

St John the Evangelist, Kilbarrack-Foxfield



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Mass times – Mon-Wed 10am; Thurs, 7.30pm; Fri 10am. Sat 6pm. Sun 9.30am and 12 noon.

Bayside– Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri &-Sat 10am; Sat 7pm. Sun 8am and 11.00am

Our parish is part of the partnership in the Howth Deanery as follows – Baldoye, Bayside, Howth, Kilbarrack/Foxfield, Sutton.
Registered Charity Number 20016166.

Sacraments of First Holy Communion/Confirmation 2027

Parents of children in Scoil Eoin and North Bay Educate Together School, who wish their children to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish in 2027 are invited to a short information evening in the Parish Centre, beside the Church, at 7pm Monday 21st September.

Any child who does not attend a school under the patronage of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin and would like to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, must first register with the Parish in order to receive appropriate religious instruction for the two years preceding the sacraments.

Classes are held weekly on Tuesday afternoons from late September/October until May in the Parish Centre beside the Church. All children must complete two years of classes for each sacrament.

Prior to starting any classes, please register by completing the registration form on the parish website under the sacraments tab and we will email you with further details.

Masses for the Coming Week

Name	Date	Time	Name	Date	Time
Christopher Flood (1 st A)	Thurs. 24/9	7.30am	Chrissie Fleming & members of Fleming family	Sun 27/9	9.30am
Cyril Motherway (MM)	Sun 27/9	12pm			

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers **Seán Croft RIP** late of Thornville Ave
Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, his friends, and neighbours.
May he rest in peace.

A Note of Appreciation

I would like to take this opportunity to extend warm 'thanks' to all who supported me in various ways over the last few difficult months. It was so uplifting and encouraging to receive visitors, many cards and letters, and phone calls. On my return to the Parish, I experienced a very warm welcome from everyone – it is wonderful to be back! Thank you and blessings to you all!
Fr Séamus

Collections

This weekend the collection for CROSSCARE will replace the Share collection. CROSSCARE provides practical support to people at some of the most difficult moments in their lives. Every day Crosscare works alongside families worried about losing their home, young people in need of guidance and support, people experiencing homelessness, and migrants and refugees seeking safety and a fresh start.

Next weekend, the monthly outdoor collection for St Vincent de Paul will take place.



Reflection on this Sunday's Readings

"My thoughts are not your thoughts"

This week, the readings focus on God's generosity and unconditional love.

First Reading: Isaiah encourages the people of Israel to turn to the Lord, so that they can experience his forgiveness and compassion.

The Psalm promises kindness and mercy to all who call on the Lord.

Second Reading: St Paul says wants to be with Christ but also realises that he is needed on earth to continue to preach the Gospel around him. He chooses the better: that is, to remain alive for the sake of the new Christians.

The Gospel illustrates that God's ways are not our ways, and that God's generosity is without bounds. Here, Jesus tells the parable of the vine workers: all will be paid the same, regardless of the number of hours they have spent in the field. This story helps us understand that in God's eyes, those who turned to God later in life are worth just as much as those who have followed him from the beginning.

What's on in the Parish

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place Tuesday and Friday 11am-3pm each week.
- Tuesday Gospel evenings 7.30pm Tuesdays in the Parish Centre each Tuesday. All welcome.
- Monday Online Reflections on the scriptures Mondays. 7.30-8.30pm. Contact Phyllis 086 890 9488.
- Chairobics in Parish Centre 11.30am Tuesdays. All welcome.
- Hospice Coffee Morning. run by Active Retirement Association. Parish Centre. Next Wed 23rd Sept. 10.30am-1.30pm. Tea. Coffee. Cakes. Raffle. Please join us for a great cause!
- The Healing of the Generations will take place next Sunday 27th Sept with Holy mass at 7pm followed by Confessions and Benediction.

What's on elsewhere

- Irish Cancer Society seeks **volunteer drivers** to bring patients for hospital treatment. 2 days per month. valid driving licence, safe, reliable car. Contact **Monica or Emily** at volunteer@irishcancer.ie.
- **Come and adore him – Eucharistic Adoration get-together**, 10am-1pm. next **Sat 26th Sept**. Church of Nativity. Beaumont. Mass 10am. For those who do Eucharistic Adoration and those who want to promote Eucharistic Adoration. All welcome. Inquiries John McCormack. phone 087 2208714 or mccormackjohn124@gmail.com.
- **Anam Cara**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents. Free Parent Support Evening Next **Wed 23rd Sept 7.30pm in the Hilton Hotel, Malahide Rd, Northern Cross, Dublin, D17 Y924**.
- HLI Ireland: Fr Lawrence Carney (USA), international speaker/popular author. Tour of Ireland **Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan. 6.45pm Mon 28th Sept**. First-Class Relic of St Thérèse. Free admission.
- Raheny Coffee morning for the Hospice. Grange Woodbine club. **Wed 23rd Sept. 10am-12.30pm**.
- Heritage Sign for Kilbarrack/Foxfield. Unveiled in the Playground by the Lord Mayor. **Fri 25th Sept. 10-11.30am**.
- **Elvis – From Gospel to Vegas!** Lee Alexander & Lucan Gospel Choir. **4th Oct. Grange Woodbine Club. 1.30pm – 5pm**. in aid of St Francis Hospice. Call 087 9685983.

Thought for the Week

*"When in doubt, pause. When angry, pause. When tired, pause. When stressed, pause.
And when you pause, pray/reflect."*