

St Michaels Parish Blackrock, Cork

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26/06/2022 13th Sunday Ordinary Time

BAPTISMS: Please contact the parish office.
MARRIAGES: Minimum 3 months notice required by Church and State. Pre-marriage course required.

Mass Times
Sundays: 9 am & 11 am
Working Holy Days: 10 am
Monday to Friday: 10 am
Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm
Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem

Baptisms
Aoife Ann Coakley.
Olan Thomas Coakley.
Kai Gerrard Delaney.
We welcome them into the Christian Family

Céilí na Carraige Duibhe will take place, for the first time in 3 years, at Blackrock Community Centre on Tuesday 28 th June at 7.15 pm.

ST. MICHAEL’S CEMETARY MASS.
Will be held on Wednesday 29th. June at 7.30pm.
Should the weather be unsuitable on the night .
Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church.

SECOND COLLECTION
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Peter’s Pence.

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
On Friday 1st July following morning Mass.
Rosary & Benediction at 5p.m.

There are sheets on the tables in the Church where Parishioners can indicate the times most suitable for them to be present. We would like that there would be at least 2 people present for each period.

Totus Tuus Pilgrimage to Fatima
September 5th -12th 2022
Seven nights in Hotel Steyler. Price: €735 pp
Spiritual Director: Fr. Marius O Reilly
Phone Damien 087-2049048 for more details

PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS
There are now 2 Defibrillators located in the Parish, one in the village & one outside Murphy’s Circle K Petrol Station. The code to operate both is 2017

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...
This week-end the Irish Catholic has a 32 page supplement The Synodal Times. Ireland's Synodal pathway is ongoing and the Synodal Times has news,analysis and commentary to break down what the synod is and what it means for the future of the Irish church.

“There’s a crack in everything, that’s how the light gets in” Reading and praying the Scriptures with Leonard Cohen.
The focus of this retreat will be on encountering the God of the Scriptures. To help us do that we will use the songs of Leonard Cohen, the poet and songwriter who has offered inspiration to millions of people around the world as they face the paradox of believing in a loving God while living in a broken world.

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Monthly Church Gate collection will take place on w/e July 8th/9th 2022
Your support as always, is greatly appreciated.

Diocese of Cork and Ross to the Pre Synodal Process. This diocesan synthesis is now submitted to form part of a national synthesis. The submission is also now available on our Diocesan website :

You may be using your mobile phone for Mass, if so, please ensure it is on silent. If not, please switch it off. Thank you

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Fr. Colin has generously offered the poor box near the exit as a collection point for SVP. If you wish to contribute any time, it would be appreciated.

The great story from Advent through Christmas and Easter to Pentecost has been told once more. Two additional feasts (Holy Trinity and Corpus Christi) have been marked. At this point, we re-enter “ordinary time.”

On Sunday 13C, we return to the continuous reading from Luke’s Gospel. As it turns out, our starting point (9:51-9:62) itself opens the central narrative in Luke, the journey from Galilee to Jerusalem (Luke 9:51-19:44).

This “coincidence” of starting at this point is a blessing: we are called again in our day to reflect on being a disciple of Jesus — central to us as the baptised, central to our community of faith and, not least, at the heart of the Synodal Pathway.

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FOLLOW THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS FROM GALILEE TO JERUSALEM 2022
Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, 31st August to 10th September, 2022.
Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra and Spiritual Director, Fr. John Newman (Scripture Scholar). In association with Premier Travel, Cork
Contact Mícheál at 086-8337681 or email info@carpediemtours.ie

Thought for the day
In our day, it seems to be hard for people to make and sustain life-long commitments. We think we can always press undo and we like our freedom. But there are different freedoms. Specifically, there is freedom of choice and freedom of choosing. Freedom of choice contemplates the options; freedom of choosing concretises and makes real some specific option. There is joy in freedom of choice; there is greater joy in freedom of having chosen and having made a decision.

Reflections
1. In the opening verse, Jesus is portrayed as having a new sense of clarity about his life that enables him to set out on the road ‘resolutely’. Perhaps there have been such moments in your life, moments of insight and clarity about the road ahead. Recall such moments and what they were like for you.
2. As he walked the road, Jesus found that not everyone supported the journey he was making. Some of his friends were angry and wanted to hit back, but Jesus restrained them. What has helped you to cope with opposition you have met in your life and to continue your journey.
3. The response of Jesus to prospective followers seems harsh. He lets the first man know that discipleship is not a path to a comfortable nest. It is a way in which we never know what is going to be asked of us next. The disciple must be ready to move on. Where have you found good news in being open to change confident in the presence of Jesus with you?

PRAYER
Sovereign God, ruler of our hearts, you call us to obedience and sustain us in freedom. Keep us true to the way of your Son, that we may leave behind all that hinders us and, with eyes fixed on him, walk surely in the path of the kingdom.
Grant this through Christ, our deliverance and hope, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God, for ever and ever.