



DULEEK-BELLEWSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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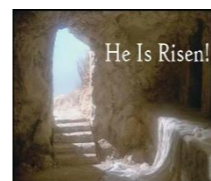
Duleek is part of the Meath Diocesan Pastoral Area of
Beauparc, Slane & Rathkenny

5TH APRIL 2026

EASTER SUNDAY - YEAR A

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Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday: 10.00am - 4.00pm
Wed & Thurs: 9.00am - 4.00pm



Rejoice for Jesus is Risen from the Dead! Alleluia!

Today we celebrate Jesus Christ's Resurrection from the dead, and the new life that He gives to each one of us. The season of Easter begins today and lasts for 50 days. The Paschal Candle is prominent, the priest's vestments are white and Alleluia is sung again. You are invited today, the greatest of all days, to rejoice in Jesus and to celebrate His Resurrection.

Happy Easter to All Our Parishioners!

Thank you to everyone for joining with us in commemorating the sacred days of Holy Week. To Jim, Rose, Liz, Bridie and Tommy and all who have helped them in St. Cianán's and St. Therese's; to all involved in cleaning, decorating and flower arranging the churches; to the choirs, and all involved with providing the beautiful music and singing; to the Ministers of the Holy Communion and the Ministers of the Word for their dedicated help; to the basket collectors and the team of counters; to all who attend to the grounds around our churches and cemeteries; to Caroline in the Parish Office and to the Parish Finance Committee and Parish Pastoral Assembly; to those involved in our parish schools and all those who help to keep our parish vibrant and strong. Your help and cooperation are much valued and appreciated by parishioners and priests alike. We hope that the journey through Lent and Holy Week, to Easter itself, will bring many blessings upon you and your families, and that it has brought you closer to Christ and to each other.



Beannachtaí na Cásca d'ibh go leir!

New Paschal Candle

Take a look at our new Paschal Candle. It is the most important candle in the church and parish. The Paschal Candle represents Christ who is the Light of the World. Five grains of incense were inserted into the candle at the Easter Vigil in the form of a Cross. These represent the five wounds that Christ suffered in his hands, feet and side during the Crucifixion. The first letter and the last letter of the Greek alphabet, Alpha and Omega, which mean "the beginning and the end", as well as the current year, are inscribed on the Candle alongside an image of a cross. This candle is lit every day during Mass throughout the Easter season and is used throughout the year for special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.



Holy Water

Holy Water was blessed during the Easter Vigil and is left in the baptismal fonts of our churches throughout the Easter season. New holy water is available for people to take home from the silver container at the sacristy door, behind the baptismal font in St. Cianán's. Holy Water is a sacramental that disposes us to receive the sacraments well. You are very welcome to take some home, and to use the holy water to bless yourself every day as you come in and out of your homes.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4th April	9.00pm	EASTER VIGIL MASS
Sunday 5th April Easter Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish.
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Pat Brannigan M.M
	12.00pm	Etty Battersby; Thomas, Kathleen & Eamon Byrne; Barbara Heavey; Robert Maguire; Thomas & Maureen Nee; Francis Flynn 1 st Ann
Tuesday 7th April	9.30am	People of the Parish.
Wednesday 8th April	9.30am (Bellewstown)	People of the Parish.
Thursday 9th April	9.30am	People of the Parish.
Friday 10th April	9.30pm	People of the Parish.
Saturday 11th April	7.00pm	Alice Murphy 1 st Ann; Christy Gibney & dec. Gibney & Matthew families; Peter, Frank & Christina McGrane; Anne Rafferty; Patrick, Mary, Caroline, Carmel & Charlotte McGuinness; Patricia Russell
	9.00am	Julia & Eugene McHugh.
Sunday 12th April	10.00am (Bellewstown)	People of the Parish.
	12.00pm	Dan Dillon; Geraldine McAvinney; Micheál McDonnell; Mary & Michael Mulchrone; Paddy & Tut Murray; Joe & Eileen Moss.

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 CONFESSION		
	St. Cianan's, Duleek	Bellewstown
Saturday	6.00pm - 7.00pm	
Sunday		10.45am - 11.15am

	SUNDAY MASS PLATE COLLECTION:	€ 903.85
	SHRINES:	€ 126.15
	PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes):	€ 751.75
	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 5TH & 12TH APRIL

Saturday Vigil Catriona Dillon & Sam Power **Sun. 9am** Una Doyle & Annette Murray **Sun 12 noon** Geraldine Potter Redmond.

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 11TH & 12TH APRIL TEAM A

Sat Vigil 7pm Paul Ryan; Denise Duff; Susan Gleeson **Sun. 9am** John McWeeney; Richard Bowden; Keith McDonnell.

Sun 12noon Joe Martin; Bryan O'Sullivan; Stephen McKee.

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD SUNDAY 12TH APRIL Joe Collins

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY 12TH APRIL Sindy Nelson & Una McGuinness



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND:
Phyllis Noonan, Duleek.

TROCAIRE BOXES: These can be returned to the sacristy or the parish office any day this week. Many thanks for your kind support towards those who are most in need in our world.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Cystic Fibrosis 10K Remembrance Run/Walk on 26/04/2026 @ 2:00pm. Your support is very much appreciated.
Duleek Bellewstown Active Retirement meeting on Wednesday 8th April @ 2pm in The Parish Centre. New members always welcome. Bowls every Tuesday in the Parish Centre @ 2pm.

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

Divine Mercy Sunday

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. The first Sunday after Easter was given this name by St. Pope John Paul II, as a result of the revelations of Divine Mercy given by Our Lord to St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who wrote the Diary of Divine Mercy in the 1930's. Parishioners are invited to venerate the Image of Divine Mercy and to pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy. Confessions will also be available throughout the afternoon, from 2.00pm onwards.

2.00pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions.

2.30pm: Holy Rosary

3.00pm: Divine Mercy chaplet and veneration of the Divine Mercy image.

4.00pm: Eucharistic Benediction



Pope Leo XIV First Easter Message

Pope Leo's first Easter Sunday Message and 'Urbi Et Orbi' Blessing will be broadcast from the balcony of St. Peter's this Easter morning on RTE and EWTN. As we remember how Pope Francis died this time last year, we pray for his successor as he leads our Church.

Parish Office Easter hours:

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed Tuesday 7th April and will reopen on Wednesday 8th April at 9.00am.



