



St. Joseph's (SMA Church) Blackrock Road Parish.
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Ballinlough, Blackrock, Blackrock Road and Mahon



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Parish Bulletin: Fourth Sunday of Easter, Day of Prayer for Vocations, 21st April 2024

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 7.00 pm
Weekdays: 7.15 am and 10 am
Holy Days: 7.15 am and 10 am
Confessions: 10.30 am Saturday
Adoration: First-Fridays 10.30 am-12 noon

Sunday: 10.00am and 12 noon.
Bank/Public Holidays: 10 am only

Intentions for weekend Masses

7.00 pm Saturday Noel Downey R.I.P Anniversary
10.00 am Sunday Pro Populo
12 noon Sunday Pascal Carey R.I.P Anniversary
Please Pray for May Barry R.I.P

Remembrance/Anniversaries: Margaret McMahon/ May Barry/ Minnie (Mary) McCarthy/ Imelda Barry/ Alf McCarthy.

Recently Deceased: Tony Bennett R.I.P. Mary Fitzgerald R.I.P. John R. Sisk R.I.P

SMA Pilgrimage to Knock: Saturday 25th May 2024

- Bus departing from SMA Church, Blackrock Road at 06:30 am.
- Estimated time of return is 10:00 pm.
- Cost of travel on the Bus is €30. Please book at Reception.
- Tea/Coffee and Scones(morning) and Evening Meal: €30.00 per person. Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis.

Tea & Coffee Morning: Will take place on Thursday 25th April after 10 am Mass in the Parish Office. All welcome! Please bring a friend to this little social gathering.

Cork Light Orchestra: Back by popular demand!! The Cork Light Orchestra will be performing at the First Fruits Art Centre, Watergrasshill, County Cork T56X O21 on Sunday 21st April 2024 from 6:30 - 7:45 pm. No charge, donations welcomed!

Ethiopia Deaf Project: Will host a charity concert at Holy Trinity Church, Cork City on Saturday 18th May at 7:00 pm. The inspirational Whitehorse Gospel Choir, along with solo performers Aine Whelan and U.M.A.N. Tickets (€15) are available online now at: <https://tinyurl.com/37ekmkaz> or directly from the Sacristy at Holy Trinity Church.

Thinking about the Priesthood?: There is a special "Come and See" afternoon for men aged 18 and 40 who may be thinking about Priesthood for the Diocese of Cork and Ross. It will take place from 2-5 pm on Sunday April 28th in Mardyke House, Cork City (T12 W8RP). The afternoon will include time for prayer, reflection, discussion and a social dimension. For more information email vocations@corkandross.org

Prayer for Vocations: God our Father, send workers into your harvest. May the Spirit we received in baptism touch the hearts of many to offer themselves in priesthood, religious life and other forms of service. Give the parents and families of our diocese the wisdom and courage to support young people in searching for and following the call of God in their lives. Though Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.

Cork Alzheimers Café: Is a safe place for people with Alzheimers and other dementias, their carers, family and friends along with social and health professionals to meet. Next meeting: Friday 26th April, 11 am - 12.30 pm, St Finbarr's Hospital, Douglas Road. Light refreshments provided free of charge. All welcome.

Easter Dues: Envelopes **are still available** at the back of the Church. Priests depend on it!

Tap Machines: We have three "**Tap to Donate Machines**" in the Church. We kindly ask you to make use of this way to donate to our Church.

Fr. Paddy Moran C.S.Sp Mission Awareness Programme: The envelope collection amounted to €990.70. Thank you.

69th Cork International Choral Festival: As part of this year's Sacred Trail Programme we look forward to welcoming the Namdal Vokalensemble Choir (Norway), to our Parish, to sing at the 10 am Sunday Mass on the 5th of May. All welcome. Come and support them.

Parish Church Toilet Facilities: New toilet facilities are now open in the Main Reception building. Entrance is through the main office door. **If door is closed-over, be assured that it is not locked! Sacristans have keys also.**

Recent Baptism: We welcome James Lonergan and Alex Moloney into the Christian Family.

Church Gate Collection next weekend: Cork Deaf Association.

Second collection this weekend: Diocesan Needs: The last Diocesan Needs Quarterly Collection in January 2024 amounted to €51,765 throughout the Diocese, which is much appreciated. This quarterly collection allows the Diocese to provide important ongoing supports to parishes in many areas from Education, School Religious Advisory, Mission & Ministry, Youth Ministry, Governance such as Data Protection, Safeguarding and Finance as well as the related staff costs and ongoing utilities. People continue to be very generous to these quarterly collections over the years, for which the Diocese is most grateful. Your support to this weekend's collection would be greatly appreciated.

Corpus Christi Procession: Sunday May 26th. Leaves Cathedral at 3:00 pm.