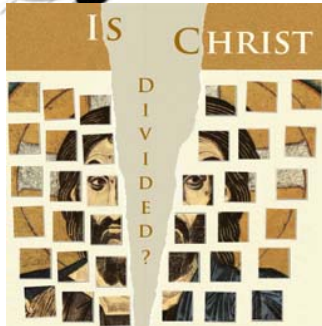




# ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES



12<sup>th</sup> January 2014



## Church Unity Week 2014

Theme:  
Is Christ Divided

Ecumenical Prayer Service in  
St. Gabriel's church on  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 3.30 pm

All six Christian churches in Clontarf will participate and Rev. Lesley Robinson from St. John the Baptist Church of Ireland, Seafield Road, will give the homily. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Parish centre. All are welcome.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Last week we welcomed into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

**Aaron Barrera Cleary**, Kincora Road



### Baptism of the Lord

*Born like each of us, of a woman, and in weakness, plunged himself into human life at the water of the Jordan, at the beginning of his life with us. We plunge with him into the depths of our own being; In the depths of love, we find the God of love. In the depths of sin, the God of compassion, In the depths of weakness, the God of strength, In the depths of division, the God of reconciliation, In the depths of poverty and misery, the God of justice And in the depths of our humanity we will find the divine life of God.*

Donal Neary, S.J



### Thank You for Your Responses

The Parish Pastoral team met last Wednesday and wish to thank all those who filled in the questionnaire on the survey from Pope Francis on "Pastoral Challenges to the Family in the Context of Evangelisation".

In all we received 43 replies from over 600 questionnaires distributed at Masses before Christmas. These will now be forwarded to the "Office for Evangelisation" in the Diocese who will process all the replies from the different parishes.

While we were encouraged by our Parish response, we do realise that many of the questions in the survey were difficult to answer and we have pointed this out to the diocese.

Again thank you to all who filled in the questionnaire.

*Liam Lally      Fr. Pat McManus*

### New Year Resolutions ~ The Pope Francis List



1. Don't gossip.
2. Finish your meals.
3. Make time for others.
4. Choose the 'more humble' purchase.
5. Meet the poor 'in the flesh.'
6. Stop judging others.
7. Befriend those who disagree.
8. Make commitments, such as marriage.
9. Make it a habit to 'ask the Lord.'
10. Be happy. (The Joy of the Gospel).

List compiled based on quotes from Pope Francis - for full text google 'rappler 46933'

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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January

Sat 6.00 † William Cotter (5<sup>th</sup>A)  
 Sun 9am  
 10.30 † Jack, Joe and John Leehane (A)  
 12 pm † Rachel McCarthy (MM)  
 6.00 pm † Joyce Phelan (3<sup>rd</sup>A)  
 Mon 10am MASS FOR THE SICK  
 Tues. 10am  
 Wed. 10am† Joseph Kinahin (Recd Decd)  
 Thurs 10am† Decd. members of the  
 Stanbridge Family  
 Fri. 10am † Terry McLoughlin (17<sup>th</sup> A)  
 Sat 10.30

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Sat 6.00 † Maeve & Ronan O'Donovan (A)  
 Sun 9am  
 10.30  
 12 pm † Jean Nolan (A)  
 6.00 pm



Clontarf Historical Society & Raheny Heritage Society have come together to organise a series of talks to commemorate the Millennium of the Battle of Clontarf.

The first talk in the series is "A Clontarf perspective on the Battle of Clontarf" by Dennis McIntyre, Local Historian, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 8.15 pm In Clasac Building, Alfie Byrne Road, Note change from normal venue Annual Membership €20. Individual talks €5. Enquiries 8338711 / [clontarfhistorical@gmail.com](mailto:clontarfhistorical@gmail.com)

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

## St. Gabriel's Seniors club

Club reopens on Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan with a tea/coffee morning and guest speaker.

All usual classes returning for new terms (payments due): Art with Eleanor

Tues. 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. At 10.30 am (6 wks - €20)

Go for Life Exercise

Tues. 28<sup>th</sup> Jan at 12.15 pm (10 wks - €25)

Ballroom Dancing

Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2.15 pm (10 wks €30)

Creative Writing

Fri. 2 pm (10 wks from 10<sup>th</sup> Jan - €30)

Outing to Concert Hall – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Jan Cost €35

'The Life and Music of Edith Piaf'. Lunch

included. Coach departs 12 pm/ returns 4.30 pm

Book and pay Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Enquires Frances 086 6071979

## Bethany

### Bereavement Support Group

If you feel the need to talk to someone, members of the Bethany Bereavement Group will be in attendance in 187, Clontarf Road on Saturday 18 January at 10.30am. People are most welcome to drop in for a confidential chat over a cup of tea.

## Sharing Mealtimes for Over 60's

Researchers at Trinity College Dublin are currently recruiting participants for a study looking at how sharing meals can be good for our mental and physical health.

We are looking for 100 adults aged over 60 who are living alone, and who would like to receive a visitor once weekly for 8 weeks during 2014.

Your visitor will be fully trained, and Garda-vetted, and aged over 55. Your visitor will bring ingredients for a meal that you will both prepare and enjoy together. We will cover the costs of the meal, so there is no cost associated with participating!

We are also looking to recruit individuals over the age of 55 who are interested in undergoing our training and delivering the program.

If you are interested in finding out more, please email [mchughie@tcd.ie](mailto:mchughie@tcd.ie) or call 01 896 8414

### 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