**NEWSLETTER** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022



**DONORE PARISH** WITH DULEEK PARISH PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY Fr. Mark English Adm. Fr. Anthony Ayoola Parochial House Donore, Co. Meath Tel: 041-9823137 Duleek Parish Office 041-9823205 Email: donorerossnareeparish@gmail.com

The Parish Office Parochial House Monday and Thursday 1.30pm – 3pm

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

## CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

**Sunday 11am** Dermot Matthews; Joe McWeeney; Paddy Sheerin; Mercedes, Hayden & Arthur Stanley.

Tuesday	9.15am
Thursday	9.15am
Friday	9.15am

Sunday 11am Kitty Myles; Liam & Maria O'Brien.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE Saturday 6.30pm Kathleen, Tom & Sr Patricia Everard

Saturday 6.30pm Missa pro populo

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 9am & 12noon

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 10am

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10.00am Wednesday 9am

Please note that during the week if there is a funeral, there will be no morning Mass that day. Instead Morning Prayer of the Church plus Rosary can be said by those who gather (sheets available from the sacristy). The intention will be included at the funeral Mass.



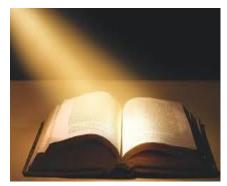
MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): €215 €530



**THE ADORATION APOSTOLATE** in this area invites everyone who has the time to commit to an hour or even a half hour every Tuesday to praying before the Blessed Sacrament. Amid all that is going on, consider giving this sacred time to the Lord, praying in thanksgiving for all we have received and seeking blessings for those in our community who need healing or graces to cope with life at this time. *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday in St. Cianán's, Duleek from 10am-12noon and 6-7pm.* 

St. Mary's G.F.C. Lotto 11, 16, 23, 26 No Jackpot winner Consolation prize €25 Saska Lynch & Linda Dunne Last week of Christmas draw €25 Leo Morgan Next week's jackpot €5,050 **PARISH ENVELOPES** The new Parish Envelope Boxes are currently being prepared by the parish office for distribution. If you currently are not a recipient of a parish box and would like to register for one please contact the parish office this week. Next weekend we celebrate Sunday of the Word of God. Bring your Bible to Mass as we honour the Word of God.

**THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**, instituted by Pope Francis in 2019 and to be held every year on the third Sunday of Ordinary Time, reminds us, pastors and faithful alike, of the importance and value of Sacred Scripture for the Christian life, as well as the relationship between the word of God and the liturgy: "As Christians, we are one people, making our pilgrim way through history, sustained by the Lord, present in our midst, who speaks to us and nourishes us. A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the Risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers. For this reason, we



need to develop a closer relationship with Sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, inflicted as we are by so many forms of blindness". *Aperuit illis – He opened their minds –* Pope Francis's Apostolic Letter instituting Sunday of the Word of God 2019

Dear brothers and sisters, let us not ignore God's word. It is a love letter, written to us by the One who knows us best. In reading it, we again hear his voice, see his face and receive his Spirit. That word brings us close to God. Let us not keep it at arm's length, but carry it with us always, in our pocket, on our phone. Let us give it a worthy place in our homes. Let us set the Gospel in a place where we can remember to open it daily, perhaps at the beginning and at the end of the day, so that amid all those words that ring in our ears, there may also be a few verses of the word of God that can touch our hearts. To be able to do this, let us ask the Lord for the strength to turn off the television and open the Bible, to turn off our cell phone and open the Gospel – Homily St. Peter's Basilica January 2021

**VESTMENTS FOR MASS** Special word of thanks to those who donated towards the purchase of new vestments. If anyone would ever like to make a donation for the purchase of new vestments, linen cloths, etc. it is always appreciated.

**DONATION OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS** Many thanks for the presents left at the Crib in the churches. These will be shared with refugees recently arrived in our country. It's a small token of our solidarity with those in our world who have sought refuge in our country. We keep them in our prayers and hope they find peace and prosperity as they settle and experience Ireland as a home from home.



We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

