



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 29th /30th April, 2023.

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| <p>Priests Fr. Peter O'Connor P.P. 01 288 21 04 Fr. Eddie Conway P.C. 01 288 22 48</p> <p>Parish Office Hours: 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Tel: 288 21 04 Email: office@sjb.ie</p> | <p>Times of Mass Sunday: Vigil (Saturday) 6.30 p.m. 10.00 a.m. 12.00 noon</p> <p>Weekdays: 1.05 p.m. Saturday: 6.30 p.m. Vigil</p> |
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Confessions: Available on request.

Baptisms: Held on the 1st Sunday and the 3rd Saturday of the month. All enquires welcome through the Parish Office on 01 288 2104, or email office@sjb.ie

Marriages: By arrangement, 3 months' notice required to Parish in which you reside.

Blackrock Bridge Club
Blackrock Bridge Club meets each Saturday at 7.30pm, at the parish centre in the grounds of Blackrock Church. The club welcomes visitors and accommodates those who come without a partner and who arrive before 7.20pm. Table money is €6.
Parking is available locally. Further information about the club is available at www.bridgewebs.com/blackrockdublin <https://www.bridgewebs.com/blackrockdublin/>

This Sunday, April 30, will be the Day of Prayer for Vocations and the beginning of a Year of Prayer for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood. The usual Share collection will be taken up.

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, send workers into your harvest.
May the spirit we received in Baptism,
Touch the hearts of many,
To offer themselves in priesthood, religious life
And other forms of service.
Give the parents and families of our diocese
The wisdom and courage to support young people
In searching for and following the call of God in their lives.
Amen.

Monday 1st May, 2023 Bank Holiday

Mass will be celebrated at 11.00 a.m.

We wish all those travelling this weekend, a safe journey and enjoyable and restful break

Easter Dues

The Easter Dues envelopes have now been distributed, if you did not receive an envelope there are some available in the Church should you wish to take one. The Dues support the priests of the parish and the diocese. They may be returned to the safe at the back of the Church, or to the post box on the Parish Centre door. You may also donate in other ways:

- CONTACTLESS CARD PAYMENTS (TAP);
- SHRINES-SMART PHONES
- DONATE BUTTON ON THE WEBSITE www.sjb.ie

Parish Prayer for May

This is a favourite prayer of Pope Francis and is a devotion to Our lady, under the title Mary, Undoer of Knots. For the situations in our life that seem a terrible tangle of knots, try this prayer:



Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love,
Mother who never refuses to come
to the aid of anyone in need.
Cast your eyes upon me and see
the snarl of knots that exists in my life.
You know very well how desperate I am,
and how I am bound by these knots.

Mary Mother to whom God entrusted
the undoing of the knots in the lives of all.
I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life.
In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone.
Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power
With you Son Jesus take into your hands this knot.
(Mention your request here)
You are my hope Mary, hear my prayer.
Keep Me, guide me, protect me.

Amen.

LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION

The Lay Ministry Collection will take place next weekend of May 6/7. This collection will replace the usual Share collection.

Willow Park Confirmations

Friday 5th May and Saturday 6th May.

The students of Willow Park School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Friday
5th May at 2.30 p.m. and Saturday 6th May at 11.00 a.m.