the people of God be more fully human, more fully Christ-like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church.

Amen.

Women's World Day of Prayer 2020.

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The Women of Zimbabwe, have prepared the service for this year. The event will be held in Monkstown Parish Church (COI) on Friday, 6th March, at 3.00pm. The Theme: "RISE – TAKE YOUR MAT AND WALK"

All are invited to this hour of praise. The service will be followed by refreshments.

We invite you to attend this Interdenominational Service which is shared with eight of our surrounding Christian communities from Blackrock, Booterstown and Monkstown.