



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



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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: 17th November 2024. World Day of the Poor



Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 7.00 pm **Sunday:** 10.00 am and 12 noon.
Weekdays: 7.15 am and 10:00 am **Bank/Public Holidays:** 10:00 am only.
Holy Days: 7.15 am and 10:00 am
Adoration: First-Fridays 10.30 am-12 noon.



Confessions: 10.30 am Every Saturday after Mass.

Intentions for Weekend Masses

7.00 pm Saturday: Michael, Kit & Peter O' Loughlin & O' Leary Family Anniversary.
10.00 am Sunday: Pro Populo.
12 noon Sunday: Finbarr Lawless RIP Anniversary.
Remembrance/ Anniversaries: Michael Lombard. Chrisie O' Flaherty. Mary, Paddy and Owen Cotter. Betty Mahon RIP.

Blessing of Graves:   Fr. Jerome is available to visit your loved one's graves for the month of November. Kindly ring the Parish Office on Mondays or Fridays.

Connect 5 - an invitation to young adults (18 to 35 years): Do you want to know more about your faith? There will be a special event for young adults in Devere Hall in UCC on Sunday November 17th with **CONNECT 5**. It begins at 09:30 am and Katie Ascough (Founder of "Called to More") and Fr Columba Jordan CFR will present at this event. *The theme is: "In a troubled world, Dare to Hope"*. There will be Mass, quiet time for prayer, confessions and lunch will be provided. There is a €10 registration fee. Search eventbrite.ie for **CONNECT 5** or scan the QR code on posters and flyers at the back of the Church.

 **Children's Adoration:**  On First Friday of each month from 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm in St Michael's Church, Blackrock. Join us for guided meditation, songs and time with Jesus. Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. For more information contact: Katie (087 7798175).



 **Forever Loved, Forever Cherished - Special Remembrance Service:** 



Farranree Parish will host a special **Remembrance Service** for Children lost during pregnancy or at birth at 7:00 pm, on Friday evening, 29th November 2024, in the Church of the Resurrection, Farranree. Anyone or any family who has experienced the heartache of losing a child during pregnancy or at birth, no matter how long ago that loss may have occurred, are welcome to join us in remembering your precious child and honouring them in ritual and in prayer.

The Sacrament of Confirmation: Confirmation Mass for the children of Scoil Iósaf Naofa, Ballintemple National School will take place on Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 10:30 am. There will be no 10:00 am Mass on that day. Mass at 07:15 am only.

Elections 2024: No Canvassing on Church property please.


Second Collection: Church Renovation Fund.

Christmas Parish Concert:   Will take place on Sunday 8th December at 5:00 pm. Featuring The City of Cork Male Voice Choir, Caroline Fraher, St. Joseph's SMA Parish Blackrock Road Choir, Passage West Church Choir and Ramelo Gregorio. Admission is Free. Collection on the night for Pieta Cork. MC on the night: PJ Coogan (Cork's 96FM).

! Church Roof Repairs and Painting: !
Work has progressed on the roof and now new skylights have been put on the roof of our Shrine to Saint Theresa.   There is no access to the Gallery, even if there is no work going on there! Gallery ceiling will be attended to shortly.

 **SMA Provincial Assembly June/ July 2025**

Fr. John Denvir will attend this Assembly. He will represent those SMAs working in the Parishes in Ireland. **What issues for discussion would you want Fr Denvir to bring to this important Assembly?** Please discuss, once again, how you see the future of Saint Joseph's Parish. We need to ask some difficult questions, such as: **"Can we continue as a parish without the attendance/presence of young families and children?"** **What is the alternative if we do not continue as a parish?"** **Write three positive things about our parish as it exists now.** Give your response in writing to Fr Denvir.

Advent Reflection:  Afternoon of Reflection on Sunday 8th December from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm for Ministers of the Eucharist, Ministers of the Word and **Others** who are actively involved in the Family of Parishes of Ballinlough, Blackrock, Blackrock Road and Mahon. To be held in Blackrock Parish Centre.

Christmas Confessions: Ballinlough on Monday 16th December at 7:00 pm, Blackrock Road on Wednesday 18th December at 7:30pm, Mahon on 14/15 December after Masses and Blackrock Parish 21/22 after Masses.