



This Sunday, 19th November is Special on two counts: It is the

World Day of the Poor & the World Day of Remembrance of Road Traffic Victims

The first World Day of the Poor is being observed in the universal Church on Sunday, 19 November at the request of Pope Francis. The theme is "Let us love, not with words but with deeds". Pope Francis invites *"the whole Church, and men and women of goodwill everywhere, to turn their gaze on this day to all those who stretch out their hands and plead for our help and solidarity"*.

The full text of Pope Francis' message is available in the Gathering Area

The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (WDR) is commemorated on the third Sunday of November each year. This day, initiated by road victims in 1993 and adopted by the UN in 2005, is dedicated to remembering all those who have lost their lives on our roads, the bereaved, the injured, the traumatised, and in a special way, the emergency services who are always on call.



*Bunches of flowers tied to
a tree,
Bright coloured ribbons,
A little teddy,
Been there for months,
Been there for years,
The pain never goes,
nor do the tears.*

*And as I drive past I think of those who
Died on that night that I never knew.
I pray for the day, When we as a nation,
Can respect and protect God's greatest creation.*

Global Organ Donor Commemoration

On Thursday 30th November, the first ever global event honouring organ donors will take place in five cities on five continents, to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the world's first heart transplant by Dr. Christian Barnard in Cape Town in 1967.

This Irish-led global commemorative event organised by Strange Boat Donor Foundation, and Transplant Ireland, will acknowledge the generosity and humanity of organ donors and their families and help promote the cause of organ donation on a world stage.

It will include the gifting of a stone sculpted candle to each of the five cities – Barcelona, Cape Town, New Delhi, Boston & Melbourne. The candles are replicas of the stone sculpted candle in the "Circle of Life" National Organ Donation Commemorative Garden in Salthill, Galway. Events will also be held in the Circle of Life Garden on 30th November at 2pm and all are welcome. For more information phone 087 7429080 / Email info@strangeboat.org or see www.organdonation.ie/circleoflife/garden

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Saoirse Harrison



Christmas Fair

**This Sunday 19th Nov 10am-1pm
in St. Gabriel's Parish Centre**

In aid of the Daughters of Charity
Overseas Missions in Africa

Christmas Gifts / Cakes /
Raffle with great prizes & lots more