

For parishioners

Message from Archbishop Farrell about the Summer Dues initiative

In the Gospel reading for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear about the call of the Apostles to follow Jesus (Matthew 10:1-2). Their call was to minister with him, to share the good news of God's love for all in Jesus, 'to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is very close at hand' (Matthew 10:7). The mission of 'the Twelve' of imitating Christ with compassion for all those who suffer, and bringing with them his healing and peace, continues in the Church's pastoral ministry.

The ministerial priesthood has come down to us in the Church from Jesus and the Apostles. Please encourage and pray for your priests in their ministry, and pray, too, for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. As Jesus says: 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest (Matthew 9:37).'

The Summer Dues appeal contributes to the essential support of priests. The generosity that you have towards your priests is indispensable.

Please play your part, too, in a renewed and active involvement of all the baptised as together we build a synodal Church, nourishing and supporting each other, led by the Holy Spirit and counting the wonderful blessings of God in our lives.

Tax on donation scheme

The generosity that people show towards their priests is very reassuring. Your contributions can go further without any additional cost to you thanks to the tax relief available on charitable donations. With your help the parish can claim a tax refund from Revenue up to the value of 45% of your identifiable contributions amounting to €250 or more in any given year.

Please use the envelope provided, giving your details so that the parish can contact you, to help process the tax rebate from Revenue.

The parish can reclaim the tax no matter whether you are PAYE or Self-Assessed. This tax rebate from Revenue is now an important source of income for the parish.