



ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

17th March 2024



St. Patrick's Day

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of St. Patrick and wish everyone a Happy Day and enjoy the long weekend. Mass times are the usual weekend Mass times, Saturday Vigil at 5pm and Sunday 10.30 & 6pm.

Our Monday Maintenance people have once again produced our wonderful **Shrine to St. Patrick** in the crib area so be sure to have a look I before you leave the Church, or drop in any day during the week.



*"I arise today, through God's strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me;
God's wisdom to guide me; God's eye to see before me; God's ear to hear me;
God's word to speak for me; God's hand to guard me;
God's way to lie before me; God's shield to protect me; God's host to secure me."*

St. Patrick's Breastplate

Taizé Prayer around the Cross

This week will be the last Wednesday in Lent for our Taizé Prayer Around the Cross as next week is Holy Week. We will have a short period of prayer and music after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and again after the Stations on Good Friday from 8.00 - 8.30pm.

St Gabriel's Annual Good Friday Charity Soup Kitchen - 29th March 2024

The annual Good Friday Soup Kitchen which has been running for 32 years will take place again this year in St. Gabriels Parish Centre on Friday 29th March from 11.30 – 2pm. All proceeds go directly to the Capuchin Day Centre for the Homeless and we look forward to welcoming all parishioners and the wider community for a cup of fresh soup, bread, and a chat on the day. Thank you for your continued support of this event for the homeless and we look forward to seeing you for some soup on Good Friday 29th March.



How to spot Real Shamrock

Shamrock is a plant that always has three leaflets in one leaf, never four. This is known as being a trifoliate plant. The story goes that this structure is why St. Patrick used it as an example of the Holy Trinity - three separate parts making one whole. Shamrock is typically green but it can have touches of white, yellow, or even purple