



NEWSLETTER SECOND IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

DULEEK PARISH WITH DONORE PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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19TH JANUARY 2025

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

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Saturday 7pm Kathleen Murray M.M; Paula Fagan 1st Ann; Richard McGuinness 1st Ann; Johnny & Jimmy Devereaux; Bridget & John Reilly.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo.

Sunday 12noon Bernard Clarke 1st Ann; David Murphy.

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

No Mass on Wednesday Morning (9:30am in Bellewstown)

Thursday 9:30am Missa pro populo.

Friday 9:30am Larry Campbell.

Saturday 7pm Phyllis Moore M.M; Alice Herron.

Sunday 9am Missa pro populo.

Sunday 12noon Gary Murray M.M; Peggy Murray; Tony Andrews; John & Molly Regan.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10am Hugh & Gerry Bellew; Pat & Ita Hoey & dec family.

Wednesday 9:30am *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8.30-9.30am followed by Mass.*

Sunday 10am Patrick & Kathleen Black; Patrick & Theresa Black.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): €1,052.75
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 946.50
Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number:
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TO ASSIST AT THE MASSES

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD 26TH JAN & 2ND FEB *Prayers of the Faithful available for Ministers of the Word in the Sacristy.*
Sat 7:30pm Rosemary Reilly & Lorraine Noone **Sun.9am** Emma McQuaile & Richard Bowden **Sun 12noon** Billy Doyle & Olivia Woods

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 25TH & 26TH JAN TEAM A

Sat 7.30pm Susan Gleeson & Paul Ryan **Sun. 9am** John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonald.
Sun 12noon Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD SUNDAY 26TH JAN Mary Howard

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY 19TH JAN Rose Forbes & Joe Collins



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY: Seán James McAuley.



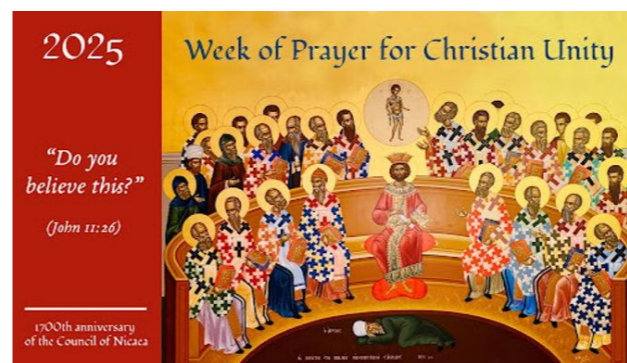
INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND:
Mary Canning, Cushinstown.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement AGM on Wednesday the 22nd January @ 2pm in The Parish Centre. New members welcome. Bowls every Tuesday 2pm in The Parish Centre. **Irish Blood Transfusion Service** will be in Duleek School on Wednesday 29th January 5-9pm. Call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment or check your eligibility at giveblood.ie
Chair Yoga class for adults 50+, enjoyable class with seated yoga. Duleek Community Facility from Thursday 30th January. 6-week programme, cost €30. Contact Paula 0469067887 or email p cunningham@meathcoco.ie

DIOCESAN CHANGES

Last year in the diocesan changes Fr. Francis was assigned as Assistant Priest (A.P.) to the Cathedral Parish of Mullingar, in place of Fr. Vincent Daka who was completing his studies in Maynooth. The move didn't take place when the other changes were coming into effect last July but was postponed, as Fr. Vincent required more time to finish his thesis. Bishop Tom has informed us that all is now ready for Fr. Francis to take up his new placement. This will happen at the end of January when Fr Francis completes his semester exams. So this weekend and the weekend after will be Fr. Francis last with us in Donore & Duleek. Let us assure him of our prayers and thanks in these days ahead.



2025 marks the 1700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council held in Nicaea, near Constantinople in 325 AD. This commemoration provides a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the common faith of Christians, as expressed in the creed formulated during this council. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 offers an invitation to draw on this shared heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. The guiding biblical text for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 comes from John 11:17-27. The theme for the week, "Do you believe this?" (v. 26), takes its cue from the dialogue between Jesus and Martha

when Jesus visited the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany following the death of their brother Lazarus. The resources are jointly published by the Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity and the World Council of Churches. Daily resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity as well as the approved Order of Service are available on www.dioceseofmeath.ie



To live out the Sixth Sunday of the Word of God, which will be celebrated throughout the Church this coming 26 January 2025, Pope Francis has chosen as the theme the words of the Psalmist, "I hope in your Word" (Ps. 119:74). It is a cry of hope: man, in a moment of anguish, tribulation, and confusion, cries out to God and puts all his hope in him. It is a deeply human experience, as is usually found in the Psalter. Everyone hopes, we all have hopes, but what is communicated to us in this Jubilee is a "Hope," in the singular. It is not an abstract idea or naive optimism, but a person, alive and present in everyone's life: Christ crucified and risen, the only one who never abandons us. Pauline theology is extremely clear on this point: "Christ Jesus our hope" (1 Tim. 1:1). [] A jubilee that knocks on the door every 25 years and prompts us to take life seriously, offers the opportunity to keep our eyes fixed on the hope that evangelical realism brings. The Sunday of the Word of God once again allows Christians to reinvigorate Jesus' tenacious invitation to listen to and cherish his Word in order to offer the world a witness of hope that allows one to move beyond the difficulties of the present moment. The Word of God is not confined to a book, but remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign. In fact, it challenges every community not only to proclaim the same faith as always, but above all to communicate it with the conviction that it brings hope to those who listen to it and welcome it with a simple heart. *In preparation for this Sunday of the Word of God the children for Confirmation and First Holy Communion this weekend receive another sticker in their Sacramental Passport, as we celebrate the Word of God. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on 6th February.* As families and local faith communities we continue to encourage our parents as they support the children along the journey for the celebrations of these sacraments



THE JUBILEE PRAYER Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

JUBILEE YEAR MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME 22ND-27TH SEPTEMBER 2025 As Pope Francis opens the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica on Christmas Eve consider joining with Bishop Tom Deenihan and fellow pilgrims from across the Diocese in making the Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome. Highlights include Papal Audience, The Basilicas of St. Peter (including the prayer ritual of crossing through the Holy Door), St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major, The Sistine Chapel & Vatican Museum, Day trip to Assisi, The Colosseum & Roman Forum, The Sancta Scala, Catacombs of San Sebastian. Pilgrims will be accommodated at the Pontifical Irish College with easy access to the city centre. Cost €1,399 Bookings and enquiries Mullingar Travel Tel: 044-9340587 Email: connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie See www.iubilaeum2025.va or www.dioceseofmeath.ie for links to information about the Jubilee Year.

