



NEWSLETTER *THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A*

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12TH MARCH 2023



Caroline Doyle
The Parish Office
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Tuesday to Thursday
10am-5pm

LÁ FHÉILE PÁDRAIG - HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



Wishing everyone a most enjoyable day and every blessing to you and your families; thinking especially of family members living abroad.



The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal invite you to **"LIGHT THE FIRE"**. 5pm Vespers on the Hill of Slane, followed by a procession to the Church of St. Patrick, Slane (weather permitting). Mass celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty followed by Adoration. All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7.30pm Aiden Burns M.M; Anthony (Tony) Quinn M.M; Edward Johnston M.M; Geneviève Chambard; Kathleen Byrne; Margaret Hillman.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo

Sunday 12noon Eamon Mullen 1st Ann; Chrissie Clinton; Patrick, Alice & John Hartford; Fr Desmond Hartford; Coleman Smith.

No Mass this Tuesday - Miraculous Medal Novena – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10-12noon & 6-7pm

Wednesday 7.30am *Mass for Lent*

Thursday 9.30am Missa pro populo

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Friday 9am **St Patricks Day** Missa pro populo

Friday 12noon **St Patricks Day** Missa pro populo

Saturday 7.30pm Jimmy Carroll; Shaun Lynch; Billy McGuinness; Mylie Reilly; Baby Liam Reilly.

Sunday 9am Mary & Bridget Bohan; Thomas & Annie Heeney & dec family; Mary Kavanagh; Tom, Vonnice & Tony Heeney & dec family.

Sunday 12noon Ilze Canning M.M; Margo Hannan; Joe, Eileen & James Moss; Mandy O'Connor; Tommy O'Connor; Mary, Francis, Brendan & Mary Teeling.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10am Marian Flynn & dec family; Teresa McGrath; John & Helena Collins.

Wednesday Adoration of Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am until 9.30am

Wednesday 9.30am Missa pro populo

Friday 10am **St Patricks Day** Missa pro populo

Sunday 10am Claire Brannigan; Tom, Jack & Rose Collier; Henry & Margaret Flynn; Paddy Joyce; John Whearty.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 1612.04
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 819.30
Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number:
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TO ASSIST AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR 12TH & 19TH MARCH

Sat Vigil Marian Coleman & Katie O'Connor *Sun. 9am* Brian Darby & Philip Murray *Sun. 12 noon* Aóibh Collier & Olivia Woods

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR 18TH & 19TH MARCH - TEAM C

Sat Vigil Rosemarie Reilly; Caroline Doyle; Debbie O'Sullivan *Sun. 9am* Billy Doyle; William Maguire; Pat Shanley.

12noon Colm Heeney; Liz Lynch; Mairead Cromwell.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 19TH MARCH Brian Quinn

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Joe Collins & Rose Forbes.

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass



IN BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY: Caiden David Farrell, Duleek.



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Aine McConnon, Duleek; Andy Walsh, Sneego, Duleek; Michael (Mickey) Naughton, Athcarne, Duleek.

PARISH EASTER CARDS & OFFERING ENVELOPES are now ready for distribution. We are most grateful to the many volunteers who assist with the distribution throughout the parish. Could all who help as distributors please call to the Parish Office from Tuesday to Thursday.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Clann Mór Residential & Respite services are holding their annual church gate collection this weekend at all masses.

Duleek Cardiac First Response Group are holding a fundraising table quiz in The Carranstown Lodge on Thursday 6th April starting at 9pm. Tickets for our Easter raffle are now on sale priced €3 each from all responders, Haven pharmacy Duleek and dry cleaners Duleek.

Duleek Cystic Fibrosis 10K Remembrance Run 30/04/2023 @ 2:00pm. To remember & celebrate the lives of Kelley, Cathy & all of our beautiful CF loved ones. All proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis Ireland. FB page <https://www.facebook.com/duleekcf10>

Duleek Women's Forum would like to thank everybody who sponsored raffle prizes and supported the Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale in Duleek Courthouse on Tuesday 7th March, €1040 was raised for the Turkey & Syria Earthquake Appeal.



As we continue our spiritual journey of Lent, remember too that as Catholics we are asked to abstain from meat every Friday (except St. Patrick's Day!!) and if possible every Wednesday, so perhaps you might also consider keeping this practice over the weeks of Lent! During Lent there will be Mass every Wednesday morning at 7.30am in St Cianán's Church, Duleek. Fr. Mark will also host a zoom meet every Thursday from 8:30-9pm for Lectio Divina; a shared reflection upon the Sunday Gospels of Lent. Perhaps this week and every Friday visit the Church and walking around reflect upon the Stations of the Cross.

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2023 on the theme: "Lenten Penance and the Synodal Journey"

"The Lenten journey of penance and the journey of the Synod alike have as their goal a transfiguration, both personal and ecclesial. A transformation that, in both cases, has its model in the Transfiguration of Jesus and is achieved by the grace of his paschal mystery. So that this transfiguration may become a reality in us this year, I would like to propose two "paths" to follow in order to ascend the mountain together with Jesus and, with him, to attain the goal. The first path has to do with the command that God the Father addresses to the disciples on Mount Tabor as they contemplate Jesus transfigured. The voice from the cloud says: "Listen to him" (Mt 17:5). The first proposal, then, is very clear: we need to listen to Jesus. Lent is a time of grace to the extent that we listen to him as he speaks to us. And how does he speak to us? First, in the word of God, which the Church offers us in the liturgy. May that word not fall on deaf ears; if we cannot always attend Mass, let us study its daily biblical readings, even with the help of the internet. In addition to the Scriptures, the Lord speaks to us through our brothers and sisters, especially in the faces and the stories of those who are in need. Let me say something else, which is quite important for the synodal process: listening to Christ often takes place in listening to our brothers and sisters in the Church. Such mutual listening in some phases is the primary goal, but it remains always indispensable in the method and style of a synodal Church." See www.vatican.va for full text

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY

Bishop Michael Smith celebrated the 60th Anniversary of his priestly Ordination on Thursday 9th March. A native of Oldcastle in County Meath, Bishop Michael Smith was born in 1940. Following studies at the Pontifical Irish College, Rome, he was ordained a priest on 9th March 1963 in the Basilica of St. John Lateran by Cardinal Traglia, Cardinal-Bishop of Albano. He was subsequently ordained an auxiliary Bishop of Meath 29th January 1984 and co-adjutor Bishop of Meath on 10th October 1988. Bishop Smith retired in 2018. We give thanks for his prayerful witness, and his unwavering fidelity and service to the Church. May God continue to bless him with good health, a peaceful heart, and a cheerful spirit. *Ad multos annos.*

PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY

"What does it mean to be the People of God?", Pope Francis asked in a weekly audience. "Being the Church, being the People of God, means being God's leaven in this our humanity", and the mission of the People of God, the Pope continued, is "to bring God's hope and salvation to the world: to be a sign of the love of God who calls all to friendship with him." The Council expressed its earnestness in this developed understanding of the People of God when it 'earnestly entreats all the laity in the Lord to answer gladly, nobly, and promptly the more urgent invitation of Christ in this hour and the impulse of the Holy Spirit.' The gifts of the Holy Spirit expressed in the ministries and charisms are given for the building up of the Body of Christ and for its mission of salvation in the world. Indeed, the Church directed and guided by the Holy Spirit, calls each in an individual way, active and coresponsible. This call to active, coresponsible participation by the laity in the mission of the Church also has foundation in Scripture: 'The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour (Luke 4:18-19). The mission of Jesus is clearly defined in this passage from the Gospel of Luke and in turn defines the mission and pastoral action of every local church. Christifideles Laici, brings focus on the vocation and mission of the lay faithful in the Church and in the world. Church communion then is a gift, a great gift of the Holy Spirit, to be gratefully accepted by the lay faithful, and at the same time to be lived with a deep sense of responsibility. This is concretely realized through their participation in the life and mission of the Church, to whose service the lay faithful put their varied and complementary ministries and charisms." During the weeks of Lent let us reflect and pray in preparation for the forming of our Parish Pastoral Assembly in the Season of Easter.



