



SUNDAY NEWSLETTER *FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

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30TH NOVEMBER 2025

Caroline Doyle
The Parish Office
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Tuesday 10-4pm
Wed & Thurs 9am- 4pm

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CIANÁN'S CHURCH, DULEEK

Saturday 29th Nov 7.00pm

Mary Clarke; Peg Connor; Conor Hickey; Margaret, John & Angela McCann; Anne Sheridan.

Sunday 30th Nov 9.00am
12.00pm

Parish List of the Dead.
David Brennan; James Lenehan.

Tuesday 2nd Dec 9.30am

Parish List of the Dead. (*followed by Miraculous Medal Novena*).

Thursday 4th Dec 9.30am

Laurence, Ita & Oliver McDonnell.

First Friday 5th Dec 9.30am

Parish List of the Dead.

Saturday 6th Dec 7.00pm

Maire Clarke & dec family; James & Catherine Lynch & dec family;
Peter Finnegan; Lockie O'Sullivan; John, Kathleen & Johnny Reilly.
Paddy & Kathleen Joyce & dec family; Thomas, Margaret, Charles &
Rosemary Ryan.

Sunday 7th Dec 9.00am

Mary & Patrick Andrews; Nancy Andrews & dec family; Cepta Cudden;
Edward & Kathleen Geraghty; Baby Darragh McGarry; Paul Wright;
Thomas & Maureen Nee.

Sunday 7th Dec 12.00pm



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 30th Nov 10.00am

Parish List of the Dead.

Wednesday 3rd Dec 9.30am

Missa pro populo

Sunday 7th Dec 10.00am

Tara McGuinness.

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



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Plate Collection): € 1,500.37
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 732.55
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 30TH NOV & 7TH 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 6TH & 7TH DEC: TEAM A
Sat Vigil 7pm Paul Ryan; Denise Duff; Susan Gleeson *Sun. 9am* John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonald
Sun 12noon Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD: SUNDAY 7TH DEC Aoife Harris
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: SUNDAY 7TH DEC Sindy Nelson & Una McGuinness



**THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH
COMMUNITY:** Maddie Reilly Martin Bissett.



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Michael
Herron, Commons, Duleek; Emmett Lynch,
Rathdrinagh, Beauparc.



ST. PAUL'S MISSAL 2026 now available for Ministers of the Word (*readers*) to collect in Duleek &
Bellewstown. Please collect from Jim in Duleek sacristy or Bridie in Bellewstown sacristy.



CELEBRATING ADVENT 2025

Today is the first Sunday of Advent and the first day of the new liturgical calendar year. The word “Advent” comes from the Latin word “adventus”, meaning “coming”. It refers to the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ at His birth on Christmas Day. The four weeks are a time of spiritual preparation and renewal, in anticipation of the birth of the Baby Jesus. Our churches and schools have Advent wreaths to help us reflect on the meaning of Our Saviour's birth.

This weekend, the first purple candle is lit on our Advent wreath in our churches, and the wreath is blessed. The first candle represents “hope”, and reminds us that we are to place our hope in Jesus as we prepare for His Coming. We can also light and Advent Wreath in our own homes, pray the Angelus together, and have an Advent Calendar to count down the days of Advent.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR ADVENT

There is an Advent Online Calendar produced by the Irish bishops. Behind each virtual door of the calendar, there is content aimed at assisting prayer and reflection in preparation for Christmas. It is available at: www.catholicbishops.ie/advent-calendar. The Meath Diocesan Resource Team have also prepared some Advent resources for use for families, which can be found at: www.dioceseofmeath.ie/advent-resources.



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place on Monday 8th December. It is a holy day of obligation, and there will be Masses at 10.00am and 7.00pm. All are welcome to honour and pray to Our Lady on this Marian feast day.

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

This coming Friday is the first Friday of the month, and our Mass that day will be offered for all of those enrolled on the new Parish List of the Dead. On Thursday, our priests will visit the sick who have requested Holy Communion. Anyone sick or housebound who would like the Blessed Sacrament or Confession in the run up to Christmas, please let us know.



PRIMARY AND POST PRIMARY SCHOOL SURVEY

The Department of Education is currently asking parents and guardians of children to complete a survey on their local school. The online survey asks questions pertaining to parental preferences regarding patronage, language and co-ed / single sex education. The survey can be found at www.gov.ie/schoolsurvey and ends on December 16th.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS

Parish Christmas Cards & offering Envelopes are now ready for distribution and all who help as distributors are asked to call to the Parish Office from Tuesday to Thursday this coming week. We are most grateful to the many volunteers who assist with the distribution throughout our parish. Christmas Mass Bouquets are also now on sale in the Parish Office.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Our next Children's Choir will take place in St Cianán's Church, Duleek on Saturday 6th December 2025 at 6.15pm, in preparation for 7.00pm Mass. New members are always welcome.

BELLEWSTOWN CAROL SERVICE

“Carols by Candlelight” will take place in St. Thérèse's Church, Bellewstown on Sunday 21st December at 7.00pm. It will be an evening of sacred music and reflection in preparation for Christmas. Refreshments will be served afterwards in Bellewstown Hall. All are welcome.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement Christmas lunch in The Monasterboice Inn on Wednesday 10th December @ 12.30pm. Please gather at The Parish Centre @ 11.45am to arrange lifts.

Christmas Flower Arranging Workshop Day in Bellewstown Hall on Saturday 13th December 2025 @ 11am. Create 3 Christmas arrangements, cost €100 and includes all materials and lunch. For more information please call Collette 086 8455133 or Bridie 087 9435963.

Cake Sale on Sunday 14th December after mass in Bellewstown Hall, all monies raised will go towards Bellewstown Hall and Church.

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.

