

## ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

14th July 2019



Frs. Michael Egan and Pat Byrne of the **Divine Word Missionaries**, who spoke at our Masses about their work some weeks ago, gratefully acknowledge a very generous €4,325 received on the day.

As they were travelling to Boston for more appeals, this did not include the many envelopes that were handed in since and which we forwarded to them before they left.

Trócaire have acknowledged €832.51, the generous proceeds of your Trócaire boxes that were handed in here. Their beautifully crafted Thank you letter includes the following sentiments:

"You are the hope that heals a widow's broken heart;

You are the protection for a vulnerable family against violent land seizures;
You are the kindness that helps families stay strong through trauma;
and your spirit of compassion is helping young girls hold on to hope and dignity,"

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul gratefully acknowledges receipt of a very generous €1,590 received in last weekend's church gate collection.

## Beatitudes for Carers

The Good Samaritan in today's Gospel was someone who cared.

Blessed are those who care: they will let people know they are loved.

Blessed are those who are gentle: they will help people to grow as the sun helps the buds to unfold.

Blessed are those who listen: they will lighten many a burden.

Blessed are those who know how to let go: they will have the joy of seeing people find themselves.

Blessed are those who, when nothing can be said or done, do not walk away, but remain to provide a comforting and supportive presence: they will help the sufferer to bear the unbearable.

Blessed are those who recognise their own need to receive: they will be able to give all the better.

And Blessed are those who give without hope of return: they will give people an experience of God.

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

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

Odhrán Ray Colleran Clodagh Colette McQuillan





Nelson Mandela 18th July 1918 - 5th Dec. 2013