



DULEEK-BELLEWSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

25TH JANUARY 2026

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THIRD SUNDAY YEAR A



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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 24 th January	7.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 25 th January	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Adrian Ludlow M.M; Hughie & Gerry Bellew.
	12.00pm	Tony Andrews
Tuesday 27 th January	9.30am	People of the Parish
Wednesday 28 th January	9.30am (Bellewstown)	People of the Parish
Thursday 29 th January	9.30am	People of the Parish
Friday 30 th January	9.30am	People of the Parish
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	People of the Parish
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Pat Joyce M.M; Patrick & Kathleen Black & dec family; James & Margaret Coyne; Liam Forde.
	12.00pm	Nicholas Johnson.

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): € 864.41
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 750.45
Duleek Parish Development: IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



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ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD 25TH JAN & 1ST FEB

Saturday Vigil Sam Power & Geraldine Little **Sun. 9am** Noel Heeney & Alice White **Sun 12noon** Lily Murray & John Heeney

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 31ST JAN & 1ST FEB: TEAM C

Sat Vigil 7pm Debbie O'Sullivan; Rosemary Reilly; Sam Power **Sun. 9am** Billy Doyle & William Maguire
Sun 12noon Colm Heeney; Liz Lynch; Mairead Cromwell.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD: SUNDAY 1ST FEB Brian Quinn

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: SUNDAY 1ST FEB Rose Forbes & Joe Collins



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH
COMMUNITY: Kasey Ena O'Leary Carroll; Chloe Brídín Dowling.



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND; Kevin Greene, Drogheda formerly of Bellewstown.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Duleek Cystic Fibrosis 10K Remembrance Run 26/04/2026 @ 2:00pm. Please save the date for the annual Cystic Fibrosis 10K Remembrance Run/Walk. The event is to celebrate and remember our loved ones lost to CF.



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Today is Sunday of the Word of God, a special day instituted by Pope Francis. It reminds us that Sacred Scripture is essential for the Christian life. "Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the Word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world," the late Pope wrote in his 2019 apostolic letter "Aperuit Illis." We are reminded in a special way today to have a copy of the Bible in our homes, and to open it and read it regularly.

The Bible contains 73 books: 46 books in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. The central part of the Bible is the Four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Why not make a resolution to read one paragraph of the Gospels each day? It takes two minutes of our time, and allows God to nourish us with His Word, as well as helping us to know about the life of Christ. If we find that we do not know how to pray, the Gospels are a wonderful place to start. Prayerful meditation on Jesus' life allows Him to transform our hearts, so that we can love others as He loves us. "Christ Jesus is knocking at our door in the words of Sacred Scripture. If we hear his voice and open the doors of our minds and hearts then he will enter our lives and remain ever with us." - Pope Francis.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

The parish is grateful to all who give service as a Reader of the Word of God. Duleek Parish has many parishioners involved as Ministers of the Word. Would you be willing to become a reader in our parish? If you could help us deliver this important lay ministry, the Parish Office would be delighted to hear from you.



FEAST OF ST BRIGID

Next Sunday 1st February, is the Feast of St. Brigid, Abbess and Secondary Patron of Ireland. Parishioners are warmly invited to make St. Brigid's crosses and to drop them into the church or parish office this week, for blessing and distribution during the Masses on St. Brigid's Day. 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.



DATES FOR SACRAMENTS 2026

Confirmation: Bishop Tom Deenihan will give the Sacrament of Confirmation in two ceremonies on **Wednesday 11th February 2026.**

10.00am: Duleek Boys NS, Bellewstown NS, Cushinstown NS.

12.00pm: Duleek Girls NS, Mount Hanover NS.

First Confession: Children from our parish will receive First Confession on **Saturday 14th March 2026.**

10.00am: Bellewstown NS (St Therese's Church); 11.00am: Duleek Boys NS (St. Cianan's Church)

12.00pm: Duleek Girls NS (St. Cianan's Church)

2.00pm: Mount Hanover NS & Cushinstown NS (St. Cianan's Church)

First Holy Communion: First Holy Communion celebrations take place on the following dates:

Saturday 16th May: 10.00am: Duleek Boys NS; 12.00pm: Mount Hanover NS & Cushinstown NS

Saturday 23rd May: 10.00am: Bellewstown NS (St Therese's Church);

12.00pm: Duleek Girls NS (St. Cianan's Church)

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

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VOCATIONS

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