

ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

2nd July 2017



St. Gabriel's Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council met last Monday night and after a lively discussion the following decisions were arrived at:

It is proposed to have a series of three monthly talks at the 6pm Sunday Youth Mass from October to December

on issues of interest to the young people and their parents. Possible topics would include Sport/Exercise; Nutrition; Mental Health (including bullying). Speakers are to be sourced and full details will be available in the Autumn.

September is to be designated **Volunteering Month** when we hope to encourage everyone to become more involved in the Church and Parish. Again, you will be hearing a lot more about this in September!

It was disappointing to hear that the Pastoral Worker for our three parishes, Deirdre McDermott, is being transferred to another Parish; she will be greatly missed and we wish her every blessing for the future. On a happier note, Fr. Dermot Mansfield, who was transferred from here last year, is coming back in a part-time capacity, dividing his time between St. Gabriel's and Gardiner Street. We will all be delighted to see him back again.

The Parish Council is taking a break for the summer and the next meeting will be on the 4th September.

Deirdre Daly, Chairperson

Peter's Pence Collection

The second collection today is the annual collection for the Pope's charities, **Peter's Pence**.

It is a mark of solidarity with Pope Francis' concern for the poor and the downtrodden, and especially for those Christians who are suffering persecution for their faith.

It replaces the Share collection and your usual generosity is appealed for.

Thank you.



Sacrament of Baptism

We have welcomed into our Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Twins Sophie and Mia Bonnie

Churchgate Collection Today

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul are taking up their monthly Church gate collection after all Masses this weekend. They appeal for your usual generosity

Celebrating Special Wedding Anniversaries

Our annual Wedding Anniversaries Mass for all those who are celebrating their 25th/ 40th/ 50th/ 60th Anniversary in 2017

Will be held on Sunday 15th October.

If this is YOU, or a member of your family, please let us know so that we can include you in our Invitation List!