



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 28th /29th January, 2023.

Website: 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.
10.00 a.m.
12.00 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, the use of hand sanitiser and face masks is recommended.

We are grateful to our volunteers who keep the Church so clean and tidy.



Visit to Lourdes Grotto, Oblate Fathers, Inchicore
In honour of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes 11th February, 2023.

This grotto, a replica of the Grotto at Lourdes, was completed in 1930 mainly by voluntary labour for the people of Ireland who could not afford to travel to France. Many thousands attended the opening ceremony.

In honour of this great feast, there will be a Lourdes Mass at 7.00 p.m. on the 11th February followed by a torch light procession. A bus will leave Holy Family Sallynoggin Church at 5.50 p.m. to travel to Inchicore. The fare is €10.

If you are interested contact Maria Monaghan at 086 3576374 or 2856069 (between 7.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m.) Please come and join them.

The Presentation of the Lord Thursday 2nd February, 2023.

Blessing of Candles will take place.

The Feast of St. Blaise Friday 3rd February, 2023.

Throats will be blessed after the 1.05 p.m. Mass next Friday.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Class of 2023

This Saturday at the 6.30 p.m. vigil Mass we welcome the children from Carysfort National School who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion.

Next Saturday 4th February at the 6.30 p.m. vigil Mass we welcome the children from Carysfort National School who are preparing to make their Confirmation.

The Feast of St. Brigid Wednesday 1st February, 2023.

Prayer to St. Brigid

O Glorious St. Bridget, Patroness of Ireland,
protect the Irish Church
and preserve the true Faith in every Irish heart,
at home and abroad.

Obtain for us the grace to walk faithfully
in the path of Christian perfection during life,
and so, to secure a holy and happy death,
with life everlasting,
in your blessed company,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

How to Make a St. Brigid's Cross



You will need

16 Reeds (or Straws)

4 small rubber bands

Scissors

What to Do

Hold one of the reeds vertically. Fold a second reed in half as in the diagram.

Place the first vertical reed in the centre of the folded second reed.

Hold the centre overlap tightly between thumb and forefinger.

Turn the two rushes held together 90 degrees anti-clockwise so that the open ends of the second reed are pointing vertically upwards.

Fold a third reed in half and over both parts of the second reed to lie horizontally from left to right against the first straw. Hold tight.

Holding the centre tightly, turn the three reeds 90 degrees anti-clockwise so that the open ends of the third reed are pointing upwards.

Fold a new reed in half over and across all the rushes pointing upwards.

Repeat the process of rotating all the rushes 90 degrees anti-clockwise, adding a new folded reed each time until all rushes have been used up to make the cross.

Secure the arms of the cross with elastic bands. Trim the ends to make them all the same length. The St Brigid's Cross is now ready to hang.

