



**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: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 21st 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** William Lyons R.I.P Anniversary.  
**10.00 am Sunday** Pro Populo.  
**12 noon Sunday** John Roche R.I.P 1st Anniversary.  
**Remembrance/Anniversaries:** Alistair Welch. Michael Lombard. John Roche 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 has invited all members to walk and work together, listening to one another and to the Spirit which we have all received in baptism. The second session of the Synod will begin in October 2024. Fr. Michael McCabe SMA has helped us understand what Synodality is and the kind of Church Pope Francis wants us to create. **As we now look towards the second session in October 2024 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)  
[https://youtu.be/1i7W\\_hXZG\\_I](https://youtu.be/1i7W_hXZG_I) (Part 3 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.

**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.

**Cork Alzheimer Café:**  Last Friday of 'every' month at 11:00am to 12:30 pm in the Activity Centre, Saint Finbar's Hospital, Douglas Road, Cork.

**Recent Baptism:** We welcome Anna Noelle Barrett in to the Christian Community.

**Saints' Dates in July:** 22nd Saint Mary Magdalene. 23rd Saint Brigid of Sweden. 24th Saint Declan and Saint Sharbel Makhlūf of Lebanon. 25th Saint James the Apostle and Saint Christopher. 26th Saints Joachim and Anne. Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Catechism Notes.**  Civic Responsibility: Citizens should work with civil authority to build a society of truth, justice, solidarity and freedom. In conscience, citizens may not obey civil laws that are contrary to the moral order.

### 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.

**Bulletin Sponsorship: July:** In memory of Sean and Breda Hanley and Liam and Rita Leisk.

### Calling all Young Musicians and Singers:

Any young musicians and singers out there? Could we come together to form a little group and choir that could sing and play at our 10:00 am Mass on Sundays. A little "folk group" would be lovely in our Parish Church. We would love to hear and see guitars, flutes, clarinets, trumpets, keyboards and young voices etc. An adult leader would be required to take the lead of this group (Church Safeguarding). Let us take the risk and bring forth our youths' talents for the Church. Contact 0874744341

**P.A.F.A. (Parish Aid for Africa):** We thank Fr Ignatius Malwa SMA for his recent visit and report where he thanked all parishioners for their generous contribution towards the purchase of 30 desks for the SMA School Chipulukusu, Zambia.

**Second Collection: Diocesan Needs:** The last Diocesan Needs Quarterly Collection in April amounted to €51,584 throughout the Diocese, which is much appreciated. This quarterly collection allows the Diocese to provide important ongoing supports to parishes in many areas. Your support this weekend would be greatly appreciated.