



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 15th /16th February, 2025.

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Priests
 Fr. Peter O'Connor P.P. 01 288 21 04
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Parish Office
 Hours: 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
 Tel: 01 288 21 04
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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.

2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Lourdes
 The dates are 4th to 9th September 2025, led by Archbishop Farrell. The Pilgrimage is a fully escorted tour including: direct return flight from Dublin to Lourdes, airport transfers and assistance between Lourdes Airport and the hotels, five nights' accommodation, meals, 20kg check-in luggage plus one small personal item in the cabin and full services of Joe Walsh Tours guides and representatives throughout. **FURTHER INFORMATION** info@joewalstours.ie



PH Cover 1 "Pockets of Hope"
 Dublin Jubilee Year 2025 Holy Year (Ordinary) Series: Once More Disappointed! Built of affliction for the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, 5th May, 2024, by Pope Francis.
 This project on Pockets of Hope is created by Fr. Alan Hillard and designed by Mary-Alice Ong.



'Pockets of Hope'
 Based on the message of Pope Francis for The Year of Jubilee 2025
Hope Does Not Disappoint



Pilgrimage of Hope A Journey with Pope Francis

WHAT: An invitation to journey on a mini Pilgrimage to contemplate the theme of Hope based on the words of Pope Francis's document written for this Jubilee Year 2025 entitled "Hope Does Not Disappoint".

WHO: For everyone seeking Hope.

WHERE: You're invited to come to the City and journey through Dublin City's four inner-city churches of St. Mary's Pro Cathedral, Marlborough Street, Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott Street, Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay** and St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row.

WHEN: Throughout the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025 beginning on the 29th Dec 2024.

WHY: Why not?

HOW: Download our map and directions by scanning our QR Code or just go to St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row and start there.



PH Cover 2 "Pockets of Hope" - 2025 was the 100th anniversary of the death of St. Peter, whose shrine is in Sean McDermott St. Church. **City Quay Street is closed for refurbishment. When events start alternative arrangements will be made.

POCKETS OF HOPE

Become a 'Pilgrim of Hope' as requested by Pope Francis for this Jubilee Year 2025. This is the official pilgrimage in Dublin in our diocese for this Year of Hope. There is also a pilgrim site in St Kevin's Church, Glendalough. Feel welcome to make the journey on your own or with a group of pilgrims.

Visit <https://dublindiocese.ie/jubilee2025/>

Bishop Donal Roche

Bishop Donal Roche was appointed as Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin in March 2023. He is the bishop that represents most of South East Dublin/Wicklow including our Parish grouping.



Next Sunday 23rd February, Bishop Roche will be saying the **10.00 a.m. and 12 noon Masses** in St. John the Baptist, at the invitation of the Parish Council. The Parish Council will provide refreshments in the Parish Centre after the 10.00 a.m. Mass, for those who wish to join us to welcome Bishop Roche.

Bishop Roche is a native of Dublin and has ministered in schools and in the parishes of Wicklow Town and Cabinteely. We look forward to Bishop Roche's pastoral visit next weekend, and ask you to give him a warm Blackrock welcome.

Many thanks with gratitude for your continuing support.

Fr. Peter.

Join Accord
 Support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage by training as a facilitator with Accord.

APPLY TODAY

FOR MORE CONTACT ACCORD ON: marriagepreparation@accord.ie 01-5053112

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service providing relationship and family support for over 60 years.

The ANNUAL COLLECTION for ACCORD Dublin

The Annual Collection for Accord Dublin the Diocesan Agency for Marriage, and the Family, will be held at all Masses this weekend **15th & 16th February 2025.**

ACCORD throughout the Diocese continues to offer:

- Marriage Preparation courses-online.
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for Schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever. Please give generously.

Holy Water

Here is a list of eight ways to use holy water in your everyday life:

1. Bless Yourself
2. Bless Your House
3. Bless Your Family
4. Bless Your Work Space
5. Bless Your Car
6. Bless Your Garden
7. Bless the Sick
8. Bless Your Pets



We have Holy Water available in the Church in small bottles which are recyclable. Please leave a donation