

## NEWSLETTER TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY YEAR A

**DULEEK PARISH** WITH DONORE PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

Fr. Mark English P.P. Fr. Francis Musoke A.P.

Parochial House, Duleek,

Co Meath A92 E085

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

Next week is Mission Sunday

and the collection at all

Masses is for the support of

the Roman Catholic parishes

& dioceses in poorer parts of

our world

15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7:30pm Margaret Molly; Patricia, Billy, Áine & Mary Rose O'Connor; Christina Clinton & dec. family; Margaret Curley

Sunday 9am John O'Brien.

Sunday 12noon Tina Malone; Kathleen & James O'Neill; John, Margaret, John & Bridie Anderson; Michael & Anthony (Mac) Herron;

Tony (Snuck) Vaughey.

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

No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown)

No Mass on Thursday (9am Donore)

**Friday** 9:30am Missa pro populo

**Saturday** 7:30pm Mary Weldon.

**Sunday 9am** Frank, Bridget, Terry & Bernie Kehoe, Liam & Margaret O'Reilly.

Sunday 12noon Silver Jubilee of Ordination Mass of Thanksgiving

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

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

**Sunday 10am** Terry Kierans.

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

Sunday 10am John & Molly Clerkin & dec family.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 1,346 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Priest Offerings): € 1,618

Many thanks for your generous contribution to the Priests Offering Day last weekend.



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

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

 $\mbox{\bf St. Cianán's}$  Ministers of the Word for  $22^{\mbox{\scriptsize ND}}$  &  $29^{\mbox{\scriptsize TH}}$  Oct

Sat 7:30pm Rosemary Reilly & Lorraine Noone Sun. 9am Mary Lyons & Annette Murray Sun 12 noon Billy Doyle & Olivia Woods

St. Cianán's Ministers of Holy Communion  $21^{\text{ST}}~\&~22^{\text{ND}}~\text{Oct}~\text{Team}~\text{A}$ 

Sat Vigil 7.30pm Frank McKeon; Damian Quinn; Susan Gleeson Sun. 9am John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonald, Sun 12noon Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee; Paul Ryan.

St. Thérése's Minister of the Word 22<sup>ND</sup> Oct Michael Leonard Ministers of Holy Communion Monica Cross & Una McGuinness



*IN BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:* Lily Sadie Ratcliffe.

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 9<sup>th</sup> October until Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please see the school websites www.duleekbns.ie, 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.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Dukuleles (a Duleek based ukulele band) are performing for Duleek Community First Responder Group at their fundraiser concert on Sat 21st October at 8:15pm in The Courthouse, Duleek. Admission only €5 payable at the door. Due to demand this is now a ticketed event. Tickets are on sale from Haven Pharmacy & the Dry Cleaners in Duleek and from all band members. Duleek Women's Forum are running Line Dancing classes and Craft classes for the next 3 weeks 10th,17th and 24th October.

AN AUTUMNAL MUSICAL DELIGHT! Bellewstown Church Choir, along with Naomh Treasa Youth Choir, host a concert of music from Handel to contemporary song, in aid of the refurbishment of Bellewstown Hall. It is an autumnal performance celebrating the joy of music. So please spread the word and keep the date free for family and friends to join us on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm in the Church of St. Therese, Bellewstown. Tickets available after all Masses this weekend; from choir members and from the Parish Office during the week: €20 for adults, U12s free.

**SILVER JUBILEE OF ORDINATION** On Mission Sunday, the 18<sup>th</sup> October 1998, I was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Meath by Bishop Michael Smith in my home parish of Bohermeen. Now, with the mercy and grace of God, I celebrate twenty five years of priestly ministry and service. With gratitude and joy, I'm delighted to mark this sacred milestone as your parish priest in Duleek and Donore. So I invite all who'd like to join in my Silver Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving to attend the 12noon Mass in St. Cianán's, Duleek next week Mission Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. A lot has happened over these years and I am so blest with the ever loving and prayerful support of my family, parishioners and friends who have shared in the journey since my ordination. My parents, siblings, nephews, nieces, wider circle of family and friends, along with Bishop Tom, my classmates and colleagues will also gather for this special occasion. Refeshments will be provided afterwards in the Old Court House, so please if you've time do come along! "The harvest is rich but the labours are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest." Lk. 10.2



An extract from the Synod opening remarks of Pope Francis in the Paul VI Audience Hall, Vatican on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023: "I like to say that the Synod is not a parliament; it is something else. The Synod is not a gathering among friends to resolve some current problems or to give opinions; it is something else. Let us not forget, brothers and sisters, that we are not the protagonist of the Synod: it is the Holy Spirit. If the Spirit is in our midst to guide us, it will be a good Synod. If there are other ways of going about things, based on human, personal or ideological interests, it will not be a Synod,

but more of a parliamentary meeting, which is another thing. A Synod is a journey that the Holy Spirit makes." Please follow all the events via the diocesan website www.dioceseofmeath.ie and the Vatican website www.vatican.va



**OCTOBER** every year we focus upon the Mission of the Church. How Mary first responded to the missionary call to bring Christ Jesus into the world and how we continue the Mission Jesus gave us as his followers. As believers in the Risen Lord we recognize the Joyful, Sorrowful, Luminous and Glorious mysteries of Our Lady's life and of our own! Pray the rosary with your families and thank God each day for the precious gift of life. Think of all Our Lady endured during her life here on earth! Love one another, forgive one another, for we never know what tomorrow will bring upon us.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY takes place next weekend. This is the Pope's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. Like the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three yearly universal Church collections. World Mission Sunday collections take place in every single parish where the Church is present. This includes not only Ireland and Europe, but also in poorer parishes in developing countries. It

is a moment of universal solidarity when each member of the Church family, regardless of location or background, play their part in supporting each other.' *Hearts on fire, feet on the move'!* Theme of Mission Sunday 2023. *Your support is greatly needed and appreciated. To find out more see www.missio.ie* 



**PARISH LIST OF THE DEAD** As we approach November, we compile our own individual list of our beloved dead and add them to the *Parish List of the Dead 2023*. The Parish List of the Dead envelopes are now ready for distribution and we are most grateful to the many volunteers who assist with the distribution throughout the parish. Could all who help as distributors call to the Parish Office from Tuesday to Thursday this week.

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm in St. Cianán's Church a special Mass of Memory will be offered, at which we will think especially of the parishioners whom we have buried since this time last year. We invite their families to join us for this Memorial, as we recognise their grief and support them with our prayers. We also invite other parishioners who may have lost loved ones and celebrated their funerals elsewhere. Please come and join with us as we pray for the gentle repose of their souls in the eternal love and mercy of God.

**CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024** For those with Enrolment forms please go into the sacristy after Mass to hand them in and receive a sacramental passport. Let us support and encourage our youngest parishioners with joy and prayer.



**AN EARLY PARTY INVITE!** Commemorating the Feast of All Saints on 1<sup>st</sup> November we invite the children of our parish and their families to a special 7:30pm Mass in St. Cianán's Duleek dressed as a favourite saint. There are lots to choose from, including many on the links Bishop Tom sent to the Confirmation children! Afterwards there will be party food and some prizes will be given to the best-dressed 'boy saint' & 'girl saint'! Relics of some saints will be on display as we celebrate this most sacred Day and the Feast of All Souls 2<sup>nd</sup> November. If any volunteers could help out please contact Caroline at the Parish Office.

**YOUTH MEET & PRAYER GATHERING** (+18 years) will take place in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Ratoath at 7:30pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Inspired by the Spirit of World Youth Day 2023 this is an opportunity for young adults to join together for prayer, reflection & discussion assisted with the support and guidance of priests from the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share the invite and bring a friend or two. Contact Fr. Mark for more info duleekparish@gmail.com.