



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 10th /11th February, 2024.

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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.
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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: 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, three months' notice required to the Parish in which you reside.

Parish Pastoral Council News
 A member of the Parish Pastoral Council with Fr. Peter will meet the parish Baptismal Team on **Tuesday 27th February at 7.30 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. During the month of April, a member of the Parish Pastoral Council with Fr. Peter will also meet the readers and Eucharistic ministers on separate evenings.
Fr. Peter O'Connor, Adm.

A Valentine's Day Prayer
 I said a Valentine prayer for you
 and asked the Lord above
 to fill your heart and bless your soul
 With the precious gift of love.

I asked Him for sincere love
 The kind that's meant to stay
 Just like the generous love
 You give to those you touch each day.

I prayed for love from family
 And from every cherished friend
 Then I asked the Lord to give you
 His love that knows no end.



- The **ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD Dublin**, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage, and the Family, will be made at all Masses next weekend **17th & 18th February 2024.**
- The **OUTDOOR COLLECTION for the PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND** for repairs and maintenance to our buildings will take place after Masses on the weekend of the **24th/25th February, 2024.**
- **Day of Prayer for Survivors** is Friday 16th February.

JUST LENT
 A LENT leaflet from the Liturgy Centre in the Archdiocese will be available in the Church starting on the weekend of the 17th/18th February.

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ASH WEDNESDAY – 14th FEBRUARY – BLESSING AND DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

Mass will be at 1:05 p.m. and Ashes will be distributed after Mass.
 The Church will open at **9:00 a.m.** and Fr. Peter will bless some ashes at that time for distribution from a table in front of the Altar. Parishioners may bless themselves with the ashes and bring some home. **The Church will remain open until 6:30 p.m.**

Trocaire Boxes - These are available in the porch of the Church. Thank you for your support.

A Children's Activity Calendar for Lent is also available in the Church porches – you can pick one up for children, grandchildren, or relations and friends. Price: 50c.

“Walk With Me” Booklets offering a Lenten reflection are on sale in the Good News Stand and at the entrances to the Church; Price: €1.30. A version of the reflections for children is also available on the Good News Stand also priced €1.30.

Stations of the Cross are a private devotion popular in the season of Lent. Reflections for the Stations will be available in the missalette stands throughout the season of Lent.



Pancake Tuesday Prayer
 Go and be like **flour**, food for all. Go and be like **eggs**, a sign of hope. Go and be like **milk**, full of goodness. Make this Lent a time when you will feed others, show the hope of Jesus and live a life of goodness.
 In the name of Christ. Amen

