St Michaels Parish Blackrock, Cork

9 am & 11 am

6.00 pm

9.30 am

30/10/2022 31st Sunday Ordinary Time

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Mass Times

Sundays: Saturday Vigil: Tuesday & Friday:

Fr Colin Doocey Adm.

Baptisms Louis Martin Duggan. Isabelle Beth Keohane.



We welcome them into the Christian Family

Recently Deceased

Anthony McCan, Beaumont, Ballintemple Helen Breen, Meadow Grove

May the light of heaven surround them always.

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL Monthly Church Gate collection will take place on w/e November 5/6th 2022 Your support as always, is greatly appreciated.

Holy Souls Novena Masses

Wed Nov 2nd 9.30am Holy Cross Thurs Nov 3rd 9.30am Holy Cross Fri Nov 4th 9.30am St Michaels Sat Nov 5th/Sun Nov 6th All Weekend Masses Both Churches Mon Nov 7th 9.30am Holy Cross Tues Nov 8th 9.30am St. Michaels Wed Nov 9th 9.30am Holy Cross Thurs Nov 10th 9.30am St. Michaels

Novena Envelopes

Envelopes and lists for the Holy Souls Novena are available on the tables in the church.

St. PIO Prayer Group of Our Lady

of the Rosary will recommence on Wednesday 26th October. We meet on the last Wednesday of every month with Rosary at 7.45pm followed by Mass at 8pm. In Ardfoyle Convent. Why not join us for a quiet unrushed hour? ALL WELCOME.

at 7:15pm in the Clayton Hotel, Silver



Anam Cara Cork, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 2nd November

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Springs, Cork City. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online service. For more info call 01 4045378

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY ...

 Tablet.
 (1) Where is God?
 —. Mysterious providence.
(2). Ukraine —. Vatican refuses to give up on need for negotiations.

(3). Cardinal Kasper says German Synodal path has failed

Irish Catholic. (1).Fr. Roman Sheehan, Cork's youngest priest, is excited to begin. (2) Michael Kelly: Saving our parishes from becoming well-run but dead bureaucracies. (3). Halloween habit mix-up is a chance for evangelisation, says Dominican priest. (4). David Quinn: The death of Savita Halappanavar ten years ago did not justify the repeal of the eight amendment. (5). Martin McDonagh's new film, The Bansheees of Inisherin, confronts us with the ultimate reality that each and every one of us will die, says Michael Kelly

Catholic Voice. (1). Canon J. Griffin: St. Anthony of Padua and the Lily. (2). 'It hurt me and my future': Women pressured into abortion share their stories of trauma and recovery. (3). Reason without the Search for Faith is insanity.

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FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. On Friday 4th November 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. If there are vacant periods we would appreciate volunteers to fill these times by putting their names on the list. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.

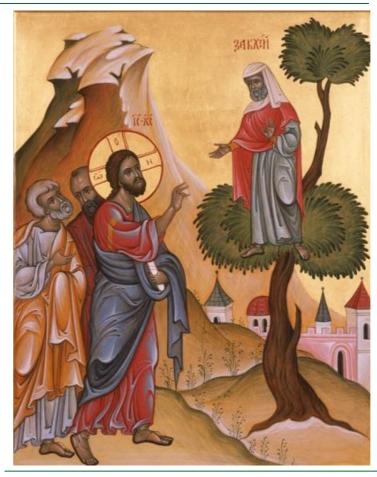
BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL Fr. Colin has generously offered the poor box near the exit as a collection point for SVP. If you wish to contribute any time, it would be appreciated.

WEEKLY MASS LEAFLET UPDATES:

Email to : info@stmichaelsblackrock.ie

Observations

The story of Zacchaeus will be (over?) familiar to anyone with children of First Communion age. While one can see its appeal to children, it is very much a grown-up story, with rich implications. To underline just four: Luke's affection for outsiders; another conversion story; the joy of hospitality; the "today" of salvation. The closing words of Jesus say it all: 'for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'







Best wishes to St Michael's in the **County Final.**

Photos courtesy George Hatchell

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

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

Thought for the day

hange is not an option because nothing remains the same. What is optional is how we respond to change. The Christian project—so apparently static and settled—is actually about the most revolutionary change which we call conversion. Conversion does not mean improving this or that in my life but resetting my whole compass. Jesus' foundational teaching is the invitation to convert and believe the Good News. For each of us, this is possible only because of our encounter with Jesus himself. Only in the light of that personal encounter does discipleship make sense; only in the light of personal relationship is true conversion of heart possible at all.

Prayer

Father, you call us to live and to change. May we hear the call to conversion, so as to live life abundantly.

K O'Mahony OSA

Reflections

1. Zacchaeus showed himself open to the call of Jesus, to the surprise of his contemporaries who thought there was no good in tax collectors. Sometimes the people who give us lessons in goodness may be people we previously disregarded. Recall when this happened for you.

2. It was the eagerness of Zacchaeus to see what kind of a man Jesus was that opened him up to conversion. When you consider moments of change in your life what were the interests or desires that prepared you for change?

3. The decision of Jesus to eat in the house of Zacchaeus broke the social norms of his day and scandalised those who saw him. When have you found table fellowship a useful way of breaking down artificial boundaries between people?

PRAYER

Just and merciful God, true Lord of every house, sure delight of every heart, come into our midst today to speak your word and satisfy our hunger. Enable us to see you clearly, to welcome you with joy and to give justice and mercy a place in our lives.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE:

Our annual Mass of Remembrance for parishioners who Died during the past 12 months will take place on FRIDAY 4th. NOVEMBER at 7.30pm.

The Blessing of the Graves at ST. JAMES CEMETERY. CHETWYND. TOGHER (Off the Bandon Road) will take place on SUNDAY 6TH. NOVEMBER, 2022 AT 3.00PM. ALL WELCOME

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

