



# NEWSLETTER SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

**DONORE PARISH** WITH DULEEK PARISH  
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*The Parish Office  
Parochial House  
Monday and Thursday  
1.30pm – 3pm*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

**Sunday 11am Blessing of Hands**

**Tuesday 9.15am**

**Thursday 9.15am**

**Thursday 10am Confirmation Ceremony, Donore & Knockcommon Schools in St Cianan's Church, Duleek**

**Friday 9.15am**

**Sunday 11am** Missa pro populo

### CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

**Saturday 6.30pm** Missa pro populo

**Saturday 6.30pm** Peter & Mary Harding; Jack Waters.

### ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

**Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 9am & 12noon Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 10am**

### ST. THÉRÈSE'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 in the funeral Mass*



**MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION** (Basket collection): € 286

**PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND** (weekly envelopes): € 624

**Many thanks for your generous contribution to the Candlemas Offering last weekend.**

Donore Parish Development Fund Account Number: IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



**INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND;** Ryan Whelan Griffin, Duleek.

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Lotto: 1, 3, 5, 26** No jackpot winner  
Consolation prizes €25.00 Debbie Neill & Erin Lawlor  
Next week's jackpot €5,100 Reserve Jackpot €1,150

**The Community Grant Scheme for 2022** are now open for applications. For details and application form visit website: <https://www.meath.ie/council/council-services/community/community-grants-and-initiatives>

**Chime**, The National Charity for Deafness & Hearing Loss operates a monthly Outreach Service in Drogheda Community Services Trust, Scarlet Street, Drogheda. For information & advice contact 042 9332010/087 711 8717 Email: [dundalk@chime.ie](mailto:dundalk@chime.ie)

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
087-0931068

#### ACCORD

For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling  
[www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

#### CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie)

#### VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark or [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie)



**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** This week in our parishes of Donore and Duleek we have the privilege of welcoming Bishop Tom and celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Perhaps as a consequence of the pandemic, we have had time to appreciate even more the gift of the Sacraments in our lives. Such occasions are sacred events in the family and our whole faith community: Sacred encounters with God and the great communion of the saints, in which we the baptised are part off here on earth as we journey towards the promise of Heaven. We so easily take things for granted but now in light of what we have experienced during this anxious period of the Covid pandemic, let us celebrate with renewed zeal the grace of the Holy Spirit to inspire and direct our lives, to protect and bless our families, especially those celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. As we pray for all

the Confirmation candidates let us ponder the words of Pope Francis with regard the Sacrament of Confirmation. *“When we welcome the Holy Spirit into our hearts and allow him to act, Christ makes himself present in us and takes shape in our lives; through us, it will be he – Christ himself – who prays, forgives, gives hope and consolation, serves the brethren, draws close the needy and to the least, creates community and sows peace. Think how important this is: by means of the Holy Spirit, Christ himself comes to do all this among us and for us. That is why it is important that children and young people receive the Sacrament of Confirmation”.*



**“Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Lk 6:36).  
Standing beside those who suffer on a path of charity.**

*Theme for World Day of the Sick 2022*

**BLESSING OF HANDS** To mark the World Day of the Sick we welcome all carers, nurses, doctors and others who assist those in our community who are sick this weekend as we celebrate the blessing of hands. The pandemic experience has made us all the more aware of the invaluable work so many do for our community as people who work in the provision of health care. We are also so grateful for the tireless love and care family members offer to their loved ones at home. *“Dear healthcare workers, your service alongside the sick, carried out with love and competence, transcends the bounds of your profession and becomes a mission. Your hands, which touch the suffering flesh of Christ, can be a sign of the merciful hands of the Father. Be mindful of the great dignity of your profession, as well as the responsibility that it entails”.* Message of Pope Francis for the World Day of the Sick 2022 [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) for full text. On 25<sup>th</sup> June we will celebrate Mass for the Sick when it is a warmer time of the year to gather and hopefully no Covid to worry about!

**THE GIFT OF LOVE** Appreciating the commitment couples make in the Sacred Marriage vows we especially offer our love and support to the Newly Weds of 2021 whom we have invited to join with us at Mass this weekend, when as a faith community we mark St. Valentine's and express our solidarity with those most recently married and all couples, especially those celebrating significant Jubilees of Marriage this year. *“May Saint Joseph inspire in all families a creative courage, so essential for these times of epochal change. May Our Lady help you to foster in your married lives the culture of encounter that we so urgently need in order to face today’s problems and troubles. No amount of difficulty can take away the joy of those who know that they are walking with the Lord ever at their side. Live out your vocation with enthusiasm. Never allow your faces to grow sad or gloomy; your husband or wife needs your smile. Your children need your looks of encouragement. Your priests and other families need your presence and your joy: the joy that comes from the Lord!”* Letter of Pope Francis to all Married Couples for the ‘Amoris Laetitia’ Family Year 2021-2022 see [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) for full text.



**THE SYNODAL PATHWAY IN THE DIOCESE OF MEATH** All the baptised in the Diocese of Meath are invited to participate in the synodal process during Lent 2022 To learn more about synodality see [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va) or [www.dioceseofmeath.ie](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie) It would be useful to read these recent pastoral documents as we prepare to engage in the synodal process. **Evangelii Gaudium – The Joy of the Gospel** (given by Pope Francis soon after his election in 2013) **Amoris Laetitia – The Joy of Love** (following the Synods on the Family 2014/15) **Christus Vivit – Christ is Alive** (following the Synod on pastoral care of young people) [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

*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*

