



ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

31st December 2017



So Many to Thank

Once again we have had a wonderful uplifting celebration of Christmas with grateful thanks to everyone who helped in any way, the Liturgy Team, Sacristans, Altar servers, Ministers of the Word and the Eucharist and the choirs for their enhancement of the liturgies. The Flower Group, the cleaners and maintenance people had the Church looking splendid. Clontarf Florists donated the magnificent trees, so wonderfully decorated with all your prayers and intentions, and Lanigan's donated the wreaths on the pillars.

This year we had a lovely new addition with Storytelling Around the Crib on Saturday afternoon. This proved very popular and certainly one to be repeated in years to come. Grateful thanks to the organisers.

Fr. Pat

The Club @ St. Gabriels's

Tues 9th Jan Tea/Coffee morning 10.30.
Guest speaker Róisín Mc Mackin: *"Looking for Answers to Motor Neuron Disease"*.

Registration for Art Classes

Tues. 16th Jan 10.30 – 12 noon

Art with Eleanor. Beginners welcome – learn to draw and paint. All materials supplied. For details contact 087 818 2833.

Tues. 16th Monthly Outing – Lunch and visit to Freemason Hall. Details from Ann – 087 662 7288 / Pamela 086 882 1748
The Committee and Members of St. Gabriel's Club would like to thank all their sponsors for their generous donations to the Annual Christmas Raffle and their ongoing support for many events during the year.

Happy New year to all!

New Year Resolutions

Please join us next Sunday 7th January at the 6pm Youth Mass for the third in our series of talks of special interest to our young people and their Parents.

Prof. Sean Gaine, Chief Medical Officer of the Olympic Council of Ireland who led the Irish medical team at the Olympic Games in Athens, Beijing, London and Rio will speak on:

A Healthier 2018: What we can Learn from Olympic Athletes!

and tell us how and why we should resolve to be fitter and healthier in 2018 with some tips from Olympians!

Belgrove Schools Enrolment

Parents who wish to have their sons and daughters enrolled in Belgrove Schools for next September are reminded that completed applications must be in the schools before the end of January.

Forms are available in the School office.

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Jack Valentine Kennedy
James Michael Creaven



Christmas Dues

Grateful Thanks to all who have paid in Christmas Dues. Dues could be described as our Christmas gifts to the Priests of the Parish in appreciation for all they do in the Parish.

Pope Francis' Tweets for Christmas:

*"Contemplating the Baby Jesus, with His humble and infinite love, let us say to Him, very simply:
"Thank you for doing all this for me!"*

"Today we pray for all the children who are not allowed to be born, who cry with hunger, who hold weapons in their hands instead of toys."