



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 10<sup>th</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

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**Priests**  
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**Parish Office**  
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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 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.

**History of St. John the Baptist Church Blackrock.**  
**Leaflets on the history of St. John the Baptist Church are available to take home. They are placed in baskets, at the back of the Church and in the porch.**

**GOOD NEWS STAND**



Please visit our **Good News Stand** (in front of the Shrine to St. Thérèse) which has a variety of prayer cards, books of reflection and newly arrived candles of Our Lady of Fatima and Padre Pio. They are all available to purchase.

**The Youth 2000 Summer Festival**  
Join young people between 16 and 35 this month at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from **next Thursday 15th August to Sunday 18th August 2024.**  
**The festival includes inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation and healing service and Mass. Donation only and we have free buses going from all over Ireland.**  
**For more information and to book your place go to [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)**

**PRAYER CARDS**  
We have a selection of prayer cards available at the back of the Church.  
Donation of 50 cent is welcome.



**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Mass at 1.05 p.m.**

**Answering God's Call**  
**Mary, mother of God,**  
**Mary mother of compassion,**  
**we ask for your prayers.**  
**Mother of all who are poor,**  
**you said 'yes' to God's call.**

**We give thanks**  
**for the inspiration of all the women**  
**who have answered God's call**  
**throughout time –**  
**for those who are known as saints**  
**and for those whose names are**  
**hidden**  
**but whose work lives on.**

**We celebrate the example**  
**of women who transform their own**  
**lives**  
**and the lives of others,**  
**by answering Christ's call**  
**to feed those who are hungry**  
**and give drink to those who thirst.**

**Mary, mother of us all,**  
**the urgent cries of the hungry**  
**can still be heard today –**  
**call us to answer,**  
**help us to hear.**  
**Inspire us and move us,**  
**as we battle to bring about a better**  
**world.**

**We ask all this in the name of**  
**Jesus, your Son, Amen.**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**



**FINANCE UPDATE**  
Acknowledgement Letters for 2023 were sent recently by Fr Peter to those of you who so generously continue to support the Church. Donations to the Parish, and Easter, Summer and Christmas Dues totalling €250 or more in a year enable the Parish to avail of the charity tax rebate of up to 45% of the value of the donations. We thank all of you who have already returned the tax rebate Enduring Certificates.

If you are new to the Parish and/or you would like to contribute to the running costs of the Parish by regular standing order or annual donation, there are forms available at the doors with Enduring Certificates attached.

Thank you to everyone who returned their Summer Dues for the support of the priests of the Parish and the active, sick, and retired priests of the Diocese.