

Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 29<sup>th</sup> /30<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

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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 Email: office@sjb.ie

Confessions: Available on request.

**Baptisms:** Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday and the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## 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

## **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 the letter box in the parish centre.

Once again thank you for your continuing support



Over the past few weeks, you might have seen Trócaire's ad on tv about the One Day Campaign. For over fifty years, Trócaire have been working with supporters, Irish Aid, partners, and communities to create positive and lasting change. Our One Day campaign highlights the profound impact of these collective efforts, working together for a just world. To parishes across the island of Ireland, Trócaire would like to say 'thank you' for making "One Days" happen. To learn more, go to www.trocaire.org/oneday/

The Society of African Missions (SMA Fathers)
The collection for the society of African
Missions on the weekend of the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> July
amounted to €1,680. We thank all our
parishioners for their generosity.

## Camino 2024

Plans are currently being made to host a Young Adult Camino in Summer 2024 for the Archdiocese of Dublin. It will be the final stage, walking the 110kms from Sarria to Santiago, with a day trip to Finisterre. Upon reaching the Cathedral in Santiago, those walking will get their Compostela. Three preparation sessions will be held in March, April and May. Register your interest now by fill in the following form: https://forms.office.com/e/q4xqzF4Vwv/. All queries can be sent to





## A Message from Fr. Peter O'Connor

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July we celebrated the Feast of Ss Joachim and Anne, the Grandparents of Jesus. The stained-glass window in St. Anne's chapel in the Church are dedicated to St. Anne and St. Joachim. During the past week a statue of our Lady as a child and her mother St. Anne has been placed in St. Anne's Chapel. During the month of August, we pray for all grandparents making this time of year a special time of thanksgiving for all grannies and granddads. Each week we hope to have a different prayer. This week's prayer is read from the perspective of a Grandchild.

I hope you are enjoying the summer here in Ireland or abroad.

It is a quiet time of year in the parish but I ask you to remember those who have asked for the gift of the Sacrament of Baptism.

Outside the main entrance of the Church doors unfortunately some subsidence has occurred due to natural elements. During the next few weeks minor maintenance works will take place. There is no date yet as to when the work will occur and may only take a few days. The maintenance work has been approved by the Finance committee and different quotes for the works have been received and approved. A colour in leaflet for children featuring Ss Anne and Joachim is available as you leave the Church.

Happy Holidays! Fr. Peter

The Statue of Our Lady and her mother

A prayer for my grandparents
(a prayer for grandchildren to say)

Dear Father,

We thank you for our wonderful grandparents.
They bring such joy and happiness into our lives.
Thank you for all the special times that we have with them.
Please watch over them, protect them and care for them now.
May they know your goodness and love always.

Amer