



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

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

**Masses available on webcam**

**Priests:**

Fr. Peter O'Connor P.P. 01 288 21 04  
Fr. Eddie Conway P.C. 01 288 22 48

**Parish Office:**

Hours: 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.  
Tel: 288 21 04

**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.

**ACCORD COLLECTION 2023**

The annual Diocesan collection for ACCORD, will take place at the second collection at all Masses in the Diocese this weekend, the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of February.

ACCORD is the Diocesan agency for Marriage and Family and offers Marriage Preparation courses, counselling for couples and individuals, and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

**EARTHQUAKE**

**PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF TURKEY AND SYRIA**

We pray for the people of Central Turkey and North-West Syria whose lives have been devastated by the earthquake. Be present, O Lord, our Good Shepherd, to bring comfort, relief, shelter and human kindness.

Shield the people who suffer, console those who are bereaved, prosper the provision of relief, strengthen the work of emergency teams, and shine your light and hope in the midst of despair.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Donations may be made through Aid to the Church in Need [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org)

**GOOD NEWS STAND**

We have a good selection of books, candles, newspapers, and leaflets available at our Good News Stand, including a lovely selection of books for young children.



**A PRAYER FOR SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY**

*God bless you on this special day, God keep you in His care,  
And may His blessing and His love go with you everywhere.*

**The Memorial for Saint Valentine will be celebrated at Masses in Whitefriar Street, on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 11.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.**

**LENT 2023**



**Ash Wednesday – 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023**

Mass will be at 1.05 p.m. and Blessed Ashes will be distributed after Mass. Blessed Ashes will be available in the Church throughout the day for you to bring home to friends and family who may not be able to be at Mass that day.

**Week Day Rosary During Lent**

Join us for the Rosary, every week day (Mon to Fri) during Lent, at 12.45 p.m. (before 1.05 p.m. Mass). Begins Ash Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

**New Booklets** for Lenten devotions for adults and children, **Colour-In Calendars** for children, and **Trocaire Boxes** - all of these will be available in the next week or so as we move into the Holy Season of Lent.