



# ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES



29<sup>th</sup> December 2013

## **How Great to see So Many People Involved**

It was great to see so many attending our Christmas Masses, and our sincere thanks to all who helped make each one so very special:

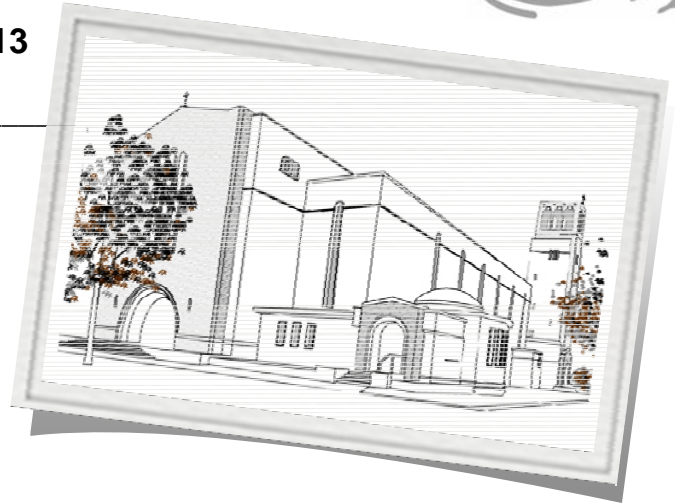
- to all who made the Church so beautiful for Christmas: our flower group; the Liturgy Group and Family Mass group for all their work on the decorations, Bernie (*Clontarf Florists*) for the beautiful tree, so wonderfully decorated by hundreds of prayers and Val Lanigan for the wreaths.
- to our four excellent choirs for enhancing all our Christmas Masses with their music and singing. and to all who were involved in preparing and displaying the powerpoint screens.
- to our Ministers of the Eucharist, Readers and Altar Servers who performed their tasks with great care and diligence, and the Liturgy Team who helped prepare the various Liturgies.
- to our Sacristans, church cleaners, Anne and Tom in parish office, the packers and deliverers of our Christmas card and a special word of thanks to Tom Doyle who prepared and edited *The Bridge*, the beautifully produced newsletter from the combined Parishes of Clontarf/ Dollymount – *another first!*

*Fr. Pat*

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

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

**Leo Charlie de Lacy Staunton**, Hong Kong and **Lucy Ann McElwee**, Mt. Prospect Ave.



## **A Thank You from Archbishop Diarmuid**

I would like to express my great appreciation to people all over the Archdiocese for their generosity in responding to the appeal for disaster relief in the Philippines and Syria and for the Crosscare Food appeal.

The collection at Masses within the Archdiocese of Dublin for the Philippines and Syria amounted to Euro 1.3 million and individual contributions are still coming in.



INNOVATION & ACTION FOR SOCIAL CHANGE

The response to the food appeal was extraordinary. Crosscare staff - with at times up to 30 years' experience – tell me that they have never experienced such spontaneous generosity. To date, Crosscare has received 70 tons of food – exactly as requested; tinned and other non-perishable produce which can be effectively distributed. We have also received contributions from schools and institutions, including from the detainees of one prison.

I thank you again and pray that we will all – especially the children - experience the simplicity and happiness that comes with the birth of Jesus.

+Diarmuid Martin Archbishop of Dublin



*Happy New Year Everyone!*

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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December

Sat 6.00 † Patrick Murphy, (2<sup>nd</sup>A)  
 Sun 9am † The Anonymous Donor of a  
 heart transplant  
 10.30  
 12 pm † Frank Reddin, (A)  
 6.00 pm † Deceased members of the  
 Murray Family  
 Mon 10am MASS FOR THE SICK  
 Tues. 10am † Joseph White (A)  
 Wed. 10am  
 Thurs. 10am  
 Fri. 10am † Miceál Conroy (A)  
 Sat 10.30

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Sat 6.00 † Elizabeth Traynor (59<sup>th</sup>A)  
 Sun 9am † Fr. Owen Brady (1<sup>st</sup>A)  
 10.30 † Lorcan Murphy (MM)  
 12 pm † Patricia Hart (30<sup>th</sup>A) &  
 her brother Don Hart RIP  
 6.00 pm † Jackie Kelly (16<sup>th</sup>A)



## St. Gabriel's Seniors Club

New Year Celebration-Wed 8<sup>th</sup> January  
 Radisson Blu Hotel – Stillorgan, Lunch &  
 afternoon entertainment with Bryan Hoey  
 Coach transfer to / from St Gabriels Parish  
 Centre Cost: €40  
 All enquiries to Anne Devine (087-6751187)  
 Club re-opens on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January

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



The Parish Centre has been open each evening since Christmas Eve and will continue to open every evening 7.00 - 8.30 up to and including New Year's Day.

The response has been great and we are very grateful to the volunteers who are manning the centre each evening and providing tea and chat to all comers. We have received the loan of a bingo set and hope to use that during the coming week. We are also looking forward to some tin whistle and guitar playing.

So if you are feeling like a bit of company and craic, come on down. If you'd like a lift, phone Anne in the parish office – 8333602 – on Monday morning.

### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!**

The three tenors in concert at St. Fintan's church Sutton, on 21st February 2014. Tickets €25 each now available from the St. Fintan's parish office, 9.30am to 12.30pm and from Coffey's in the Superquinn shopping centre, Sutton.

#### 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