

## ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES



29th April 2018

The Icon of the Holy Family, specially commissioned for the World Meeting of Families, will be here in St. Gabriel's from Wed. 9<sup>th</sup> - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May.



As we are the only Church in our area to welcome the Icon, this will be a very special event for our Parish.

The Icon will arrive at lunchtime Wednesday and a short Welcoming Ceremony will be held at 2pm.

The church will remain open until 9pm on Wednesday and Thursday and open at 8am on Thursday and Friday to facilitate everyone who would like to visit. The Icon will leave after the 10am Mass on Friday.

A full schedule of events over the three days will be available by next weekend.

## And We Need Your Help Please!

For security we need to have at least two people in the church at all times and also people to welcome visitors, show them around and answer their queries.

If you would like to get involved or want to know more, we'd love you to come to a special meeting next Wednesday at 7.30 in the Church Conference Room. (entrance by Dollymount Park gate) or call in /contact Anne in the Parish Office if you cannot attend. (8333602 / info@stgabrielsparish.ie)

## Congratulations and Thanks

The First Holy Communion on Saturday was a beautiful uplifting occasion for all the boys and girls and their families.



It was also a huge success for all those who put in many hours of preparation - the teachers, parents and prayer friends, the choirs and altar servers, the flowers arrangers, church cleaners and maintenance people who all helped to make the place look splendid.

Grateful thanks to all.

Fr. Pat

## Always Looking for Ways to Improve What We Do!

<u>Coeliacs</u> can now approach the Priest with everyone else to receive Holy Communion. He will have the Chalice with the Precious Blood on a table beside him and just ask for it instead of the Host.

The Readings for the day's Mass are now displayed each day on the table in front of the Altar for you to read.

<u>Pope's Visit</u> If you interested in attending the Mass in the Phoenix Park or other events during the World Meeting of Families, please fill in the yellow form in the Gathering Area and leave into the red box there.

<u>Trócaire Boxes</u> This is a final call for the return of y our Trócaire Boxes before next weekend please.