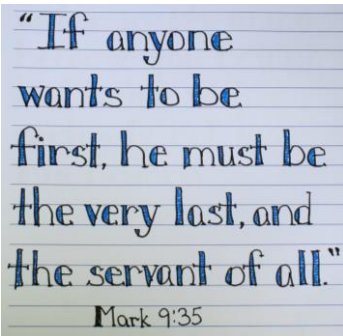




ST. GABRIEL'S NOTES

19th September 2021



Crosscare Annual Collection 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, 18th and 19th September. It will replace the usual Share collection.

Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most or when they can't find the support they need anywhere else.

In their Community Foodbanks and Cafes, they provide food parcels and nutritious meals every day. Demand for their services continues to increase as the pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable in our parishes and communities.

Please give generously in the second collection at all Masses on 18th and 19th September next, use the envelopes available in the Gathering Area, or donate online at www.crosscare.ie

Eucharistic Ministers

As the attendances at Mass are beginning to increase, we need to establish a rota for Ministers of the Eucharist, especially at our weekend Masses, and most particularly for the 6pm Sunday Mass. We have sent a questionnaire to all our Ministers in an attempt to create a rota and hope to receive your replies as soon as possible. If anyone would like to lend a hand in this mammoth task, you'd be most welcome in the parish office!!

New Ways to Support Mass Collections

We are very grateful to everyone who has continued to donate so generously to our Mass collections over the past 18 months, through our baskets at Mass, the donate button on our website or the envelopes marked First and Second collection in the Gathering Area.

In an increasingly cashless society, driven by ever changing technology, we must respond to new and innovative ways in which people can make donations. We have now installed two Tap & Go machines in the Gathering Area. They are easy to use, and a secure and safe way to donate without using cash. Please see the simple step by step guide on the poster above each machine.

All monies received through Tap & Go or our Donate button are divided 60/40 between the two Mass collections, the Priests fund and Share. Donations to St. Gabriel's Church can be made by Banker's order, monthly envelope or donation in the Family Offerings Envelopes available in the Gathering Area.

Thank you again for your continued generosity and support.

Tom O'Reilly, Parish Manager