



DULEEK-BELLEWSTOWN PARISH NEWSLETTER

10TH MAY 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 9th May	7.00pm	Deirdre Geraghty 1 st Ann; Glennon Geraghty; Desmond Dorey & dec. family; Paul Heasley; Sean, Ita & Catherine Ludlow.
Sunday 10th May Sixth Sunday of Easter	9.00am	Joseph Purfield
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Tommy Arnold; James & Bridie Flynn.
	12.00pm	Declan, Patsy, Peter & Sean Flaherty; Patrick, Paddy & Alice O'Brien; Vera & Joe Powderly; Oliver McQuaile & dec. family.
Tuesday 12th May	9.30am	People of the Parish.
Wednesday 13th May Our Lady of Fatima	9.30am (Bellewstown)	People of the Parish.
Thursday 14th May Feast of St Matthias	9.30am	People of the Parish.
Friday 15th May	9.30am	People of the Parish.
Saturday 16th May	10.00am	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: DULEEK BOYS N.S.
	12.00pm	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: MOUNT HANOVER N.S. & CUSHINSTOWN N.S.
	7.00pm	Tommy Russell, Pat Molloy, Paddy & Anne O'Brien, Alice Murphy, Nancy Bradley, Kathleen Smith; Colin Rock; Danny Gallagher – month's mind.
Sunday 17th May The Ascension of the Lord	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.00am (Bellewstown)	Jack Collier; Kieran Cromwell – 8 th anniversary.
	12.00pm	Alicia & Patrick Carolan & dec. family; John Kavanagh – month's mind; Conor Dale O'Brien; James, Anna & Margaret Bennett.

ADORATION & EUCHARISTIC BENEDECTION

	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: € 799.07

SHRINES (Duleek): € 140.93

Duleek Parish Development: IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



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TO ASSIST AT THE MASSES

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD 17TH & 24TH MAY

Saturday Vigil Sam Power & Geraldine Little *Sun. 9am* Noel Heeney & Alice White *Sun 12 noon* David McGuinness & Majella Armstrong

ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 9TH & 10TH MAY TEAM B

Sat Vigil 7pm Ann Marie Dardis; Marina Nolan; Frank Ryan *Sun. 9am* Monina McAlister; Ann McDonnell; Gillian Duffy.

Sun 12noon Henry Clifford; Una McGuinness; Olga Hunt

ST. THÉRÈSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD SUNDAY 10TH MAY Aoife Harris

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY 10TH MAY Una McGuinness & Sindy Nelson.

All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

BELLEWSTOWN SCHOOL 200TH ANNIVERSARY

There will be a meeting will be held in Bellewstown school on **Wednesday 13th May at 7.30pm** to discuss organising a celebration of 200 years of education in Bellewstown. All members of the community and past pupils of the school are invited to attend. For further information please email: secretary@bellewstownns.com.



CHILDREN'S MASSES & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome this weekend all of the children who are receiving the Sacraments this year. We pray in a special way for all of the boys and girls who are due to receive their First Holy Communion, which will take place over the next two weekends. Some of the boys and girls visited St. Cianan's last Tuesday with their teachers and practiced for the ceremony. They have been learning how to receive Holy Communion, which they can do either on the tongue or in their hand. They have also been learning the different responses for the Mass. We pray for them all as they get ready for the big day, and many thanks once again to all of the parents and grandparents who offered support and guidance to the children in their faith over the past year, especially by accompanying them to the Sunday Mass.



At the end of the Masses this weekend, children are once again invited to receive a sticker in their Sacramental Passport. This month's sticker is of Our Lady, as this month of May is dedicated to Mary.

Saturday 16th May	10.00am	Duleek Boys N.S.
	12.00pm	Mount Hanover N.S. & Cushinstown N.S.
Sunday 23rd May	10.00am	Bellewstown N.S.
	12.00pm	Duleek Girls N.S.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Last Wednesday, our Parish Pastoral Council met for the last meeting before the summer. A review of the Lenten activities took place, together with plans for Faith Development in our parish. The Sycamore and YouCat programs, which are offered across our diocese, will be examined in the coming months, with a view to seeking to

introduce them to our parish. The Parish Pastoral Council thanks all of those who offered suggestions to the suggestion boxes in our churches. One topic which was explored was that of music at our weekend Masses. The children's choir are continuing to offer beautiful singing at the Saturday evening Mass. New singers for the other weekend Masses are very welcome to sing, even if just once a month at one of the Sunday Masses. It would be wonderful if a new choir could be formed of even just two or three persons, in particular at our 9.00am and 12.00pm Masses. If you feel you could offer this valuable contribution to our parish, please contact the parish office. For this weekend, new laminated hymn sheets are available at the ends of the benches – please do sing along if you know the hymns!

WORKS IN HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

This past week, renovation work to pathways began in Holy Cross Cemetery. Over the next few weeks, existing pathways which were a safety hazard will be upgraded, while some of the grassy pathways will be replaced by new concrete pathways. The goal will be to work over the next few years so that all of the pathways in the cemetery will be of a high quality standard, so that families can easily access and safely visit the graves of their loved ones. Fr Stephen would like to thank in a particular way all of those who worked hard to get the present renovations done, including the members of the finance committee and others who offered valuable advice and support.



HOLY CROSS CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Cemetery Sunday is only a few weeks away now, and parishioners are once again invited to come to pray for their loved ones as each of the graves will be blessed. We would be grateful if those attending to family graves take home any materials that are being removed.

Parts of our cemeteries need to be constantly cleaned, as weeds grow and others areas suffer neglect. For this reason, a team of volunteers are actively working to tidy up Holy Cross Cemetery over the coming weeks, and are inviting new volunteers to join. They will gather in Holy Cross Cemetery on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.00pm for all of the weeks leading up to Cemetery Sunday, and give special attention to those graves that have no one to look after them. Why not give something back to our parish community by joining them? Everyone's efforts to keep the cemetery neat and a befitting sacred burial ground for the faithful departed are greatly appreciated.

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES: Saturday 6th June 5.00pm: Crossmacole Cemetery

8.00pm: St. Mary's Abbey

Sunday 7th June

1.00pm: Holy Cross & Good Shepherd Cemeteries



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Sunday 9th August. It is a beautiful day to spend in Knock during the height of the summer. Our parish office is now making a list of those interested, so as to be able to provide transport on the day. If interested please contact Caroline in Duleek Parish Office on 041-9823205) or email duleekparish@gmail.com.