



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 30th /31st January, 2021.

Website: www.sjb.ie

Masses available on webcam

Priests:

Fr Peter O'Connor. P.P. 01 2882104
Fr. Eddie Conway 01 2882248

Parish Office:

Hours 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
Tel: 288 21 04

Times of Mass:

Sunday Vigil (Saturday) 6.30 p.m.
12 noon
First Sunday of the Month 10.00 a.m.
Weekdays: 1.05 p.m.
Saturday 6.30 p.m. Vigil.
Holy Days: Vigil 6.30 p.m. 1.05 p.m.

Confessions

On request.

Baptisms

On request.

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

Saint John the Baptist, DONATE BUTTON.

There are five options to choose from under the DONATE button.

Parish Support, The First Collection, The Second Collection. Christmas & Easter Dues, The Priests of our own Parish.

Accord Annual Collection

Accord Dublin's Annual Collection will take place on the weekend of 13th & 14th February. We realise that it will be much more difficult for parishes to support us this year – although the demand for services is greater than ever. You can donate in the following ways:

Online at www.accorddublin.ie where you will find a DONATE button. By post to Accord Dublin, Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3.

Feast of St. Blaise – 3rd February.

The blessing of St. Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick. Using two crossed and unlighted candles, blessed on the memorial of St. Blaise or on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the priest touches the throat of each person, saying, 'Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from all ailments of the throat and from every other evil) or from every disease of the throat and from every other illness). In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy spirit. Amen.

Blessing of Candles Prayer

O God, true light, who create light eternal,
Spreading it far and wide,
Pour, we pray, into the heart of the faithful
The brilliance of perpetual light.
So that all who are brightened in your holy temple
By the splendour of these candles
May happily reach the light of your glory.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



A Message from Fr. Peter O'Connor.

Fr. Peter and Fr. Eddie and all involved in St. John the Baptist Church, Blackrock wish you and your loved ones a very Happy New Year.

We particularly sympathise with our parishioners who have lost a loved one or have been affected during this current pandemic. You are all remembered in the prayers of the parish.

We also pray for those who are in need in any way, especially families that may be experiencing hidden and special difficulties. We pray for the children and young people of the parish, and those trying to arrange the gift of the Sacraments, Baptism, Weddings, Confirmations and First Communion.

We welcome our new Archbishop Dermot Farrell. May the Holy Spirit guide and protect him. May he find love and respect among the clergy and people of the Archdiocese.

We wish to express our condolences and deepest sympathy to Fr. Eddie Conway on the loss of his brother Jim. May he rest in peace.

If you need support or information from the parish, please contact us at office@sjb.ie or telephone 012882104.

Our next parish newsletter will be in two weeks, just before Ash Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support, may God bless you all and keep us safe in 2021.

Fr. Peter O'Connor, Adm.

Prayer to St. Brigid

Brigid, you were a woman of peace.
You brought harmony where there was conflict.
You brought light to the darkness.
You brought hope to the downcast.
May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious.
And may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world.
Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made.
Bridget, you were a voice for the wounded and the weary.
Strengthen what is weak within us.
Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.
May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit.
Amen.



Christmas Dues

Thank you for your Christmas Dues. If you did not get a chance to do so, dues envelopes are still available for collection in the boxes at the back of the Church.

Shrines.

Contributions to candles at the shrines go to support the upkeep of the parish. Thank you.