

## NEWSLETTER FIFTEENTH SUNDAY YEAR C

**DONORE PARISH** WITH DULEEK PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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Tuesday - Thursday 10am - 5pm

10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022

Caroline Doyle

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The Parish Office

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday **11am** For all buried in our parish cemeteries

Tuesday **Thursday** 9:15am Friday 9:15am

11am Liam & Leontia Everard. Sunday

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday **6:30pm** For all buried in our parish cemeteries

Saturday **6:30pm** Patrick & Jane Gogan; Babs Marry.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): €367 Thanks for your generosity for Peter's Pence €157 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): €290

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



IN BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY: Harry Tommy Waters; Banbha Mary Hill.

INVITATION TO YOUNG ADULTS (18 - 40) RETREAT, Saturday 23rd July starting at 10 am with Mass in St Mary's Church Navan and then to Parish Room at rear of Church. A prayerful informative day, with testimonies from people in various Christian vocations: Married life, Priesthood, Single life, Religious life, talk on discernment, Adoration, confession, personal help if desired, walk and chat. Cost DONATION (lunch & tea breaks) Finishes at 5pm Contact Sr. Úna 090 6481666**E**:youthretreats@gmail.com or John 087 2478519 Please spread the word!

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Lotto: 8, 11, 21, 23 No jackpot winner

2 match winners €25 Pauline Lawless and Ryan

Next week's jackpot €5,530 Reserve Jackpot €1,770 The winner of the June 50/50 draw Ian Howard €515. This draw takes place on the last Monday of each month.

The Royal Meath Accordian Orchestra are holding a concert for Alzheimer's society in St Peter's protestant church on Friday 15th July. Lots of great singers and musicians on the night.

Tickets available from Noel Heeney 0861045125

## WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022

This is the second year of the newest celebration in the liturgical calendar for us Catholics. Think of how your family might mark this special occasion! As grandparents and grandchildren enjoy their summer holidays, savouring the precious gift of life and love shared together, let us come before God giving thanks with a small gesture of faith, hope and love. Every Friday for the summer we invite grandparents to bring their grandchildren to the morning 9:15am Mass in our parish. There is plenty of space in church so don't let covid issues discourage! Over the coming Fridays Fr. Mark and Fr. Anthony will focus upon this sacred bond between the generations.



**CEMETERY SUNDAY 2022** A special welcome to all families who have come home for this time of remembering our beloved dead. It is all the more special as its three years since we have been so able to gather. In particular we think of those whom we buried during the pandemic. Let us not forget those who no longer have family to stand and pray at their graves. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace, Amen.

Thanks to so many volunteers for having all the cemetery grounds looking so dignified and also thanks to you who attend so attentively to your family graves. A collection will be taken at the main cemetery gates for the upkeep of the grounds. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025 Every twenty-five years the Church celebrates a Holy Year or Jubilee Year. The last one in



2000 was the Great Jubilee Year of the Millenium. You may recall the three year count down with the focus on the God the Son in '97; God the Holy Spirit in '98; and God the Father in '99, followed by Pope St. John Paul II opening the Holy Door inaugurating the Great Jubilee on Christmas Eve 2000. Pope Francis marked a special Holy Year of Mercy in 2016, seeking us Catholics to be as Merciful as our Heavenly Father is merciful! Now Pope Francis has chosen the theme *Pilgrims of Hope* for the next Jubilee Year 2025.

In the last two years, not a single country has been unaffected by the sudden outbreak of an epidemic that made us experience first-hand not only the tragedy of dying alone, but also the uncertainty and fleetingness of existence, and in doing so, has changed our very way of life. Together with all our brothers and sisters, we Christians endured those hardships and limitations. Our churches remained closed, as did our schools, factories, offices, shops, and venues for recreation. All of us saw certain freedoms curtailed, while the pandemic generated feelings not only of grief, but also, at times, of doubt, fear and disorientation. The scientific community quickly developed an initial remedy that is gradually permitting us to resume our daily lives. We are fully confident that the epidemic will be overcome and that the world will return to its usual pattern of personal relationships and social life. This will happen more readily to the extent that we can demonstrate effective solidarity, so that our neighbours most in need will not be neglected, and that everyone can have access to scientific breakthroughs and the necessary medicines. We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and farsighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope.

On the 28th June the logo was published. The Logo shows four stylized figures to indicate all of humanity from the four corners of the earth. They are each embracing another, indicating the solidarity and brotherhood that must unite peoples. It should be noted that the first figure is clinging to the cross. The underlying waves are choppy to indicate that the pilgrimage of life is not always on calm waters. Oftentimes personal circumstances and world events call for a greater sense of hope. This is why the lower part of the Cross is elongated turning into an anchor, which dominates the movement of the waves. As is well known, the anchor has often been used as a metaphor for hope. In fact, in maritime jargon, the hope anchor is the name given to the spare anchor, used by vessels for emergency maneuvers to stabilize the ship during storms. It should be noted that the image shows how the pilgrim's journey is not individual, but rather communal, with the signs of a growing dynamism that moves more and more toward the Cross. The Cross is by no means static, but it, too, is dynamic, bending toward and meeting humanity as if not to leave it alone, but rather offering the certainty of its presence and the reassurance of hope. Finally, the Jubilee 2025 Motto, *Pilgrims of Hope* is clearly visible in the colour green.

**CROAGH PATRICK** Interested in participating in a pilgrimage to the holy Reek from Duleek & Donore Parishes please keep Sat 20<sup>th</sup> August free and book your seat on the bus by contacting Caroline at the Parish office. Even if you may not be able to do much climbing you are welcome to come along and join with us.



Pope Francis speaking at the Angelus in St. Peter's Square last Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. "Let us continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and in the entire world. I appeal to the heads of nations and international organizations to react to the tendency to accentuate conflict and confrontation. The world needs peace. Not a peace based on the balance of weapons, on mutual fear. No, that will not do. This means turning history back seventy years. The Ukrainian crisis should have been, but - if there is the will - can still become a challenge for wise statesmen, capable of building, with dialogue, a better world for the new generations. With God's help, this is always possible! But it is necessary to pass from the strategies of

political, economic and military power to a plan for global peace: no to a world divided between conflicting powers; yes to a world united between peoples and civilizations that respect each other."