



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> July, 2022.

Website: [www.sjb.ie](http://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:** First Sunday of each month and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday.

**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.



**Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

The Annual collection for the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, will take place after all Masses commencing this Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July to Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July.

There will be a table in each porch with collectors after the Masses.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Summer Dues**

We thank our parishioners who have supported the Summer Dues. Envelopes are still available in the Church if you so wish to contribute to this fund.

The envelopes may be left in the safe or returned to the Parish Office.

Once again thank you for your continuing support.

**DÚN LAOGHAIRE ORGAN CONCERTS**

☆ The Dún Laoghaire Summer Organ Concerts have returned at St Michael's Church. Concerts will take place every Sunday at 8pm from 19th June to 11th September. ☆

We look forward to seeing you

For full details see the Notice Boards.

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY**

Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which took place for the first time in 2021. It takes place this Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. In his message for the second World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Francis writes: **“Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future”.**

This weekend we welcome all Grandparents, as Pope Francis has asked us to pray for all Grandparents and the Elderly on the Feast of St. Joachim and Anne the parents of Mary, and as Pope Francis reminds us the Grandparents of Jesus.

**Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer for Grandparents**

Lord Jesus,  
you were born of the Virgin Mary,  
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.  
Look with love on grandparents the world over.  
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment  
for families, for the Church and for all of society.  
Support them! As they grow older,  
may they continue to be for their families  
strong pillars of Gospel faith,  
guardians of noble domestic ideals,  
living treasuries of sound religious traditions.  
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,  
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits  
of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,  
help families and society  
to value the presence and role of grandparents.  
May they never be ignored or excluded,  
but always encounter respect and love.  
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed  
in all the years of life which you give them.  
Mary, Mother of all the living,  
keep grandparents constantly in your care,  
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,  
and by your prayers, grant that all families  
may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,  
where you await all humanity  
for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

