



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> /14<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

Website: [www.sjb.ie](http://www.sjb.ie)

**Masses available on webcam**

**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.**  
**12 noon**

**Weekdays: 1.05 p.m.**  
**Saturday 6.30 p.m. Vigil.**

**Confessions**

On request.

**Baptisms**

On request.

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

When entering the Church, please wear **face masks, social distance, and use the hand sanitizers.**

The Church is cleaned at regular intervals to make it a safer environment for all.  
**Thank You.**

**A Prayer to St. Joseph**

**Joseph**, strengthen in our family every bond of love which unites us, The marriage bond, The love of parent and child, The bonds of mutual love between all.

**Joseph**, protect our family from every danger from without, and from every threat to peace, unity and harmony within.

**Joseph**, teach us to be kind and loving towards one another, careful for one another, tolerant of one another, forgiving towards one another.

**Joseph**, may contentment with our lot.  
Amen.

**Mother's Day Prayer**

Thinking of you on Mother's Day.

And saying a Special Prayer,

**THAT GOD,**

Who knows **HOW DEAR** you are,

Will keep you in **HIS** care.

That **HE** will **BLESS** your daily life,

With joys of every kind,

With perfect **HEALTH** and **HAPPINESS** and peace of  
**HEART AND MIND.**

**Saint John the Baptist Donate Button.**

There are five options to choose from under the **DONATE** button:

1. The Parish Support and Maintenance Funds, for maintaining and insuring our Church buildings, for heat and light, and for the general running of our parish.
2. The First Collection, for the support of the active, sick and retired priests of Dublin Diocese.
3. The Second Collection (Share) for needy parishes in the Diocese and for the support of the Diocesan Offices.
4. Christmas and Easter Dues, for the support of the active, sick and retired priests of the Diocese.
5. The Priests of our own Parish.

**A message from Fr. Peter O'Connor**

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Parish of Blackrock we wish you all a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

We once again thank you for your support as the Churches remain closed for worship, but open for private prayer. The past few weeks we have continued with the tidying and reorganizing of the Sacristy and Mortuary chapel. We have also installed three more candle shrines in the church, to help us to remain in close contact with God in prayer. The proceeds from the candle shrines help to maintain the parish.

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> March is the Feast of St. Joseph. Pope Francis has asked us to remember all fathers this year, as he has proclaimed this year as the Year of St. Joseph. At the statue of St. Joseph flowers have been placed along with a new candle shrine.

At the back of the church, you will find Stations of the Cross for children and adults to take home. We also have a Lenten Prayer Intention Box at the front of the church for you to place your intentions, which will be prayed for at Mass.

We say a big welcome back to all the children returning to school this week, and wish them all a safe and happy term.

Our next newsletter will be published on Palm Sunday. We hope to have palms available in the Church on that day for you to take home.

Once again wishing you a Happy Saint Patrick's Day. **Masses will be on the webcam [www.sjb.ie](http://www.sjb.ie) at 6.30 p.m. next Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March and at 12.00 noon on St. Patrick's Day.** We are blessed to have our cantors who will be singing at both Masses.

**Fr. Peter O'Connor, Adm.**

**An Irish Prayer**

**May God give you, For every storm, a rainbow,**

**For every tear, A smile,**

**For every care a promise,**

**And a blessing in each trial.**

**For every problem life sends,**

**A faithful friend to share,**

**For every sigh, A sweet song,**

**And an answer for each prayer.**

