



**St. Joseph's (SMA Church) Blackrock Road Parish**  
**within the Family of Parishes:**  
**Ballinlough, Blackrock, Blackrock Road and Mahon**



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## Parish Bulletin: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 14th July 2024

### Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil:** 7.00 pm      **Sunday:** 10.00am and 12 noon.  
**Weekdays:** 7.15 am and 10 am      **Bank/Public Holidays:** 10 am only  
**Holy Days:** 7.15 am and 10 am  
**Confessions:** 10.30 am Saturday  
**Adoration** First-Fridays 10.30 am-12 noon

### Intentions for weekend Masses

**7.00 pm Saturday** Jack Hegarty R.I.P Anniversary.  
**10.00 am Sunday** Pro Populo.  
**12 noon Sunday** Marie Harrington R.I.P Second Anniversary.  
**Remembrance/Anniversaries:** Marie Harrington. Seamus Barry.  
**Recently Deceased:** Canon Bernard Donovan. Fr. Peter Thompson SMA R.I.P

**Synodality:** In October 2021, Pope Francis launched a three year journey of reflection and consultation on what it means to be Church, a People of God called to witness to Christ. The Pope wants all the members of the Church to be involved in this journey, not just priests and religious. He is inviting all members to walk and work together, listening to one another and to the Spirit which we have all received in baptism. This is what Synodality means. Synodality is the way in which the Holy Spirit leads the Church, strengthening it to continue witnessing to the Good News of Christ to the World of our time. In a series of short presentations, Fr. Michael McCabe SMA has helped us understand what Synodality is and the kind of Church Pope Francis wants us to create. Please scan these QR codes below to access his short presentation videos.



<https://youtu.be/fIMnDNEV7Ec?si=XiDNEJh7wcQnbOJw> (Part 1 of 3)  
<https://youtu.be/9gO7FstExKY?si=IGv5-HgSV-niAv2x> (Part 2 of 3)

**SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 15th - 20th September 2024. Hotel Roissy. €949 per person sharing. Please contact Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 for more information.

**Veritas, Cork:** Will close on Friday, 19th July 2024. Located at 22, Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork, T12 P031. Special discounts and bargains are available. It offers a diverse range of religious books, gifts, educational and pastoral resources.

**Providing Compassionate Care at the end of Life:** To address the sensitive issue of compassionate care at the end of life, and in response to the need to inform the faithful of Catholic Teaching on this important issue that affects all families, the Bishops of Ireland have published the pastoral letter: **Freedom to live Fully, Until Death Comes.** **Contact Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. See: [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)** There are copies available at the back of the Church.

**P.A.F.A (Parish Aid For Africa):** We welcome Fr. Ignatius Malwa SMA to our parish this weekend. He will speak about our parishes recent donation towards the purchase of 30 new desks for the SMA community School in Chipulukusu, Ndola.

**Catechism Notes:** 'Virtue is a habitual and firm disposition to do good... The human virtues are stable dispositions of the intellect and will that govern our acts, order our passions and guide our conduct in accordance with reason and faith. They can be grouped around the four cardinal virtues: **prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance...** There are three theological virtues: **faith hope and charity.**

**A Thank you Note:** A big thank you to Sacristan Michael, for putting up the hand rails at the front door of the Church and helping us to be safe.

**Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart- Pilgrimage to Knock:** Sunday 21st July 2024. Mass at 3pm will be followed by Eucharistic Blessing and Procession to the Shrine. Pioneers along with friends and relations of people who are living "one day at a time" with addiction are welcome.

**Three- Day Residential Retreats 2024:** De La Salle Retreat Centre, Castletown, Co. Laois, R32 N6D8. 23rd - 25th July. 30th July - 1st August. 6th - 8th August. Contact Margaret: 0872312066. Oonagh 0861736181.

**Tusla Fostering:** Want to make a positive difference to a child's life? Email: [tusla.fostering@tulasm.ie](mailto:tusla.fostering@tulasm.ie)

**Welcome Fr. Raphael Tchassiwa SMA:** Fr Raphael will be helping in the parish over the Summer months. He is from Togo, West Africa.

**Towards a Parish Evaluation:** Consider the following:  
1. Write three **APPRECIATIONS** about our Parish.  
2. Write three **ENCOURAGEMENTS** for our Parish.  
3. Write three **CHALLENGES** for our Parish.  
4. Write three **TASKS** that you might like to do for your parish.

Keep it simple and put your responses in an envelope for Fr. John Denvir.