

#### Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> March, 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 Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

The Novena of Grace will continue to be recited at all Masses in our Church until Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> March.

# St. John the Baptist Parish Blackrock

Invite you to join with us in a series of talks on 'The Lives of the Saints' in the Parish Centre at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesdays: 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March.

All are most welcome

## St Vincent de Paul

The monthly collection for the St. Vincent de Paul will take place after all Masses this weekend 7th/8th March, 2020.

Thank you for your support

### **Christ Our Light - Towards Easter 2020**

Fr. Kieran O 'Mahony OSA presents: The Sunday Reading Lent Programme, in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral. It continues every Wednesday during Lent at 11:15am.

## **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

We are grateful to Bishop Eamonn Walsh who conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on the students of Willow Park School, on Saturday 7th March. We congratulate the students who received the Sacrament, and also thank the teachers and parents in Willow Park School, who prepared the students for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## Coronavirus

As directed by the HSE and the Archdiocese we would like to remind you of the procedures at Church services at this time:

- Holy Water Fonts should not be used.
- The Sign of Peace should be suspended.
- Holy Communion should be administered into the hand only and NOT onto the tongue.
- The use of communal Chalices should be suspended.

Those who would normally receive Holy Communion from the Chalice – may now, if they so wish, receive a **low gluten host** which will be available on the altar.

We thank you for your cooperation in implementing these recommendations.

### **Lenten Eucharistic Devotions**

By way of preparing ourselves for the feast of Easter we will have an evening Mass each Thursday 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: March: 12th, 19th, 26th,

April: 2<sup>nd</sup>

# St. Vincent de Paul Annual Clothing Appeal

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking your help, with their appeal for second-hand clothing. Bags will be distributed this weekend 7th /8th March, 2020. The collection of the bags will take place on Saturday 14th March (Vigil Mass) and Sunday 15th March at Morning Masses only.

We would ask that bags are <u>not left</u> in the Church porch during the week but brought on the days of the collection.