



ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES



1st December 2013

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

is the cry as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. We are called to be ready. Commercially shops are encouraging us to buy more and more expensive items. Perhaps we might focus on how we can make Christ present in our community. Emmanuel means God is with us. How can we make Christ present especially in the poor and needy?



There are calls upon us from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Crosscare and we have our own Toy Sunday next week.

You might think of:

- * Sending a card to someone who might be lonely
- * Visit someone who is housebound or in hospital
- * Invite someone for a 'cuppa'

Pope Francis challenges us — *"instead of being just a church that welcomes and receives by keeping the doors open, let us try to be a church that finds new roads, that is able to step outside itself"*

It is up to us to make God present in our community so that when we cry "O Come O Come Emmanuel" we may be doing something about it.

Fr. Pat

Sacrament of Baptism

Last week we welcomed into our Christian Community:

Sadie Wilkinson, Donnycarney



Lots Happening Next Sunday!

Our next "Do this in Memory" Mass for the children preparing for their First Holy Communion is next Sunday at 12 pm.

A meeting to prepare this Mass will be held in the Sacristy on Tuesday at 8pm



And it is **Toy SUNDAY**

Please bring a NEW toy for a needy child to Mass next Sunday

There will also be the Annual collection for **the Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

It will replace the Share Collection.

Because of this major collection next week, there is no church gate collection this week.

Vincent's shop in Coolock Village

invites you to their Christmas Cheer Event Thursday 5th December 12.00 – 6.00 pm
Mulled wine 7 mince pies will be served
Do your Christmas shopping or find that special outfit for the party

Christmas cards

in aid of The Society of St. VdeP are available during the week in the Parish Office, €6 for pack of 12.

Crosscare Food Bank Appeal

"There are children in Dublin schools so hungry they cannot learn while some university students don't have decent nourishment either" Archbishop Diarmuid Martin said when he launched the Crosscare appeal for food donations every Sunday during Advent. The appeal is for non-perishable food such as pasta/rice, fruit juice, tea/coffee, soup, sugar, powdered milk, tinned meats and fish, packaged desserts, biscuits and hygiene products. Items can be left in the baskets in the gathering area today and for the next three weekends

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St. Gabriel's Notes also available on www.stgabrielsparish.ie



Mass Intentions

Sunday 1st December

Sat 6.00 † Bill Evenden (13thA)
 Sun 9am
 10.30 † Fr. Martin Clarke (MM)
 12 pm † Michael Colgan (31stA)
 6.00 pm † Siobhan O'Neill (3rdA)
 Mon 10am MASS FOR THE SICK
 Tues 10am † Christina Dillon (A)
 Wed. 10am
 Thurs 10am † Joe, Cáit & Dermot Moylan (A)
 Fri. 10am † Margaret Kohler (7thA)
 Sat 10.30 † Michael Clarke,
 Elizabeth Smullen & Patsy Meehan (A)

Sunday 8th December

Sat 6.00 † Tom Ryan (16thA)
 Sun 9am † Mary & Denis Murnane (A)
 10.30 † Jack Smith (9thA)
 12 pm † Bridget Murray (50thA)
 6.00 pm † Marie Milligan RIP



Christmas Choral Extravaganza in St. Gabriel's Church Sun 15th December at 8pm

40-Piece Orchestra, Guest Soloists
 All four choirs from St. Gabriel's
 Choirs from all Clontarf/Dollymount churches
 Proceeds in aid of Central Remedial Clinic -
 Tickets €10 available in the parish office.

St. Gabriel's Meals on Wheels

Meals will be delivered as usual up to and including Monday 23rd December.
 No meals will be delivered again until Thursday 2nd January. Extra meals can be supplied to cover all or part of the holidays. Please let your driver know as soon as possible or phone Monica at 833 4755

Festive Fiver Friday

Next Friday, 6th Dec is Fiver Friday.
 All the local shops on St. Gabriel's Road are making a special effort and will have a variety of special offers and gifts to encourage you to spend your fivers, so please support them all.
 RTE's Nationwide programme was seen filming on St. Gabriel's Road last week and that programme is due to be shown at 7pm on RTE1 either Monday or Wednesday of this week.

St. Gabriel's Seniors Club

Tues 3rd Dec Tea/coffee morning 10.30.
 Guest: Fr. Peter McVerry
 Go for Life class 12.15pm (new term: €10 due)
 NO Ballroom dancing on Thursday
 Creative Writing Fri 2pm (new term: €20 due)
Thurs. 5th Dec Handel's Messiah performed by DIT Rathmines in Church of St. John the Baptist, Seafield Road 7.30 pm. Tickets €15 from Heather: 087 6413786 or at club on Tue.
New Year Celebration Wed. 8th Jan. Radisson Blu Hotel Stillorgan. Lunch & afternoon entertainment with Bryan Hoey. Coach transfer from / to St. Gabriel's Parish Centre. Cost €40.
 Tickets available at club on 3rd December.

Enquiries: Mairead 8331170;

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Christmas with the Palestrina Choir

Thurs. 5th Dec. at 8 pm
 In the National Concert Hall
 Blánaid Murphy Musical Director,
 Mary Kennedy Compere.
 Tickets €20 from NCH booking office:
 Phone 417 0000 or www.nch.ie

The confidential phone no. for the St. Vincent de Paul society is **087 2733961**

MASS TIMES

St. Gabriel's

Sat 6.00 pm
 Sun 9.00 am (*As Gaeilge*)
 10.30 am;
 12.00 (*Family Mass*)
 6.00 pm (*Youth Mass*)

St. John's

Sat 6.00 pm
 Sun 10.00 am (*Family*)
 11.15 am
 12.30 pm (*Youth*)

St. Anthony's

Sat 7.00 pm
 Sun 10.00 am (*Family*)
 11.30 am