



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



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Third Sunday of Lent. 8th March 2026

Sunday: 10.00 am and 12 Noon.
 Ballintemple National School, Portacabin, Boreenmanna Road.

Mass Times

Intentions for Sunday Masses

10:00 am Sunday: Pro Populo.
12 Noon Sunday: Jane O' Dowling Birthday Remembrance.

Remembrance/ Anniversaries: Kathleen Hickey. Dylla Higgins. Eileen White. RIP

St. Joseph's SMA Parish Roof Fundraising



Featuring the **Cork Light Orchestra: "Playing the Music you Love"**. Free admission.
 Donation on the day for the Church Roof and Ceiling Renovation. **Sunday 19th April 2026, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm, St Michael's Church, Blackrock.**

 **Easter Dues' Envelopes:** These dues are one of the major supports for the priests of the parish. As we have no functioning church at the moment, can everyone take a pack of Five Dues' Envelopes and help distribute them to your neighbours. This little task will be of great benefit to the parish.

Church Roof and Ceiling under Maintenance:

- i. All weekday Masses have ceased due to Building Site preparations.
- ii. Booked Weekday Masses will be celebrated in the private SMA Oratory.
- iii. Sunday Masses continue to be celebrated in the School Portacabin, at Ballintemple National School, Boreenmanna Road.
- iv. Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings are celebrated in Saint Michael's Church, Blackrock. Please book these celebrations through Saint Joseph's (SMA) Parish Office on 021 4616328. The Parish SMA Fathers will celebrate these occasions in Saint Michael's, once booked with the SMA parish office.

In this difficult time, we ask you to continue to be supportive of the Parish.

You can support the parish by any of the following: Please consider :

Cheque Cash Credit Transfer Standing Order.

The Bank Account Number for receipt of Credit Transfers and Standing Orders is:

IBAN IE97 BOFI 9028 1366 4151 45 BIC BOFIE2D

Account Name: Society of African Missions Church Account.

Easter Ceremonies: Due to the Church Roof Restorations, the SMA Church is temporarily closed. However, Easter Sunday Masses will be celebrated in the School Portacabin on Sunday 5th April at 10:00 am and 12:00 noon. The collection on the day is for the upkeep of the priests of the parish.

 Cork Lions Club: Are holding their annual Patrick's Hill Ball Run in aid of the Cork City First Responders, Glanmire First Responders and Glounthaune First Responders and Local Cork Charities at 2:00 pm on Sunday March 15th. It is a fun family event and all are welcome. They will also be collecting old spectacles for recycling to the third world. So bring along any old glasses and give them a new lease of life. Please support the fundraiser by buying balls on www.corklionsclub.ie

 Matt Talbot: Mass and Novena 2026, Way of the Cross Church, Togher:

- Monday 9th March 7:30pm, Fr. Charlie Nyhan P.E
- Monday 16th March, 6:30pm, Fr. John Walsh, P.P Togher Parish.
- Monday 23rd March 7:30 pm, Fr. Colin Doocey, Chaplain CUH.
- Monday 30th March 7:30 pm, Ronan Scully, Overseas Aid Development Worker with the Irish Charity Self Help Africa.

 **Ministry of Word:** Training will be given on 10th March and 19th March in the Blackrock Parish Centre. To date we have two new candidates who wish to commence with this training.

First Confessions: Congratulations to the pupils at Scoil Iósaf Naofa, Ballintemple for making their first confession. A big thank you to their teachers, Miss Ciara Johnson and Mr Bryan McCarthy for preparing these children so well. Congratulations to all parents who presented their children for this beautiful Sacrament.

 **SMA Pilgrimage to Knock:** Saturday 23rd May 2026. Keep this date for your diary. More details to follow.

 **Second Collection:** Irish Bishops' Commissions.