



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 23rd /24th August, 2025.

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Priests

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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.

Join us for Café Conversations in the context of our place in God's Creation.

Dates: Monday Sept 1st, 8th & 15th
10.30 – 12 noon.

Venue: Church of the Guardian Angels,
Newtownpark Ave.

Facilitators: Tony Horgan MSC,
Anna Byrne DC

Further Information & registration please contact: annabyrne@daughtersofcharity.ie
by August, 29th.

A Prayer for School

As we begin a new school year, we ask for your help and pray your blessing on everybody in our schools.

Show us how to work together for the good of all.

May we share our talents and abilities to the full and grow in knowledge, wisdom and happiness.

Give us the grace to become more like Jesus in the ways we think and behave.

During this school year let us become builders of your ways and instruments of your peace.



A Student's Prayer for a New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience your presence in the many blessings you put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience your presence in my new friends.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

Amen.



A Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

**Christ, Prince of Peace,
hear our prayer and lament,
for our suffering sisters and brothers.
Our hearts are heavy as we witness lives torn apart,
as we see the faces of frightened children
and hear the pleas of those without water or food.**

**We pray for the dead and the grieving,
for the injured and the afraid.
We pray for courage and perseverance,
for those working for healing and to bring aid.
We pray for world leaders,
that they may strive for a just and lasting peace.**

**God of new beginnings,
in your ways are compassion and hope.
Open our hearts to dialogue and understanding.
Lead us all to answer your call
to become peacemakers
today, and all the days of our life.**

Amen.

(A copy of the Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Eamon Martin on a Day of Prayer and Reflection for Gaza is available in the Church).

Dublin Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes

A big thank you to all those who were involved in organizing the Lourdes Associate Membership. The amount received from the parishioners of Blackrock Parish was €1,506.00.

The enrolment sheets containing the names of the Parish Associates will be placed at the Grotto in Lourdes and Mass will be offered for the intentions of all our contributors during the Dublin Diocese Pilgrimage.