



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 12th / 13th September, 2026.

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
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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.

Dates for your Diary.

Crosscare Collection next weekend
19th/20th September.

Parish Bucket Collection
26th/27th September.
The Bucket Collection for the Parish
Maintenance Fund.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Fr. Peter would like to thank all those for their ideas and great work, in creating the beautiful Harvest Garden.



Blackrock Hospice Coffee Morning
Blackrock Hospice Coffee Morning will take place on Thursday 24th Sept at 10:15am.

All are welcome and please do drop in if you're free.

Thank you for supporting your local Hospice.



Invitation to Join the Choir.

If you would like to join the choir please contact Catherine Hughes after the 12 noon Mass on Sunday's.

SEASON OF CREATION 2026 PRAYER

Living Water

Holy God, whose Spirit hovered over the waters at the beginning, we gather as part of your community of all creation, thirsty for your grace. We give thanks for the gift of water, the veins of our common home, that sustains the cedar and the whale, the pasture and the city. We are grateful for the local waters that nourish our homelands and our fellow creatures. We give thanks that in your well-watered garden, every drop is a sacred testament to your love.

Yet, we confess that we have treated this gift as a mere commodity. We have choked the seas with our waste and watched the warming tides rise in judgment. We lament the cracked earth of the drought-stricken and the salty tears of the climate refugee. Melt our frozen hearts, O God, and let the waters of repentance flow.

Lord of all Life, you promised that wherever the river flows, everything shall live. Stir in us a calling to care for the waters — to protect the watershed, defend the rights of water, and honor the dignity of the thirsty. May your Word be a spring within us, gushing forth for the healing of the nations.

May God our Father who brought water from the rock sustain us in the desert. May Christ our Lord who is Living Water refresh us for the work of restoration. And may the Holy Spirit carry us on currents of grace until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amen.

