

ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES



17th September 2017

Crosscare Annual Collection

The second collection this weekend is the annual appeal for Crosscare, the Diocesan social services agency.

We welcome John Shiels, who will speak on the work of Crosscare, at the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

Grateful Thanks

We held a coffee morning for St. Francis Hospice on Thursday morning and hoped to raise a few hundred euro. The response was amazing. Everyone crowded in to the Conference Room, all set up by Pearse and Peter. P.J. Ryan served the coffee in his usual professional manner and lots of people brought home baking and other goodies. Many commented on the wonderful community spirit that was present and we collected a **whopping €770** for the Hospice. Grateful thanks to all who came, to those who couldn't be there but left in donations and to all who helped with the set-up and clear-up.

Sr. Mary Euginia of the Little Sisters of the Poor in Sybil Hill is very grateful for the kindness and generosity she received when she held a fund-raising coffee morning in the parish centre last Sunday after the 10.30 Mass. A total of **€300** was collected

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Lucy Martha Collis

Nina Kenny

Kiril Valiaugg]



Reaching out to the Sick, the Elderly, the Lonely & the Depressed



**The Sacrament of the Sick is being
administered at the
12.00 noon Mass this Sunday in
St. John's Church, Clontarf Road,
for our Three Parishes.**

Every Monday the 10am Mass in St. Gabriel's is offered for the sick. Put the names of your loved sick ones in the book on the Offertory table, which will be brought to the altar in the Offertory procession, and take a card to let them know they are being prayed for.

The priests and Ministers of the Eucharist would be happy to bring the Lord in Holy Communion to anyone who is sick or housebound. Contact Anne in the Parish office to arrange it. Please also let us know if any parishioner is in hospital or would like a priest to visit.

Teen Hope is a parish based faith outreach to teenagers. Its aim is to help young people discover their true value and worth, inspired by Jeremiah 29:11: "I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for your peace, not disaster, reserving a future full of hope for you". Last weekend we had the St. Paul's Youth Faith Outreach Team speaking with us. They are offering to support our parishes set up an outreach to our teens through an initiative called "Teen Hope".

We thank those of you who have indicated your interest in volunteering in this initiative. Volunteers will hear very soon from the St. Paul's Team as to what's next. In the meantime we encourage anyone considering being a volunteer to contact siobhan.tighe@dublindiocese.ie.