



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 27<sup>th</sup> /28th August, 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.

**Back to School Calendar/Colour In**

With schools, universities and colleges starting back soon, help us make September a month of prayer for our young people (our children and grandchildren). Placed in the Church you will find a **calendar for Parents and Grandparents**. There are some beautiful daily prayers in it. On the **"Good News Stand"** you will find some lovely religious book for example, **Making the Sign of the Cross, Bible Story Time, Noah and the Flood, Moses and the Princess** and many others for you to choose from!

**Dublin Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

A big thank you to all those who were involved in organizing the Lourdes Associate Membership. The amount received from the parishioners of Blackrock Parish was €2,045.00.

The enrolment sheets containing the names of the Parish Associates will be placed at the Grotto in Lourdes and Mass will be offered for the intentions of all our contributors during the pilgrimage.

**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.**

**Leaving Certificate Students**

We wish every success to all the students as they await their Leaving Certificate results next Friday. We pray that you will be guided by the Holy Spirit in your decision making for your future.



**Thank You**

Fr. Peter would like to thank all those who have looked after our garden over the summer months, especially Angela who has given up so much of her time caring for it. We have received so many positive comments about how well it has looked.

**A GARDENERS HAND**

Help us, Oh God, to be ever mindful of the beauties around us.

May we grow with our flowers in gentleness, patience, courage, laughter and religion.

As we turn the brown soil and plant our seed, may we learn faith ... faith in the goodness of the earth, the clemency of the sun, the fullness of the clouds.

May we be grateful for the privilege of being co-workers with God in the creation of even one tiny flower;

And grant that we may know the great joy that comes from sharing with others.

Amen