



NEWSLETTER TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY YEAR A

DULEEK PARISH WITH DONORE PARISH

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1ST OCTOBER 2023

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Tuesday to Thursday
10am-5pm



The Catholic Church for the past two years has been preparing for this great Synod, a "walking on the way together". Pope Francis has asked, "How can the Church better fulfil her mission of offering hope to ALL people?" The Holy Father wants the whole church to practice being 'Synodal', walking together and praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit so we will hear what God is saying to us now in these days. The Pope uses three words when he talks about Synod: Communion, Participation, and Mission. We are not being invited simply to put forward opinions or even to debate, but rather to listen prayerfully to the Holy Spirit speaking to us as individuals, families, worshipping communities, and all our brothers and sisters. In advance of the first assembly of the Universal Synod, which begins on 4th October 2023, an ecumenical prayer vigil is taking place in Rome this evening 30th September to unite us all in praise and worship. In extending this invitation to *Together | Gathering of the People of God*, Pope Francis reminded us that 'the path to Christian unity and the path of synodal conversion of the Church are linked'. In a special way, young people from across the world, from all Church backgrounds, have been invited to Rome and have been welcomed for a weekend of sharing, to journey together as the people of God to pray for the work of the Synod and the prayer of Our Lord Jesus Christ that one day we would all be one (John 17:21). This initiative has been guided by the Taizé Community. Please follow all the events via the diocesan website www.dioceseofmeath.ie and the Vatican website www.vatican.va



MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7:30pm Peter Heeney 1st Ann; John Clarke; Helga Lowthe; Baby Eireann McAuley.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo

Sunday 12noon Liam O'Halloran 1st Ann; Kelly Noone; Michael Snr, Bridget, Jamie & Michael Jnr Reid; Bernadette & Tommy Rooney; Anne O'Brien.

Tuesday 9:30am *Miraculous Medal Novena – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6-7pm*

No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown)

Thursday 9.30am Missa pro populo

First Friday 9:30am Parish List of the Dead.

Saturday 7:30pm Peter O'Neill M.M.; Bartle (Buddy) McAuley 1st Ann; May & Joe Bird; Nicko Coleman.

Sunday 9am Myles Jnr, Sean, Colin & Maureen Byrne; Myles Snr & Eva Byrne & dec family.

Sunday 12noon Michael Curran; Jim & Frances O'Neill.

Every Saturday guided Holy Hour of Adoration and Benediction in St. Cianan's 5-6pm with Confessions from 6-6:30pm

ST. THÉRÈSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10am Pat Flynn.

Wednesday 9:30am Adoration will recommence from 8.30am-9.30am

Sunday 10am Robbie Carr.

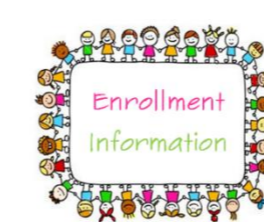
FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

Fr. Mark & Fr Francis will do communion calls for Duleek this Thursday and Donore on Friday.



OCTOBER is the Month dedicated to the Holy Rosary and also to the Mission of the Church. Amid all the difficulties everyone is trying to cope with as we face into the winter don't forget the power of prayer!! Despite everything, we know how blessed we are to live in this part of the world. So let us count our blessings and pray for those who live in parts of the world crippled with great distress. We especially hold in our prayers all who serve as missionaries giving gospel solidarity to the poorest of the poor in the world. We pray too for the Synod throughout this holy month. Together let us renew the mission entrusted to each one of us to share our faith and to pray as a family. In offering the few minutes for the daily rosary we simply, yet powerfully, use the blessed beads to mediate upon the mysteries of life and seek the intercession of Our Heavenly Mother. 'We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin'.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 It is important that those families seeking the gift of these sacraments take time and make effort in preparing their children by participating in the Parish Masses and other pastoral activities provided throughout the pastoral year leading up to the celebration of the sacraments. The sacraments are much more than just a one day event or party but an ongoing encounter with the Risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the merciful love of Our Heavenly Father. We implore the guidance and intercession of Our Lady, St. Joseph and all the Saints as we journey together as a Faith Community at home, at church and at school. Enrolment Forms for the children, with the support of their families, who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and make their First Holy Communion, will be available after Masses this weekend or from the Parish Office during Office Hours this week. Enrolment weekend will take place on Sunday next 7th/8th October. On handing in their enrolment form each child will receive a Passport as they begin this spiritual journey. Over the time ahead they will receive a stamp or sticker as they mark special Faith moments along the way. Please pray for and encourage the children and their families as they grow in the Faith, Hope and Love we share as Catholics.



SCHOOL ENROLMENT It is the time of year for families to enrol their children for the following academic year 2024/25. We draw your attention to this period and especially for those who will have their first child starting 'big school'! The parish schools, Duleek Boys & Girls, Mounthanover, Bellewstown and Cushenstown, will commence accepting applications for admission from Monday 9th October until Monday 6th November. Please see the school websites www.duleekbns.ie, www.duleekgns.ie, www.mounthanoverns.ie, www.bellewstownns.com and www.cushinstownns.com or contact the school offices directly for more information.



Well Done to the Intermediate Men's Team on reaching the county final yet again! It's a brilliant achievement!! We look forward to cheering on the team next weekend. We keep our fingers crossed and say a few extra prayers for the lads!! Best wishes to the team and all associated with their preparations.

PARISH ENVELOPE BOXES 2023/24 The new Parish Envelope Boxes begin this weekend. We are most grateful for the kind assistance the volunteer distributors provided in recent weeks. Again a huge thanks to everyone for your constant support to both the Development Fund and the Mass Offertory (basket) Collection. The basket or plate collection at Mass meets the weekly running cost of the parish, while the Parish Envelope is for the maintenance and development fund of the parish. Many parishioners choose to make an annual contribution or by using banking online facilities. Our Parish Bank details are detailed in the newsletter if you wish to set up your weekly, monthly or annual contribution in this way. Every person's or family's contribution makes a huge difference to paying the bills and ensuring the best facilities we can provide for the celebration of public worship and the support of the priest and staff of the parish. Sincere thanks again to everyone.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection) : € 1,047.07
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes) : € 983.50
Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number:
IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEKEND

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR 8TH & 15TH OCT

Sat 7:30pm Catriona Dillon & Marina Nolan **Sun. 9am** Aileen Crosby & Emily Maguire **Sun 12 noon** Maria Nestor & Kate McGuinness

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 7TH & 8TH OCT TEAM B

Sat Vigil 7.30pm Ann Marie Dardis; Marina Nolan; Frank Ryan **Sun. 9am** Monina McAlister; Ann McDonnell; Gillian Duffy.

Sun 12noon Henry Clifford; Una McGuinness; Olga Hunt

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 8TH OCT Bridie Brannigan MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Rose Forbes & Rose O'Reilly

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Patrick (Pat) Teeling, St Cianans Villas, Duleek.



DULEEK ALTAR SOCIETY group meeting in The Prayer Rooms on Thursday 5th October at 7.30pm. Any new volunteers who would like to assist with the flowers etc in the church are very welcome.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Bellewstown Hospice Coffee Morning would like to thank everyone who supported the coffee morning and thank you those who donated prizes for the raffle. You have helped raise €3,485 which goes directly to East Meath Hospice to help them continue delivering specialist palliative care. Congratulations to all the prize winners. Big thank you to our wonderful team of helpers. **Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement** next meeting on Wednesday 11th Oct in The Parish Centre @ 2pm. A fire officer from Navan Fire Service will give a talk on safety in the home. New members welcome. Bowls every Tuesday @ 2pm in The Parish Centre. **The Dukuleles** (a Duleek based ukulele band) are performing for Duleek Community First Responder Group at their fundraiser concert on Sat 21st October at 8:30pm in The Courthouse, Duleek. Admission only €5 payable at the door.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline 1800 677 777 or contact 087-0931068

ACCORD

For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

For anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation.

More info on all the above on www.dioceseofmeath.ie

