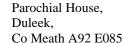


NEWSLETTER SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

DULEEK PARISH WITH DONORE PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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The Parish Office Parochial House Tuesday to Thursday 10am-5pm

5TH MARCH 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7.30pm Bridget Bird; Joe Fedigan; Peggy & Jack McCormack; Alice, Ollie & Bernard Mohan:

Catherine & Bridget Tuohy.

Sunday **9am** Missa pro populo

Sunday 12noon Kevin, Anna, Patrick & Eamonn Andrews; Joey & Daisy Cudden; Anna Finnegan Coll; Jim Gray;

Tom & Mary Lowthe; Mary, Chrissie & Terry Lowthe.

Tuesday 9.30am followed by Miraculous Medal Novena – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10-12noon & 6-7pm

Wednesday 7.30am Mass for Lent Thursday **9.30am** Missa pro populo **9.30am** Seamus Dardis. Friday

Saturday **7.30pm** Aiden Burns M.M; Kathleen Byrne; Margaret Hillman.

9am Missa pro populo Sunday

12noon Eamon Mullen 1st Ann: Chrissie Clinton: Coleman Smith. Sunday

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

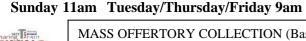
Sunday **10am** Missa pro populo

Wednesday Adoration of Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am until 9.30am

9.30am William, Kathleen & Esther Brangan; Margaret & Nicholas Hughes 10am Marian Flynn & dec family; Teresa McGrath; John & Helena Collins. Sunday

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE **Saturday** 6:30pm



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 1,400.54 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 787.20

Turkey & Syria Earthquake Collection: € 7,584.46 Sincere gratitude to everyone who has contributed so generously to the

special collection for Turkey & Syria.



If you prefer to use this QR code instead of the basket collection iust scan vour phone over it and follow the guide.

TO ASSIST AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

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 Aoibh Collier & Olivia Woods ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR 11TH & 12TH MARCH - TEAM B

Sat Vigil Ann Marie Dardis; Marina Nolan; Frank Ryan Sun. 9am Monina McAlister; Ann McDonnell; Gillian Duffy 12noon Henry Clifford; Una McGuinness; Olga Hunt; Sam Power.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 12THMARCH Richard Howard

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Ciaran De Barra & Rose O'Reilly



IN BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY: Owen William Heffernan, Bellewstown; Fiadh Lily Woods, Fowlerstown.



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Thomas Battersby, London formerly of Cushenstown, brother of Deirdre Coyle, Cushenstown.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Women's Forum are running a Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale on Tuesday 7th March for Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal at 10am -11am in Duleek Courthouse. Raffle on the day. 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.



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. Event details: www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony or 041 983 0441



THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Congratulations to all the candidates who celebrated their Confirmation Day in St Cianán's Church, Duleek. May they, with their families support, continue to grow in the Faith and bear witness to the ways of Christ Jesus, with the inexhaustible grace of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to all who so kindly helped prepare the church with the cleaning, flower arrangements and sacristan duties. Thanks also to the principals, teachers and staff for their huge support instructing the candidates; we extend our gratitude to all in our parish schools.



www.vatican.va for full text

During this season of Lent put aside an extra bit of time for prayer, daily Mass, or Eucharistic Adoration. 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! Remember too 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 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" "Lenten penance is a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way of the cross. This is precisely what Peter and the other disciples needed to do. To deepen our knowledge of the Master, to fully understand and embrace the mystery of his salvation, accomplished in total self-giving inspired by love, we must allow ourselves to be taken aside by him and to detach ourselves from mediocrity and vanity. We need to set out on the journey, an uphill path that, like a mountain trek, requires effort, sacrifice and concentration. These requisites are also important for the synodal journey to which, as a Church, we are committed to making. We can benefit greatly from reflecting on the relationship between Lenten penance and the synodal experience" See

PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY In the Encyclical, 'The Joy of the Gospel', Pope Francis urges the entire Church "to embark on a new chapter of evangelism". He firmly believes the parish is not an outdated institution, precisely because it possesses great flexibility, creativity, generosity of spirit, and parishioners on fire with the Holy Spirit who are willing to share in Christ's mission of evangelisation. [] If a parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, is missionary in nature, supported in prayer, and open to the Holy Spirit, it will continue to be 'the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters'. [] At parish level, structures such as Parish Pastoral Assemblies express the shared responsibility of all the baptised for the mission of Christ. The pastoral leadership provided by Parish Pastoral Assemblies furthers this work of the Church in a genuine spirit of collaboration, dialogue, prayer, discernment and pastoral action. Pope Francis endorsed the work of Parish Pastoral Councils when he said, "How necessary pastoral councils are! A Bishop cannot guide a Diocese without pastoral councils. A Parish Priest cannot guide without pastoral councils." 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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR TURKEY/SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL Thanks to everyone who so generously contributed to the special collection take up at Masses last weekend. Donations can still be made online to Duleek Parish IBAN IE27 AIBK 9323 9604 1613 58 using reference Earthquake Appeal. All donations received will be sent to the local catholic church in both regions affected, this will be done through the Papal Nunciature in Dublin.



BELLEWSTOWN HALL Last year repairs were carried out on the hall roof which included re-slating, new gutters and fascia boards. We now need to repair some of the inside to make it compliant with health and safety regulations and to allow us to open it up for use again. We would love to have it open by Easter or soon afterwards. As a parish we have spent €79K to date on the roof, we also received a heritage grant of €9K and an Allianz storm claim of €13k. It is not feasible to spend any more parish monies on this project as work still has to be carried out on the Churches in Bellewstown and Duleek. So we hope with the help of volunteers and generous benefactors to get the job done! If you can offer your skills, expertise or donations it would be most grateful. It's our hall, for our use, so please join us in the hall after 10am Mass next Sunday 12th March if you can offer your assistance to complete this project.