



ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

16th December 2018



New Artwork in the Grounds

Fr. Pat just never stops thinking, planning and dreaming up ideas of what to do next for the benefit of all of us, and then challenges us to make them work.

He came up with the idea of a silhouette Nativity in the grounds. Tom and Brendan of our Maintenance team ran away with it, and with the help of the rest of the team, created the amazing piece of artwork inside the front gate. If you are looking at it in daytime, you might like to swing by some evening after dark when it will be floodlit! Unfortunately, the church and gates will be locked by that time, so viewing only through the railings.

We are truly grateful to all the men who worked on this creation, and equally for our beautiful crib, which this year has some added features to bring it all to life.

Christmas Time Table

Times of Masses and other Services in our three Churches of Clontarf/Dollymount are on the back page of the BRIDGE Magazine which is currently being delivered to every home in our Parish. If you live outside the parish, please take a copy in the gathering Area. We have also included our beautiful new brochure, devised by Tom Doyle, (he also edited the Bridge Magazine), with details of all that happens in our Church and our Parish. You might like to keep this handy for future reference. Copies are also available in the Gathering Area.

The **Communal Penitential Service** for our three parishes takes place next Tuesday, 18th Dec. in St. John's Church, Clontarf Road.

Family Mass, Christmas Day at 10.30 Can You Help Us Please?

Children and their parents are invited to come to a rehearsal in the Church, Next Wednesday afternoon at 3.30pm. We need children to join the choir or to participate in the Mass, including a short Nativity play.

We need a lot of help, so please make a special effort to come along on Wednesday. If your child would like to be a part of the Mass on Christmas Day, but you cannot come on Wednesday, please let me know.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Fr. Pat

*Special Blessing of the Sick for
Christmas
This Monday (17th) at the 10am Mass*

Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of **Michael Somers**, brother of Ellie who runs Tillie's Restaurant, whose funeral took place here last Thursday, Also **Donal Cotter**, Dollymount Park, whose funeral was on Friday. May Michael & Donal rest in peace.



Many Thanks

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul are very grateful for your generous response to their special appeal last weekend, which so far has amounted to approximately €10,000. If you missed the collection you may leave your donation into the sacristy. *Thank You!*