



NEWSLETTER EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

DULEEK PARISH WITH DONORE PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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DAY OF PRAYER FOR TEMPERANCE



Caroline Doyle

The Parish Office

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Tuesday to Thursday

10am – 5pm



THE SYNODAL PATHWAY

IN THE PARISHES

OF DONORE & DULEEK

12-3PM SATURDAY 5TH MARCH

Next Saturday we in the Parishes of Donore and Duleek will hold our Synodal Pathway gathering. If you wish to participate in any or all of the Steps please phone or email so as we can arrange refreshments etc. Tel: 041-9823205 Email: duleekparish@gmail.com

First Step at 12noon gathering at the churches in Bellewstown, Donore and Rossnaree for the Angelus. We invite as many as possible to walk (*dressed for the weather and with high vis jackets!!*) the three pilgrim routes from these churches to St. Cianán's Duleek.

Second Step in St. Cianán's Church at 1pm the pilgrims who have travelled by foot and all interested in participating in this Synodal process gather for refreshments and a chance to chat about being members of the Catholic Church.

Third Step 1:30-2pm a period of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament and guided prayer imploring the Holy Spirit to guide us on the Synodal Pathway.

Fourth Step a time for each parishioner to write their own personal answers to the set of questions being asked of all participants.

Fifth Step an opportunity to share reflections which will be noted for consideration at the Deanery Level.

Sixth Step at 3pm we each take a light from the Paschal Candle and walk as a pilgrim people of God to the Old Duleek Abbey where we will Renew the Baptismal Promises and be blessed as we seek to be renewed in the Spirit eager to re-evangelise, to assist those around us to hear the Good News and share the pathway we follow Christ, Our Risen Saviour, to Heaven.

All parishioners are invited to reach out and invite family or friends who feel estranged or have given up on being associated with the Catholic Church to consider participating in this important event, as together we seek the Holy Spirit to bring us all as children of God to a better sense of what being a believer in Christ ought to be in the world today!

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

The First Deanery Meeting for the Synodal Pathway will be held in the Star of the Sea Church, Mornington on Tuesday 8th March at 8pm for those involved in the liturgical life of our parishes e.g. Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Holy Communion, choir members, organists, ushers/collectors, sacristans, etc. Anyone involved in these ministries is welcome to attend.

February 2022.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, Next Wednesday, we begin our celebration of Lent...As restrictions lift and are disappearing, there is an opportunity for the people of the Diocese of Meath to enter into the Season of Lent 2022 with a renewed sense of our identity as the People of God, joyful in our gathering in His name, confident in His mercy and hopeful in the power of His grace to transform our lives. That is what church is! Our Lenten pilgrimage this year will have the added element of the Synodal Pathway. I echo the invitation of Pope Francis to each member of the Christian community in the Diocese of Meath to join in this moment of listening as we prayerfully discern together what the Spirit of God is saying to the Church in this diocese at this time. It is important that we have this discussion about the local church or what we call parish. This discernment must be relevant to our local parishes and influence our local parishes. This discernment must be practical, not theoretical, and must influence what we do in the years ahead. It will be a discernment guided by the Holy Spirit and rooted in faith. The synodal meetings that have been organised at deanery level throughout the

Diocese on the Tuesday evenings of Lent are an opportunity for all the Baptised in the Diocese of Meath to have a meaningful say in the universal Synod that will be held in Rome in 2023. By asking us to reflect on our experience of *communion, participation, and mission* in the life of our Church at parish level, Pope Francis is calling each of us to play our part in bringing about a new springtime for our Church.....To those of you who love your Church, I say, "tell your story!". Do not be afraid to articulate how you experience belonging to the

Community of the Disciples of Christ; do not hesitate to express how your faith transforms your life and offers you hope and meaning on the journey of life. Equally, do not be afraid to express in love your concern for the future of your Church, your fears for the faith of your children and your longing for a vibrant parish community that will sustain your faith. To those of you who at best feel that you are on the margins of the Church, or at worst feel excluded from the Church, I say, "the Church needs to hear your voice!" I ask for your honesty. Do not be afraid to share your pain or to articulate that which you seek in the Church but do not find. You are part of the Church by your Baptism and in this synodal process the voice of every baptised person is equal. Ask the Holy Spirit who dwells in your heart to give you the words that your Church needs to hear. [] May the ashes that will mark our foreheads on Ash Wednesday mark us out as the

People of God on a journey, pilgrims seeking to discern God's will. And may Mary, Mother of the Church and St. Finian, our teacher of the faith, guide our steps in the way of faith, hope, and love.

✠ Tom Deenihan. Bishop of Meath.



See text in full on www.duleekbellewstownparish.com

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7:30pm Sandra Clarke; Patricia Dardis; Kevin Finnegan; Tommy & Teresa Geraghty; Violet Sheridan.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo

12noon Peggy Murray M.M; Brian Connor & dec family; Jack & Peggy McCormack.

Tuesday 10am Seamus Gorman **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10- 12noon & 6-7pm**

Ash Wednesday 8am & 10am - Day of prayer, fast & abstinence

Thursday 10am Bridget Bird followed by Communion Calls.

First Friday 10am Parish List of the Dead.

Saturday 7:30pm Joe Fedigan; Margaret Hillman.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo

12noon Joe Colville 1st Ann; Kevin, Rena, Patrick & Eamon Andrews; Bridget & John Fleming; Enda & Vera O'Boyle; Nancy, Anne, Alicia & Ted Woods.

Confessions on Saturdays 6:30pm - 7pm

ST. THÉRÈSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10am Margaret & James Coyne; Michael Forde & dec family; Bridget Mockler.

Ash Wednesday 9am - Day of prayer, fast & abstinence Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10.30am

Sunday 10am Missa pro populo

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 9:15am

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm

Please note that during the week if there is a funeral, there will be no morning Mass that day. Instead Morning Prayer of the Church plus Rosary can be said by those who gather (sheets available from the sacristy).The intention will be included in the funeral Mass.

After Mass blessed ashes will be available in St. Cianán's & St. Thérèse's. If you are unable to attend Mass try to visit a church during the day; pray before the Cross and the Lenten Garden as we begin the journey of Lent, seeking the merciful love of God.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): € 950.03

PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 763.40

Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number: IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEKEND

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR 6TH & 13TH MARCH

Sat. 7:30pm Aoihbhin Gleeson & Millie Burke Sun. 9am Brian Darby & Philip Murray 12 noon Ann Marie Maughan & Ann Finger.

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR 5TH & 6TH MARCH - TEAM A

Sat. 7:30pm Frank McKeon; Caroline Doyle; Susan Gleeson; Thelma Touhy Sun. 9am John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonald; Joan Gilmore 12noon Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee; Paul Ryan.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 6TH MARCH Bridie Brannigan MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Loretto Ludlow & Rose O'Reilly

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Vincent de Paul church gate collection at all Masses on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th February. Thank you for your continued support.

Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement meeting on Ash Wednesday 2nd March @ 2.30pm in The Parish Centre. All welcome.

Duleek Bridge Club are back playing Bridge on Wednesday 2nd March 2022 @ 7.30pm in the new Community Centre on the Navan Road. We are looking forward to seeing all our members back after such a long break and would be delighted to welcome any new players.

Holy Land Pilgrimage – fully escorted trip 1st June 2022 visiting Jerusalem, Nazareth, Galilee and more. Spiritual Director is Fr Sean Henry. Cost €1,895 HB, details from www.travalue.ie 0818 333990.



As we begin Lent, our sacred time of 'operation transformation' set aside an extra bit of time for prayer, daily Mass, or Sunday gospel reflection via zoom every Thursday of lent (contact parish office for details). Maybe set up a sacred space/altar in your home with the Bible at the centre and use the Trocaire Box as a visible reminder of how fortunate we are and of what we can share with those whose needs are greater. And of course we are called to give up some favourite foods/sweets or even T.V., iPad or Facebook time as a way of fasting for Lent! With so much talk of going vegan remember that as Catholics we are asked to abstain from meat every Friday and if possible every Wednesday so perhaps you might also consider keeping this practice for Lent!

Lent a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving
Trocaire Boxes can be picked up the churches.

www.trocaire.org

