NEWSLETTER *THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST* 25TH DECEMBER 2022

DULEEK PARISH WITH DONORE PARISH
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MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Christmas Eve 5pm *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)* **9pm** *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Christmas Day 9am *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)* **12noon** *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
St. Stephen's Day 10am *Missa pro populo*

No Mass on Tuesday Morning (10am in Donore)
No Mass on Wednesday Morning (10am in Bellewstown)
Thursday **10am** Johnny Lenehan; Harry O'Connor; Tony Powderly.
No Mass on Friday Morning (10am in Donore)

New Year's Eve 7.30pm *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*
New Year's Day 9am *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*
New Year's Day 12noon *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Christmas Eve 7pm *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Christmas Day 10am *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
No Mass on St Stephen's Day (10am in Duleek)
Wednesday **10am** *No Adoration of Blessed Sacrament*
New Year's Day 10am *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): €1,185.12
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 793.15
Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number:
IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61

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TO ASSIST NEXT WEEKEND ***All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass***
ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR 1ST & 8TH JANUARY
Sat Vigil Sinead Boylan & Geraldine Little *Sun. 9am* Una Doyle & Pat Shanley. *Sun. 12 noon* Billy Doyle & Mary Collier
ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR 31ST DEC & 1ST JAN - TEAM A
Sat Vigil Susan Gleeson; Frank McKeon; Damian Quinn; Caroline Doyle *Sun. 9am* John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonald; Joan Gilmore *12noon* Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee; Paul Ryan.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 1ST JAN Mary Howard
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Monica Cross & Una McGuinness

INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Martin Collins, Bellewstown/Turkey; Rose Lynch, Balsaran Close, Duleek; Frances Wall, The Moor, Duleek.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 (1ST-6TH AUGUST) will be celebrated in Lisbon, Portugal. It is a massive weeklong event, with Pope Francis, for young Catholics (aged 18-35) to gather and participate in from every corner of the world. Consider joining with others from your parish and the Diocese of Meath to share this experience of belonging to Jesus Christ. Perhaps it could be a great Christmas present for your family to support you with as you book your place. Cost €650 approx. All expenses included. To find out more checkout www.dioceseofmeath.ie Meath Diocese WYD.

HAPPY Christmas!! Gathering to honour Our Saviour's Birthday let us give thanks to God and count our blessings!

Christmas – a time of faith, hope and love! For most of us it is a happy time but in prayer we support those who have to cope with illness or other tough concerns. Know that God is with you – Emmanuel; Christ the Lord. A sincere word of thanks to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society and to all volunteers who so generously contribute to making Christmas a little less stressed and a lot happier for those most in need in our community. We also want to thank the many parishioners who assist with the pastoral, spiritual and financial needs of our parish, especially with looking after the churches, helping at the Masses, sharing in the work at the parish office, the parish grounds, the cemeteries and in the parish schools throughout the year. Special greetings to those home for Christmas and to new parishioners spending their first Christmas with us in Duleek & Bellewstown; Donore & Rossnaree. It has been such a difficult time following the pandemic, with the war in Ukraine and the uncertain economic atmosphere adding to the costs of living, so let us experience the true gift of Christmas and come to appreciate our identity with Jesus Our Saviour, born in the poverty of a stable and fleeing with Mary and Joseph as a refugees to Egypt before it was safe to return to Nazareth; this is how God gifted humanity and continues to be with us. So this Christmas Day may the Light of Christ light up our lives, illuminate the darkness which prevails in our world and shine the Light of Heaven brightly for all our dead, especially remembering those who have died since our last Christmas. Assuring you all of our prayers and wishing you and your families, peace and joy as you celebrate our Saviour's birthday. Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony.

If anyone has Christmas presents that they were given and have no great need for them and would like to give them to charity you may leave them next weekend at the crib in the churches. Can you mark the presents for men/women/children and age group.

As a New Year resolution do consider committing an hour or even a half an hour to Adoration before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and praying for the needs of our local community and of the world at this time. *Please note Adoration in St. Therese's Bellewstown will recommence on Wednesday 11th January 2023.*

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Development Association CLG would like to thanks everybody who supported the Quiz and Christmas raffle on Thursday 15th Dec in Carranstown Lodge. Thanks also to those who sponsored spot prizes and Duleek Community Shop for sponsoring the raffle prizes. There was a good turn out n the night considering the bad weather conditions. The results of the raffle are 1st Prize – Christmas Hamper - Silvy Verdon; 2nd Prize – €100 - Sandra Callaghan; 3rd Prize – €50 Meat Voucher - Danny Sullivan; 4th Prize – Beauty Hamper - Colin McDonnell; 5th Prize – Bottle of Whiskey - Jamie Brannigan; 6th Prize – Selection of Wines - Paul Brannigan; 7th Prize – Selection of Chocolates - Jack Day.

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