



DULEEK-BELLEWSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

1ST FEBRUARY 2026

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FOURTH SUNDAY YEAR A



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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 31 st January	7.00pm	Thomas Kavanagh 1 st Anniversary; Eucharia Carroll; Charlie Maloney; Christy Wall.
Sunday 1 st February Feast of St Brigid	9.00am	Sr Brigid Woods & dec Woods family.
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Pat Joyce M.M; Patrick & Kathleen Black & dec family; James & Margaret Coyne; Liam Forde; Michael & Margaret Hurley.
	12.00pm	Nicholas Johnson
Monday 2 nd February Feast of the Presentation	9.30am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 3 rd February Feast of St Blaise	9.30am	People of the Parish
Wednesday 4 th February	9.30am (Bellewstown)	People of the Parish
Thursday 5 th February	9.30am	People of the Parish
Friday 6 th February First Friday – Sacred Heart	9.30am	Parish List of the Dead
Saturday 7 th February	7.00pm	Paudie & Mary Coleman; Cathal & Charlie James; William, Evelyn, Margaret & Ivan Pentony; James & Mary Monks; Colin Rock.
Sunday 8 th February	9.00am	Nora, William & Padraig Mills; James & Monica Moss.
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Bill & Maureen Clancy.
	12.00pm	Clair Mullens M.M(nee Clifford); Michael Duignan; Sean Naughton.

ADORATION & EUCHARISTIC BENEDICTION		
	St. Cianan's, Duleek	Bellewstown
Tuesday	6.00pm - 7.00pm	
Wednesday		8.30am - 9.30am
Saturday	5.00pm - 6.00pm	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSON		
	St. Cianan's, Duleek	Bellewstown
Saturday	6.00pm – 7.00pm	
Sunday		10.45am – 11.15am



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Plate Collection): €1,066.31
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 732.20
Duleek Parish Development: IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



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

Saturday Vigil Catriona Dillon & Marina Nolan **Sun. 9am** Brian Darby & Philip Murray **Sun 12noon** Ann Marie Maughan & Ann Finger

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 7TH & 8TH FEB: 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 8TH FEB Mary Howard

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: SUNDAY 8TH FEB Una McGuinness & Sindy Nelson



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY: Mollie May Murphy.



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND:
Richard Culhane, Abbeylands, Duleek.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement AGM on Wednesday 4th February at 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. All members are requested to attend and new members are always welcome.



FEAST OF ST BRIGID

Today is the Feast of St. Brigid, Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland. The St. Brigid's Cross is a symbol of protection and blessing, traditionally woven from rushes or straw. It holds profound spiritual significance in ancient Christian tradition as it symbolises the cross of Jesus Christ. It is an Irish tradition for such crosses to be placed in farm sheds to protect the animals from any harm and to seek God's blessing upon all involved in farming as springtime begins.



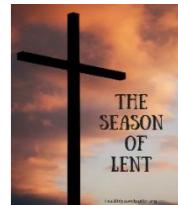
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: 2ND FEBRUARY

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord commemorates Mary and Joseph presenting the infant Jesus in the Jerusalem Temple. Also called Candlemas Day, it is a feast of light, marking Jesus as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." On Monday 2nd February at 9.30am, Holy Mass will be celebrated in St. Cianan's Church for this feast day. Please bring any candles you want blessed to this Mass or you can purchase a blessed candle for €2 at the back of the church after Mass. It is also *The World Day for Consecrated Life* when we pray especially for all of those in religious life and all of those who have taken vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. We pray for all religious institutes and their members: priests, lay brothers, nuns and monks who are consecrated to God. We pray also for all members worldwide of the Institute of the Incarnate Word, the order to which Fr Stephen and Fr Brendan belong.



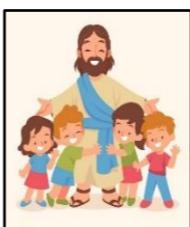
FEAST OF ST BLAISE

The Feast Day of Saint Blaise is celebrated on February 3rd and is marked by the Blessing of the Throats, a tradition where priests use two crossed candles to invoke his protection against throat ailments, stemming from a miracle where he saved a boy choking on a fishbone. St. Blaise, a bishop and martyr, is also the patron saint of wool combers, wild animals, and physicians. All parishioners are invited to Mass on Tuesday morning for the traditional blessing of the throats on this day.



LENT 2026

Lent begins a few weeks from now, with Ash Wednesday taking place on Wednesday 18th February. Lent is a special season in the Church calendar, in which we prepare over 40 days for the Easter Triduum, and Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. If anyone has any ideas of how we might as a parish celebrate this years sacred season, please let us know through the Parish Office.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Next weekend, we welcome once more the children and families who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We will accompany in special way the children who are receiving Confirmation on 11th February. We continue to encourage our parents as they support the children in preparation for the celebrations of these sacraments. The children will receive another sticker in their Sacramental Passport after the Masses.



FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

This Thursday 6th February, the First Friday Communion calls will take place for the sick and housebound members of our parish. If any parishioners wish to receive a visit from our priests, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.



DATE FOR CEMETERY SUNDAY: JUNE 6TH - 7TH 2026

Blessing of the graves will take place this year on Saturday 6th June at 5.00pm in Crossmacole Cemetery. Also on Saturday 6th June, after the Vigil Mass, there will be blessing of the graves in St. Mary's Abbey. On Sunday 7th June at 1.00pm, there will be blessings in Holy Cross & Good Shepherd cemeteries. Please note that no individual Mass intentions will be taken cemetery Sunday weekend as all masses will be offered for those buried in our cemeteries.

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 church notice boards and www.dioceseofmeath.ie
VOCATIONS
Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath?
See www.dioceseofmeath.ie

DAY FOR RELIGIOUS IN OUR DIOCESE

On Sunday, 8th February, the Religious of the Diocese will gather with the Bishop for a Celebration of Sung Vespers at 4.00pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar. This is a way of acknowledging the contribution of Religious to our Diocese. All parishioners are welcome to this celebration.

