

Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 3rd /4th July, 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: 28821 04

Times of Mass:

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

12 noon

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

Confessions

On request.

Baptisms: At present we are not taking applications until further notice.

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.

TASK FORCE PRAYER

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.
You constantly journey with us
even in our darkness and doubts.
We seek your way of loving kindness
to walk together as one family.
Open our eyes to recognise you
in the faces of one another,
in the breaking of bread
and in the splendour of your creation.

May the Risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us. May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

May the Holy Spirit be working in and through us, do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service. We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord Amen.

> St Laurence O' Toole: pray for us. St Brigid: pray for us.

A Message from Fr. Peter O'Connor.

Dear Parishioners.

At Easter our new Archbishop set up a Building Hope Task Force. This week we received the following email from the Chairperson of the Task Force Monsignor Ciarán O'Carroll whereby he asked us to share the following with you.

"I write to you as the chairperson of the Building Hope Task Force. Archbishop Farrell established the Task Force to support parishes to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity, and to enable the Archdiocese of Dublin to ack now so as to be able to give effective witness in the future. The Archbishop has initiated a conversation aimed at stimulating engagement across the whole Archdiocese.

The Task force is seeking to engage with the whole diocesan family. Beginning at this Sunday's Masses, we ask your parishioners to pray, to discuss the consultation with their families and to complete the online consultation by visiting <u>www.dublindiocese.ie</u> where you will also find a special video message from the Archbishop. The consultation form will remain available online until Sunday 18th July.

On behalf of the Task Force, I thank you sincerely for your support and encouragement and ask you to remember the work of the Task force in your prayers."

Monsignor Ciarán O'Carroll. Chairperson of the Task Force.

May I also thank all those who contributed to the Summer Dues, envelopes are still available in the Church and can be left in the safe or returned to the Parish Office. We would appreciate if you would consider supporting this fund.

I also wish to say a big thank you to the volunteers, especially those who looked after the Easter Garden. I also wish to thank those who prepared the lovely flowers which are in the church this weekend. A word of appreciation to those who help at Masses, our parish volunteers who open and close the Church and those who look after the Sacristy. More help is still needed if you have time to spare, please contact the Parish Office and leave your name.

Fr. Peter O'Connor, Adm.

Annual Peter 's Pence Collection

The annual collection of Peter's Pence to support the Holy Father, Pope Francis and the Pontifical Charities is to be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese **this weekend 3rd /4th July, 2021.**

This will replace the Share Collection.

Holy Water

Holy water bottles are available to take home. They are placed near the Baptismal font.

CCTV

CCTV cameras are in operation in the Church and throughout the grounds.