



***Congratulations to
Fr. Brendan Forde
on the Golden Jubilee of
His Ordination
1968 — 9th March — 2018***



Fr. Brendan Forde is a Franciscan Priest from Dollymount Avenue who has often celebrated Mass in St. Gabriel's on his trips home. He has spent most of his fifty years of priesthood serving the most vulnerable people of Central and South America and is presently working in El Salvador, where they celebrated in his honour on St. Patrick's Day.

We have reproduced an article celebrating his life and work from this month's St. Anthony's Brief, and copies are available in the Gathering Area. We wish him our sincere congratulations on his jubilee and continued blessings in his great work.

Many Thanks

Good Friday Soup Kitchen

A big Thank You to all who supported the Soup Kitchen on Good Friday in so many ways. A very generous €6,001 was raised for Brother Kevin at the Capuchin Day Centre.



Sunshine Fund



1 The Sunshine Fund gratefully acknowledge a very generous €2,140 contributed by the congregation of St. Gabriel's to the Advocate collection on Palm Sunday.

Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of **Desmond Brown**, formerly of Dollymount Avenue, whose funeral took place here on Tuesday. May he rest in peace.



Confirmations



We welcome the young people preparing for their Confirmation on the 17th May to the 6pm Mass this Sunday when they will make their

Confirmation Promises, undertaking to abstain from alcohol till age 18 and harmful drugs for life.

Choose Life

This week's issue, No. 11, is now available in the Gathering Area and the larger print edition is on the Gathering Area.

Issue No.8 apparently ran out a couple of weeks ago for which we apologise. As we have had several requests for copies, it is available again today in the Gathering Area.

NOTE: No. 11 is 'Emma's Story' and no. 8 is 'Sean's Story'.

What can You Do to Protect the 8th

An information evening on "Why It Is Essential To Save The 8th Amendment" will take place in

**St Anthony's Church Hall, Clontarf.
Wednesday 18th April at 7.30 pm**

Speakers include Dr Deirdre Gleeson, a member of Doctors for Life
All are welcome - bring a friend