



Parish of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock. Parish Newsletter 10th /11th October, 2026.

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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
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 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.

Carysfort National School Admissions 2026/2027.

Carysfort National School will begin accepting applications for school year 2026/2027 from Thursday 1st October until Friday 13th November inclusive. They are switching to online application only via the school website <https://carysfortns.ie/admissions/>.

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.

Dates for your Diary

- World Mission Sunday
17th/18th October, 2026.

The collection for World Mission Sunday will take place **next weekend 17th/18th October** and will replace the **SECOND COLLECTION**

- Annual Mass of Remembrance
Tuesday 10th November,
at 7.30 p.m.

HOME AND AWAY

This weekend near the front of the Church a map of the world will be displayed. Beside the map there will be some stick-on arrows with room on each arrow for a name of a person or family. This is an opportunity for people to remember their loved ones who live far away outside of Ireland. Many parishioners have loved ones whom they left behind to come to Ireland or have relations who have emigrated or live abroad. Home and Away Week is an opportunity to pray together and remember those who live far away, but are very close to our hearts. You can place the arrow containing their loved one's names on the map of the world where their loved one's lives. They can say a prayer and light a candle.



Prayer for those who are Home and Away

How often, Lord,
Would I wish to stretch across the miles,
And touch loved ones far away,
Or be whisked on angel's wings to their very side.
Be with them in all they do,
And when their hearts Grow lonely and homesick,
When they long to see and hold their loved ones,
Touch them, Lord, with the touch of your presence.
Hold them in your embrace,
Help them feel better,
Knowing that in your love,
We are all close together.
Amen.

The Lumen Dominican Centre

Evening courses resume next week and run on a Wednesday and Thursday evening for six weeks. Here is a link to our courses on our website <https://lumenop.ie/product-category/courses-autumn-2026/> or call the centre at 01-2882075. All are welcome.

Crosscare Collection.

We wish to thank all those who contributed to the Crosscare collection on the weekend of the 19th/20th September. The amount raised was €2,490-60

Outdoor Collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund.

The amount raised on the weekend of the 26th/27th September was €1,718.00. Thank you for your continued support.

This Saturday 10th October, at the 6.30 p.m. vigil Mass we welcome the children from Carysfort National School, who are preparing to make their Confirmation.