

# St Michael's Parish, Blackrock, Cork

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## Corpus Christi

WEEKLY MASS LEAFLET UPDATES:

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BAPTISMS:

MARRIAGES:

Please contact the parish office.

Minimum 3 months notice required by Church and State.

Pre-marriage course required.

### Mass Times

**Sundays: 9 am & 11 am**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm**

**Tuesday & Friday: 9.30 am**

**Baptisms are held on the 2nd and 4th**

**Saturdays of each month at 4pm.**

**Fr. Michael Keohane Co-PP**



### Baptism

**Henry Karl Siebenhaar.**

**Shay Peter Murphy.**

Welcome to the Christian Family.



### School Holidays

Our parish primary schools will close for the summer holidays during the coming week. We are very appreciative as a parish for what our schools do for our children and their families. Please God, everyone will have a nice holiday and well-deserved rest.

We wish the Sixth Classes every blessing as they move on to post primary school in the autumn. This is a time to celebrate and also remember for them, their families and their schools. May the Lord bless into the future.

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Holy Cross Webcam is available at <https://www.churchmedia.tv/HCMahon>

St. Michael's Cemetery Mass will be on Wednesday 25th June @ 7.30pm.

Cork Eucharistic Procession – Sunday 22nd June - Blackrock Parish will join in the Procession as part of our Family of Parishes with Ballinlough, Blackrock Road & Mahon Parishes. We will convene at the Dominican Pastoral Centre adjacent to St. Mary's Church, Pope's Quay at 3pm to join the Procession as it comes down Mulgrave Road from the Cathedral. You are invited and encouraged to participate in the Procession.

**Cork Alzheimers Café** a safe place for people with Alzheimers and other dementias, their carers, family and friends along with social and health professionals to meet.

Last Friday of each month 11- 12.30 pm in St Finbarrs Hospital, Douglas Road.

Light refreshments provided free of charge. All welcome.

Friday - 27th June - Next Meeting

"Relaxation & Mindfulness" with Judy Wall

### Hope - for our Pilgrim Journey

The Priory Institute two week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 11 August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and two on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register click here

### Matt Talbot Centenary

A Special Mass to mark the centenary of the death of Matt Talbot will be held in the Church of the Ascension, Gurranabraher Parish T23 HK31 on Friday 27th June at 7.30 p.m.

The celebrant is Rev. Fr. Tomás Walsh S.M. A. This will be followed by prayers for Matt's beatification.

The Annual Commemoration in honour of Fr. Mathew will take place at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 8th July at 7.30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Tory Top Road.T12 HW89 This will be followed by refreshments in the Community Centre, Togher, T12 2X 2Y

### A brief introduction on Sunday's readings

#### First Reading

**Genesis 14:18-20**

Melchizedek—a king and priest—honours Abraham in a way which was taken to foreshadow the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper.

#### Second Reading

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

St Paul writes because the Lord's Supper at Corinth was fractured, having no practical effect on their lives. Traditional social divisions undermined the vision of all being one in Christ.

#### Gospel

**Luke 9:11-17**

In all the Gospels, the multiplication of the loaves is to be read symbolically, referring to the later Christian celebration of the Lord's Supper.

### The Papers Say.....

Irish Catholic. (1). Fr. Eamonn Conway: An age of responsibility and risk for the Church. -- The Church is being called to respond to the 'growing disillusionment with traditional models of governance, disenchantment with the functioning of democracy'. (2) Michael Kelly: Pope Leo XIV will build bridges within the Church and prioritise the proclamation of the Gospel. (3) David Quinn: Even the UN is getting concerned about too few babies being born. (4). Updated Confirmation pledge aims to protect kids from new addictions

Tablet of 14/6. (1). Bishop without borders -- A bishop who has compared the abuse being inflicted on immigrants by the US government to the suffering of Jesus on the Cross was himself an undocumented migrant fleeing poverty and political violence in El Salvador (2). Pilgrimage of Hope -- Our Lady of the truck drivers. (3). Pope Leo talks to Putin and asks him to make peace gesture

Tablet of 31/5. (1). Latin in the liturgy. -- Pope Leo steers between his predecessor's hope for a restoration of liturgical unity and the hope of traditionalists for access to older forms of the Mass will be among the early challenges of his papacy. (2). What is 'hope' right now? -- In the face of the suffering in Gaza a Catholic priest, son of Jewish parents, looks at lessons in peace from the past

Tablet of 7/6. (1). The China question. Apostles or functionaries? How he responds to the unilateral election of two Chinese bishops in the days before his election will reveal how closely Pope Leo intends to follow the diplomatic policies of his predecessor.

### An invitation to the 99th Cork Eucharistic Procession:

Please join us for the 99th Eucharistic Procession which takes place on this Sunday, June 22nd leaving the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne at 3.00pm. It would be great to continue the tradition of parishioners from parishes throughout the city and beyond to walk in the procession. Parking is available in the grounds of St. Anthony's Convent, St. Mary's Road (across from the Cathedral). This year to accommodate the growing large numbers it was decided to take the final prayer and Benediction outside onto a specially constructed platform down at the end of Grand Parade near the National Monument.

For more details see [www.corkandross.org](http://www.corkandross.org)

### BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL

**Church Gate collection will take place on**

**6th July 2025**

**Your support as always is greatly appreciated.**

**THERE WILL BE ONLY 1 COLLECTION ON THE SVP WEEKEND**

**Sunday Cuppa continues in the Parish Centre after 11 am mass on 6th July for tea and bikkies and more chat!**

**Cheaper than the Village 'cos it's free!!**

*Everyone welcome - Ah go on!*



### Observations

The Feast of Corpus Christi provides a welcome opportunity to reflect on what we “do” when we “do” Eucharist. Emphasis is on the “doing” because there is a risk of treating the feast as a doctrinal abstraction, focussing on Eucharistic Presence only.

The wider context of 1 Corinthians 11 is essential reading, of course. In those days the Lord's Supper was still part of a regular Greco-Roman “banquet” and it was really hard to set aside the social customs of the day! These included strict stratification of society, contradiction the vision of both Jesus and Paul.

The teaching of St Paul can still speak: recognising the body means accepting all around us as our brothers and sisters, without distinction. The same Christ is present in the bread and in our neighbour. We cannot accept him in the sacrament and then not recognise him in the neighbour, especially the neighbour in need. Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ, is all of us and our prayer is that we may become what we receive. Amen.

### Applications Now Open for Ss Peter and Paul's Young Adult Community!

The Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes invites young adults of faith aged 18–30 to consider living in Saints Peter and Paul's Young Adult Community from September 2025 to June 2026. This community is a place for both men and women, whether you are a third-level student or a young adult already working, to grow in faith, make lifelong friends, and get involved in projects within the Cathedral Family of Parishes.

What does community living entail?

- Weekly community meal
- Prayer, reflection, and faith formation
- Social gatherings and community life
- Volunteering opportunities
- Spiritual direction (optional)
- Active involvement in parish life and ministry

Cost: €150 per week plus utility bills.

For an application form email [youngadultcommunity@corkandross.org](mailto:youngadultcommunity@corkandross.org) Closing date for applications 23rd of June 2025



### FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Rosary and Benediction will commence at 4pm. each First Friday. There are time sheets on the tables in the Church where Parishioners can indicate the times most suitable for them to Attend. We would like, if possible, if there could be 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

**Mass cards** are available in the sacristy after every mass both at weekend and weekdays.

### Thought for the day

**B**odily hunger and thirst are easy to recognise—we feel them directly. The deeper hungers can take longer, especially in our “culture of distraction” where there is so little room for reflection and real conversation. These hungers are just as real, of course, and call for recognition and response. But the first step is really awareness and attention to the hints and nudges life provides.

### Prayer

*You have formed us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless till they find rest in you. Amen.*

K O'Mahony OSA

### Reflections

1. Jesus welcomes the crowd, teaches them, and cures those in need of healing. Bring to mind the ways in which the story of Jesus and his message have brought you enlightenment, and healing.

2. The miracle is symbolic of the abundance of blessings coming to us from God through Jesus. How has your faith in Jesus been a source of nourishment to you? What blessings have you received through your faith?

3. When the disciples became aware of the problem they wanted to send the crowd away and Jesus told them “You give them something to eat”. They thought what they had was insufficient but Jesus used the little they had to feed the crowd. Have you ever found that when you give the little you have to a situation, the results were beyond your expectations?

### PRAYER

*You have blessed all generations, O God most high, in Jesus, our compassionate saviour, for through him you invite us to your kingdom, welcome us to your table, and provide us with nourishment in abundance. Teach us to imitate your unfailing kindness and to build up Christ's body, the Church, by generously handing on to others the gifts we have received from your bounty. Amen.*

### Radio Maria Ireland - Fundraising Appeal -

Radio Maria Ireland receives no commercial advertising, no state funding, we rely totally on Divine Providence and the generosity of listeners. We are facing an extraordinary financial shortfall of €69,000. Without your help, we may not be able to pay our wonderful staff, who bring you daily Mass, Rosary, Adoration and Catholic teaching. We are launching our Miracle Appeal Day and we are praying for 69 people who could give €1,000 or 690 people who could give €100. Would you help sustain the mission of Radio Maria Ireland with a gift? Visit our website [www.radiomaria.ie](http://www.radiomaria.ie) to see how you can donate.

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### Second Collection

w/e 21st/22nd June  
Peter's Pence