

# SUNDAY NEWSLETTER SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

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MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S CHURCH, DULEEK

Saturday 22nd Nov 7.00pm John & Mary Boyle & dec family; Thomas Gallagher & dec family;

Rhona & Ciaran Healy; Patrick, Noel & John Gough; Dec Clarke & Gough

families; Karl Leddy.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 9.00am John & Emily Maguire & dec family.

> 12.00pm Nicola Dowling - 1<sup>st</sup> Ann; Dec. Anderson family; Pauline & John Clarke;

> > Patrick Dowling; Jim Heaney; Siobhan Erdogan; Tommy, Maimie & Thomasina Finnegan; Martina Traynor; Fergus & Maura McArdle.

Tuesday 25th Nov 9.30am Parish List of the Dead. (followed by Miraculous Medal Novena).

Thursday 27th Nov Parish List of the Dead. 9.30am Friday 28th Nov 9.30am Parish List of the Dead.

Saturday 29th Nov 7.00pm Mary Clarke; Peg Connor; Conor Hickey; Margaret, John & Angela

McCann; Anne Sheridan. Sunday 30th Nov 9.00am Parish List of the Dead.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 12.00pm David Brennan; James Lenehan.

**Confessions:** Saturday 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Eucharistic Benediction:

Tuesday: 6.00pm - 7.00pm; Saturday: 5.00pm - 6.00pm

St. Thérèse's Church, Bellewstown

Sunday 23rd Nov 10.00am John & Brid Lenehan; William & Ellen Sherry; Tom & Bridget Sherry.

Wednesday 26th Nov 9.30am Parish List of the Dead. Sunday 30th Nov 10.00am Parish List of the Dead.

Confessions: Sunday 10.45am - 11.15am; Adoration & Eucharistic Benediction: Wednesday 8.30am - 9.30am



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Plate Collection): € 1,036.95 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 800 Duleek Parish Development: IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



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#### TO ASSIST AT THE MASSES

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD 30<sup>TH</sup> NOV & 7<sup>TH</sup> DEC Prayers of the Faithful available for Ministers of the Word in the Sacristy. Saturday Vigil Sam Power & Geraldine Little Sun. 9am Ann McWeeney & Shane Hartford Sun 12 noon David McGuinness & Majella Armstrong

St. Cianán's Ministers of Holy Communion  $29^{\text{th}}$  &  $30^{\text{th}}$  Nov: Team C

Sat Vigil 7pm Rosemary Reilly; Sam Power; Debbie O'Sullivan Sun. 9am Billy Doyle & William Maguire

Sun 12noon Colm Heeney; Liz Lynch; Mairead Cromwell.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD: SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOV Bridie Brannigan MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOV Rose Forbes & Joe Collins



# THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH **COMMUNITY:** Sophie Kate Sheridan.

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Duleek Christmas Fair** takes place this Sunday 23nd November in Duleek Community Facility from 10am to 4pm. Sensory Santa visits (please pre book) from 11.30am; general Santa visits from 1.30pm.

Duleek Bellewstown GFC are hosting an Afternoon Tea on Saturday 29th November at 3.00pm in the Community Facility. This

is open to all senior members of our community.

Duleek CFR Group cover a 5km radius including Duleek and parts of Bellewstown & Donore also. They are currently looking for new responders to join the existing team. If interested, contact: duleekcfr@gmail.com or 0863630115 / 087 6390495.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087-0931068 Annual Christmas Appeal Church gate collection will take place outside all churches on Saturday 6<sup>h</sup> & Sunday 7th December.

#### ACCORD

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

#### CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See church notice boards and www.dioceseofmeath.ie VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? See www.dioceseofmeath.ie



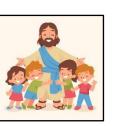
### SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Today is the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This is a feast day that is celebrated every year on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. This solemnity reminds us that Christ reigns as King forever. At the Annunciation, Our Lady was told by the angel that she would conceive a Son whose kingdom would have no end.

At His birth, three Kings came to give homage to the Baby Jesus. At his death, the words, "Jesus Christ, King of the Jews" was written on the Cross. We pray this weekend that Christ may always reign as King in our own hearts in the world around us. We also recall that our Cathedral in Mullingar is named after Christ the King. Parishioners are invited to the 40 Hours of Adoration which take place in the Cathedral this weekend, and to Solemn Vespers at 4.00pm today, with Bishop Tom Deenihan and Bishop Alan McGuckian leading Benediction in honour of Christ the

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

This weekend, we welcome once more the children and families who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation next year. As families and local faith communities, we continue to encourage our parents as they support the children along the journey of preparing for the celebrations of these sacraments in 2026. This weekend, the children will receive another sticker in their Sacramental Passport after the Masses. We pray for them all as the continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God.



# MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

All Ministers are asked to attend the following meetings this week in St Cianán's Church, Duleek:

Wednesday 26th November, 7.00pm: Ministers of the Eucharist Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 7.45pm: Ministers of the Word

If unable to attend please contact the Parish Office 041-9823205. We thank all of our Ministers who give their time in order to enhance the liturgy in our parish. New ministers are always welcome. If

any parishioners are interested in volunteering to take on these ministries, please contact the parish office.

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Next Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, is the first Sunday of Advent and marks a new calendar year in the Catholic liturgical cycle. The four forthcoming Sundays of Advent help us to prepare spiritually for the birth of the Baby Jesus at Christmas. The Advent wreath is used in our churches and schools and helps us to focus with anticipation on the birth of Our Lord. In this coming year, the readings of Cycle A in the liturgical calendar will be read at Sunday Masses.





### **NEW PRIEST FOR OUR DIOCESE**

We give thanks to God as our diocese will soon have a new priest. Rev. Anthony Kerr will be ordained a priest on Saturday 29th November at 2.00pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King by Bishop Tom Deenihan. He will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving in St Mary's Church, Navan on Sunday 30th November at 3.00pm. All are most welcome to attend these ceremonies. We pray for Anthony as he becomes a priest, and we pray for all priests and for vocations to the priesthood.

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Last Wednesday, a meeting was held of our Parish Pastoral Council with Fr Stephen and Fr Brendan. Amongst the themes discussed were: a review of the Mass of Remembrance earlier this month; a review of the Masses for the children preparing to receive the Sacraments; the new Pastoral Areas of our diocese, with Duleek grouped with the parishes of Beauparc, Rathkenny and Slane; resources for ongoing faith formation of our parish



community; and the suggestion box in our church. We thank all of the members of our Parish Pastoral Council for giving their time towards the pastoral, liturgical and spiritual good of our parish community. The members of our Parish Pastoral Council are: Bryan O'Sullivan, Emily Maguire, Paul Ryan, Doreen Walsh and Marina Ludlow.



# SUGGESTION BOX IN OUR CHURCHES

Parishioners are reminded that any suggestions can be written down and inserted in the suggestions boxes in our churches. What ways do you think our parish can be enhanced and enriched? All suggestions are most welcome. There is also a QR code available which can be scanned in order for online suggestions to be made.