



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

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**Priests**  
 Fr. Peter O'Connor P.P. 01 288 21 04  
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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.

**Organ Recital**  
**Star of the Sea Church Sandymount.**  
**We look forward to a recital by Prof Gerard Gillen on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September, at 5pm. In this short concert, Gerard will be joined by boy soprano, Cillian DeFrein.**



**Blackrock Hospice Coffee Morning will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept at 10:15am All welcome and do drop in if you are free. Thank you for supporting your local Hospice.**

**Volunteers**  
 Volunteer forms are available in the Church if you would like to help. The forms may be returned to the safe in the Church, or the letterbox in the Parish Centre. We invite you to look at the photos on the board in St. Anne's Chapel.

**Association of Catholics in Ireland**  
**Talk with Gráinne Doherty**  
 "Go and Tell"  
 The Prophetic Voice of Women in and to the Catholic Church  
 Thu 19<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2024 – 8.00 p.m.  
 click the link on our webs <https://acireland.ie/27245-2/>

**ST BERNADETTE – RELIC PILGRIMAGE**  
 In September and October, the relics of St Bernadette will visit three churches in Dublin:

**Our Lady of Victories, Ballymun Road, September 25-26;**  
**Mary Immaculate, Inchicore, October 23-24;**  
**Adam & Eve's, Merchants Quay, October 25-26.**

For more information, visit [www.stbernadette.ie](http://www.stbernadette.ie)

**A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE**  
 A prayer for healing is available at the back of the Church to take home if you so wish. Fr. Peter recommends if you would like to read Bishop Leahy's statement please see the following link.  
<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/2024/09/08/bishop-leahy-says-impact-of-abuse-at-schools-is-beyond-comprehension-and-a-sword-through-all-our-hearts/>



**This weekend, September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>,** Crosscare will hold its Annual Appeal for those most in need. **This will replace the Share collection at all Masses.** Crosscare delivers a wide range of homeless, youth, and food poverty support to people at various stages of poverty or marginalisation. Regrettably, the demand for these vital services continues to increase, and Crosscare relies on your generosity to reach as many people as possible who need help. Please support the Crosscare collection if you can or you can donate online at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie).

- As a brief example of our work with those most in need-last year, we at Crosscare
- Provided accommodation for 800 individuals and families who have no home.
  - Supported 12,000 people, including those facing homelessness, those on low incomes, and those marginalised.
  - Helped 180 young people who left care when they turned 18 and faced life on their own.
  - Helped 750 families, including 1500 children who experienced food poverty.
  - Expanded our youth services-street work, detached work, and outreach to over 4,500 marginalised children, young people, and their families.

- Dates for your Diary.**
- **Safeguarding Weekend and Blessing of Schoolbags 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> September.**
  - **Harvest Thanksgiving 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> October.**
  - **Mission Sunday and Home and Away Weekend 19<sup>th</sup> /20<sup>th</sup> October.**
  - **Annual Mass of Remembrance 1<sup>st</sup> November.**