



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 17th /18th May, 2025.

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Masses available on webcam

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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
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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.

Coffee Morning - Parish Pastoral Council

In our ongoing efforts to make all you feel welcome and part of the Parish community, we are having tea and coffee after 10am Mass in the Parish Centre on this **Sunday 18th May**. We hope you will join us and that you will have the opportunity to meet some of your fellow parishioners.

Easter Dues

The Easter Dues and Easter Parish envelopes have now been distributed, if you did not receive these envelopes there are some available in the Church should you wish to take them. The Dues support the priests of the parish and the diocese. They may be returned to the safe at the back of the Church, or to the post box on the Parish Centre door.

Church Contributions

There are two Tap Machines at the back of the Church.

- In the 'Donate to Parish' Tap machine your contributions go towards candles, booklets, Church maintenance and repairs.

- In the 'Mass Collections' Tap machine the contributions go towards the **FIRST AND SECOND COLLECTIONS** that are announced at Mass.

BLACKROCK MEALS ON WHEELS

Volunteers are needed to help with food preparation or as drivers for Tuesdays. Please email blackrockmealsonwheels@gmail.com with your contact details. Thank you.

POPE LEO XIV



POPE LEO XIV COAT OF ARMS



The shield is divided diagonally into two sections. The upper half features a blue background with a white lily.

The lower half of the shield has a light background and displays an image that recalls the Order of St Augustine: a closed book with a heart pierced by an arrow.

Pope Leo XIV has also chosen a motto that reflects this Augustinian tradition: **“In Illo uno unum”**, which means **“In the One, we are one”**. The phrase is taken from Saint Augustine's Exposition on Psalm 127, where he explains that “although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one”.

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMS

Dear Lord
Guide me to do my very best
In my upcoming exams.
Calm my fears,
Help me be positive,
Give me confidence.
So that any anxiety will
Not get in the way.
Let the work I have done,
Stand to me today.
Lord, I know you will be
There for me always.
Thank You Lord
Amen.



Reflection Evening

To our Sunday Mass Co-Ordinators, all of our Stewards and Collectors, those who count the collections, our flower arrangers and all those who clean the Church:

There is a gathering in the **PARISH CENTRE** on **TUESDAY 20th MAY at 7:30 P.M.**

The purpose will be to meet with Fr Peter O'Connor and the Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council, Catherine O'Carroll. It will also be a wonderful opportunity to meet with each other; especially those who serve at different Mass times.

Refreshments will be served. We look forward to welcoming you.

With every blessing and good wish,
Fr Peter.