



NEWSLETTER FOURTEENTH SUNDAY YEAR C

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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X WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES ROME 22-26TH JUNE 2022

Dear families, you too have been asked not to have other priorities, not to “look back”, to miss your former life, your former freedom, with its deceptive illusions. Life becomes “fossilized” when it is not open to the newness of God’s call and pines for the past. Missing the past and not being open to the newness that God sends always “fossilizes” us; it hardens us and does not make us more human. When Jesus calls, also in the case of marriage and family life, he asks us to keep looking ahead, and he always precedes us on the way. *He always precedes us* in love and service. And those who follow him will not be disappointed! Dear brothers and sisters, providentially, the readings of today’s liturgy

speak of vocation, which is the theme of this Tenth World Meeting of Families: “*Family Love: a Vocation and a Path to Holiness*”. Strengthened by those words of life, I encourage you to take up with renewed conviction the journey of family love, sharing with all the members of your families the joy of this calling. It is not an easy journey: there will be dark moments, moments of difficulty in which we will think that it is all over. May the love you share with one another be always open, directed outwards, capable of “touching” the weak and wounded, the frail in body and the frail in spirit, and all whom you meet along the way. For love, including family love, is purified and strengthened whenever it is shared with others. **Betting on family love is courageous: it takes courage to marry. We see many young people who do not have the courage to marry and many times mothers say to me: “Do something, speak to my son, he will not marry, he is thirty-seven years old!” – “But, madam, stop ironing his shirts, start to send him away little by little so that he will leave the nest”. Family love pushes the children to fly; it teaches them to fly and pushes them to do so. It is not possessive: it is always about freedom. In the moments of difficulty and crisis – every family has them – please do not take the easy way: “I am going home to mommy”. No, move forward with this courageous bet.** There will be difficult moments, there will be tough moments, but always move forward. Your husband, your wife, has that spark of love that you felt in the beginning: release it from within and rediscover love. This will help in moments of crisis. The Church is *with* you; indeed, the Church is *in* you! For the Church was born of a family, the Holy Family of Nazareth, and is made up mostly of families. May the Lord help you each day to persevere in unity, peace, joy, and in moments of difficulty, that faithful perseverance, which makes us live better and shows everyone that God is love and communion of life.

Pope Francis at the Mass for the World Meeting of Families held in St. Peter’s Square, Saturday 26th June. – see www.vatican.va for full text.

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Olive, Margaret & Michael Black; Nancy & William Collier.

Tuesday 9:15am

Thursday 9:15am

Friday 9:15am Ann Moran 1st Ann.

Saturday 4pm *Blessing of the Graves in Donore Old Cemetery.*

Sunday 11am *Mass with Blessings of the Graves in Donore Cemetery*

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Sunday 6:30pm Peter, Margaret, John & Ann McDermott; Paddy Shiels.

Saturday 5pm *Blessing of the Graves in Leck Cemetery*

6:30pm *Mass with Blessings of the Graves in Knockcommon Cemetery*



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): € 365

PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (weekly envelopes): € 495

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 7, 21, 22, 26 No jackpot winner

Consolation €50 Peter, Conor and Paul Lenehan

Next week’s jackpot €5,510 Reserve Jackpot €1,740

St Vincent de Paul church gate collection takes place in both Duleek and Donore parishes this weekend.

Duleek Cardiac First Response Group are holding a CPR community training this Sun 3rd July at Duleek Bellewstown & District Community Facility. You can learn & practice how to perform hands only CPR and see a demonstration of a defibrillator (AED) in use. Sessions will take place at 10am, 11am, 12noon, 2pm, 3pm & 4pm. Book your place on Eventbrite using the link <https://tinyurl.com/28djtj2w>

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CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website www.dioceseofmeath.ie

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark or www.dioceseofmeath.ie

CEMETERY SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND JULY

9TH/10TH 2022 Blessing of the graves will take place on Saturday 9th July at 4pm in Donore Old Cemetery, at 5pm in Leck Cemetery and 6:30pm with Mass in Knockcommon Cemetery. On Sunday 10th at 11am with Mass in Donore Cemetery.



PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION for the support of Pope Francis’ pastoral activity in Rome and throughout the Universal Church will be taken up at Masses this weekend. This collection especially enables the Pope’s outreach to the poor and most neglected in our world. Please check out www.peterspence.va to understand more about this long held annual collection.



MASS FOR THE SICK It was a special occasion for us all who gathered last Saturday to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick and implore God’s healing grace upon all who are carrying the burden of illness. Our most sincere gratitude to everyone who assisted, especially the Duleek Women’s Group. Don’t hesitate to contact the Parish Office if you wish to let Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony know that you or a family member is sick in hospital or at home. All the sick in our parishes will be remembered in the prayers. When parishioners are not able to attend Mass due to old age or ill health the priests can call with Holy Communion on the First Fridays of every month. A Minister of Holy Communion may also bring Holy Communion to the house after the weekend Mass.



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS The Annual St. Oliver Plunkett Procession takes place this Sunday 3rd July at 3pm beginning at Holy Family Church, Ballsgrove and then proceeding to St Peter’s Church where Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Router.

CROAGH PATRICK Interested in participating in a pilgrimage to the holy Reek from Duleek & Donore Parishes please keep Sat 20th August free. Even if you may not be able to do much climbing you are welcome to come along and join with us. More next week.

NIGERIA In Edo state, Fr. Christopher Odia (*a seminary classmate of Fr. Anthony’s*) was kidnapped from his rectory at St. Michael Catholic Church, Ikabigbo, Uzairue, around 6:30 am June 26. He was killed by his abductors, the Diocese of Auchu has announced. Fr. Odia was 41, and the administrator of St. Michael’s and principal of St. Philip Catholic Secondary School in Jattu. The Sun, a Nigerian daily, reported that a Mass server and a local vigilante who followed the abductors were shot and killed during Fr. Odia’s kidnapping. More Christians are killed for their faith in Nigeria than in any other country worldwide — at least 4,650 in 2021, and nearly 900 in the first three months of 2022 alone. According to the UK-based human rights foundation Christian Solidarity Worldwide, Kaduna state has become “an epicenter of kidnapping and violence by non-state actors, despite being the most garrisoned state in Nigeria.” Earlier this month gunmen attacked a Catholic church and a Baptist church in Kaduna state, killing three people and reportedly kidnapping more than 30 worshippers, and more than 40 Christians were killed in an attack on a Catholic church in Ondo state on June 5.

