

Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock.

Parish Newsletter 11th/12th May, 2024.

Website: www.sjb.ie Email: office@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: 01 288 21 04 Email: office@sjb.ie

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@sib.ie

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

Times of Mass

Vigil (Saturday) 6.30 p.m. Sunday:

> 10.00 a.m. 12.00 noon

Weekdays: 1.05 p.m. 6.30 p.m. Vigil Saturday:

Parish Information

- The Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 14th May, at 7.30 p.m.
- The Parish Finance committee will meet in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 15th May at 7.30 p.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS



We congratulate the children from **Carysfort National School who received Jesus for** the first time in Holy Communion on Saturday.

The children from Willow Park School will receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion next Saturday 18th May, at 11.00 a.m.

CHORAL CONCERT LAFAYETTE COLLEGE CHOIR PENNSYLVANIA, USA.

Wednesday 29th May, 7.00 p.m. All Saint's Church Carysfort Ave Blackrock Free entrance. Donations will support All Saint's National School.



Patrick Kavanagh Experience

Enjoy a guided bus tour along the Kavanagh Trail in Inniskeen as well as the Patrick Kavanagh Centre Experience. Highlights include the Kavanagh Homestead, Billy Brennans Barn, and the Poetry Jukebox by the River Fane.

A guide accompanies our group around the Kavanagh Trail.



Wed 10 July, 9am-4.30pm

9am Bus from Lumen 10.30am Arrival at Visitor Centre, tea and scone

11am-1pm Guided tour

1.15pm Light lunch **3pm** Departure for Lumen

€80 per person

Book online, by phone or in person www.lumenop.ie | 01 288 2075 | info@lumenop.ie This weekend in our Mass we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven and the beginning of the period of prayer awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Pentecost, which we will celebrate next Sunday, marks the beginning of the Church and the start of its mission.

- Our Novena (nine days of prayer) to the Holy Spirit is a crucial part of the **Building Hope pastoral renewal process** of prayerful listening, dialogue, planning and action. Pope Francis encourages times such as these of prayerful reflection, listening and sharing, so that we can better hear the voice of God's Spirit, to help direct the Church into the future. We trust this prayerful period will be fruitful for our parish partnership and for our Archdiocese.
- Recalling the example of the disciples after the Ascension, who persevered together in prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus, we too will pray together earnestly at this special time. You are warmly encouraged to join in prayer here at each Mass over the next nine days or to pray the Novena **BUILDING HOPE PRAYER daily in your**
- We join now in praying the BUILDING **HOPE PRAYER** ... which you will find on the Novena prayer card / in your Mass leaflet.

Building Hope Prayer Archdiocese of Dublin

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise. You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts.

We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family. Open our eyes to recognise you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation.

May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us.

May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice, and

May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service.

We make this our prayer through Christ Our

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. St Laurence O'Toole, pray for us. St Kevin, pray for us. St Brigid, pray for us.

Building Hipe **Building Hope through Prayer, Reflection and Planning**

PARISH BUCKET COLLECTION 11th/12th May, 2024.

The BUCKET COLLECTION for the PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND for repairs and maintenance to our buildings will take place after the Masses this weekend 11th/12th May.