

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

Ballinlough, Blackrock, Blackrock Road and Mahon

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Year of Hope. Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. 13th April.

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

Michael, Judy and Alfred Buckley RIP. 7.00 pm Saturday:

10.00 am Sunday: Pro Populo.

12 noon Sunday: Michael Murphy RIP 6th Anniversary.

Remembrance/ Anniversaries: Tony Bennett. Sean Rutledge. Jim Rodgers. Marie, Paddy and Marian Murphy. Dan Murray. RIP.

Chrism Mass: Bishop Fintan invites all parishioners to join in the celebration of the Mass of the Chrism on Holy Thursday (April 17th) at 10 am at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne, Cork. It would be wonderful to see people from every parish there, especially those involved in ministry.

Jubilee Pilgrimage of 7 Altars of Repose, Cork City, Holy Thursday Evening: This will begin after the 7:30 pm Mass in the Cathedral with a brief period of adoration at the altar of repose. The Pilgrim walk will then proceed to St Mary's, Holy Trinity, the South Parish, St Augustine's, St Francis', and finish with night prayer at Ss Peter and Pauls at 10pm. It will be led by Bishop Fintan Gavin. Please see **corkandross.org** for more details.

Easter Programme 2025.

- Palm Sunday 13th April: Vigil 7:00 pm and 10:00 am and 12 Noon Sunday.
- Holy Thursday 17th April: Mass of the Lords Supper @ 7pm.
- Good Friday 18th April: Stations of the Cross at 12 Noon. Veneration of the Cross at 3pm.
- **Easter Vigil 19th April:** Mass at 7:00 pm.
- 🐣 Easter Sunday 20th April: 10 am and 12 Noon.

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday after 10:00 am Mass during Lent. Many thanks to Mary Cusack and Ita MacGruairc for participating.

Easter Flowers: Donations towards flowers for Easter would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Easter Dues' Envelopes: are available at the back of the church. Easter Dues are for the support of the priests of the parish.

MS Ireland (Multiple Sclerosis): Church Gate Collection this weekend.

Second Collection: Church Renovation fund.

Daffodil Day Collection: The Sum of €267 was collected. Thanks!

Lough Derg 2025 Pilgrimage Season(Pilgrims of Hope): See Poster on Notice Board. Three Day Pilgrimage, Quiet Day, Residential Retreat, One Day Retreat, Heritage day, Lakeshore Pilgrimage.

Uncle Phil (Parish Critic) says, "I am not one for gossip, but on a recent visit to the church I smelled the coffee. My tongue was hanging out for a cup of good strong "drawn" tea, the kind that would have been drawn in a teapot, like what your parents reared you on. What I got from the group gathered there was one tea bag "dunked" in hot water! I thought the **older** generation there, would have known how to

"draw" tea. 🏐 On my world travels I had heard of "Dunken Dounuts". Now I can start a new product of "Dunken Teabags"!



SMA Pilgrimage to Knock: Saturday 24th

May 2025. Bus departing from St. Joseph's SMA Church, Blackrock Road at 8:30 am sharp! Estimated time of return is 10:00 pm. Cost of travel on the bus is €30, non refundable and cash only. Please book at Reception. Seperately, tea/coffee and scones (morning) and an evening meal costs €31.00 per person. This is payable on the day. (Treacy's West County, Ennis). Make this a Pilgrimage of Hope.



SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 14th

September 2025 for 5 nights. Spiritual Director, Fr. Martin Kavanagh SMA. €995 per person sharing. 5 nights' accommodation in the Hotel Roisy. Full Board. Please contact Niamh at Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 or email info@joewalshtours.ie

70th Cork International Choral Festival: We look forward to welcoming the Kammerkoret Nova Choir (Norway) to our church on Sunday 4th May at 10:00 am.

🖳 CONNECT 6 🙋 Faith Gathering For Young People aged 18 - 35. Saturday 10th May, 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Speaker: Sr Mary Grace SV (EWTN). Adoration, Pizza, Talk and Discussion.



Parish Finance Committee: Calling for

a retired professional, that is, someone who is competent in financial, accounting or banking matters, who would **come onboard** with our Parish Finance Committee. If you have these skills and wish to volunteer in the parish please contact Fr. John Denvir in the parish office.