

Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

Website: www.sjb.ie Masses available on webcam Email: 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 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

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

**ADVENT TALKS IN GLASTHULE** 

Dalkey-Glasthule-Dun Laoghaire Parish
Partnership invites you to a short series of
Advent Conversations, "No Room at The Inn",
on Mondays 2nd, 9th and 16th December in St
Joseph's Church, Glasthule, at 7.30pm, followed
by refreshments in the Parish Centre. The
speakers are Fr Kevin Kiernan (Capuchin Day
Centre), Christiana Obaro (Story of a Migrant)
and Richard King (Crosscare).

**Everyone Welcome.** 

#### **November Altar List of the Dead**

The month of November gives us the opportunity to remember our dear departed when we enter their names on the Altar List of the Dead, so that they may be prayed for at all Masses during November and on the first Friday of each month for the coming year. If you wish to have the names of your loved ones inscribed on the list, there are envelopes at the back of the Church.

These can be returned in the collection baskets at Mass or to the Parish Office. Contributions and donations for the November List of the Dead go directly to support your local parish clergy when they offer prayers and Masses. We ask you to be as generous as possible in your contributions.

### **Saying Goodbye**

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November the principal of Carysfort National School retired. Mrs Norma Linehan has been the headmistress of Carysfort National School since 2014, and a member of staff for over 21 years.

On behalf of St. John the Baptist Parish, I wish her the best of luck and God's blessing for the future. Mrs. Lenihan has been a very good friend and support to our parish, especially during Covid and to me and to all the clergy and our parish family; for all her support I wish to say a very sincere thank you. Fr. Peter O'Connor, Adm.

Never underestimate
the Difference
you made
and the Lives
you touched.
Happy Retirement

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

In our ongoing efforts to make all you feel welcome and part of the Parish community, we propose to organise tea and coffee after 10am Mass in the Parish Centre on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December. We hope you will join us and that you will have the opportunity to meet some of your fellow parishioners.

Good News Stand
We have a selection of new books, calendars, and inspirational cards for you to choose from. They are all individually priced.

## **Parish Christmas Cards**

The Parish Christmas Cards will be available next week from the Parish Office and after Masses on Sunday. The intentions of those to whom the cards are sent will be remembered in a Triduum of Masses to be celebrated in preparation for the feast of Christmas. The second and third card is a regular card with no Mass intentions with a beautiful picture of the Bell Tower and Christmas Altar scene. The prices are listed below.



Triduum €4

€3 for 5 cards

€5 for 5 cards



# The OUTDOOR COLLECTION for the PARISH

MAINTENANCE FUND for repairs and maintenance to our buildings will take place after Masses this weekend the 23rd /24th November, 2024.

Your support is greatly appreciated

## **PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Finance Committee met on Wednesday last, 20th November. The parish accounts for 2023 will be presented to the parish in January. The Parish Offering envelopes introduced last Christmas and at Easter this year proved very successful, as indeed did the quarterly Outdoor Collections for the Parish Maintenance Fund. Both of these initiatives will be continued, and we are most grateful for your generous support which will make a substantial difference to the parish income for 2024.