



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> /15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

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

Masses available on webcam

Email: [office@sjb.ie](mailto:office@sjb.ie)

#### 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: 01 288 21 04  
Email: [office@sjb.ie](mailto:office@sjb.ie)

#### 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:** 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](mailto:office@sjb.ie)

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

#### CARYSFORT NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

OUR PARISH SCHOOL, CARYSFORT NATIONAL SCHOOL, WILL BE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY TO JUNIOR INFANTS IN SEPTEMBER 2024 FROM MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER UNTIL FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE [www.carysfortns.ie](http://www.carysfortns.ie), OR REQUESTED BY EMAILING THE SCHOOL; [office@carysfortns.ie](mailto:office@carysfortns.ie). HARD COPIES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON CONVENT ROAD.

#### EVENTS

- **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October.** The 6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass is for children preparing for Confirmation.
- **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.** Mission Sunday.
- **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October.** Safeguarding Sunday.
- **November Altar List of the Dead.** If you wish to have the names of your loved ones inscribed on the list, there are envelopes available at the back of the Church.



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AT THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH

#### THANK YOU

Construction work to the concrete apron at the front steps has now been completed. We thank you for your patience and understanding.



#### HOME AND AWAY

We thank all those who took part in the Home and Away Map of the World last weekend. Parishioners can still place the arrow with their loved one's names on the map of the world where their loved ones live, say a prayer, and light a candle.



## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

The house of God is filled with ordinary people  
doing extraordinary things in His service.

Ministry	What We Do
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Distributes the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during the Eucharistic Mass.
<b>Reader/Minister of the Word</b>	Proclaims the Word of God at Mass
<b>Collectors &amp; Stewards Group</b>	Responsibility for passing around the baskets and assisting parishioners where needed.
<b>Flower Group</b>	Decorates the church with fresh flowers and foliage.
<b>Maintenance &amp; Cleaning Groups</b>	Undertake minor repairs, clean and do other jobs around the Church premises and grounds.
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Expression of interest invited from people with skills in finance and accounting.
<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Expression of interest invited from people willing to become more involved in the life of our parish.
<b>Baptism Ministry</b>	Assists in preparing parents and godparents of children who are to be baptised in the parish.
<b>Lent, Easter, Advent, Christmas Ministry</b>	Oversees the church environment for these special liturgical occasions.
<b>Choir</b>	The Parish Choir leads the music and hymns at the 12 noon Sunday Mass and at other important liturgical celebrations. Members practice at 11am each Sunday in the Parish Centre.
	<b>Future Ministries</b>
<b>Hospitality Team</b>	To organise and manage Church Social gatherings.
<b>Communications Team</b>	To manage the effective communication of important information, events, and announcements to the parish and the wider community. To support the parish mission using the following means – newsletter, noticeboards, social media, website.
<b>Funeral Ministry</b>	We invite people with a calling to assist in various ways during funerals to help families at a time of great loss.
<b>Social Justice Team</b>	To create a team as suggested in the Synod to uphold the church's commitment to work for reconciliation, justice and peace, to address issues of social concern and to take action wherever possible.