

### NEWSLETTER TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY YEAR C

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

**Sunday** 11am Marian McGinn.

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

Sunday 11am Seamus Craven.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

**Saturday 6:30pm** Missa pro populo.

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MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): € 165 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 520

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



ON RECENTLY CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE WE CONGRATULATE:
Edel Faulkner & Ciaran Duffy.



"Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. The ecumenical phase begins on 1 September with the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and concludes on 4 October with the feast of Saint Francis. It is a special time for all Christians to pray and work together to care for our common home.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Lotto: 7,13,16,23** No jackpot winner. Consolation prizes €25 Orla Cooney & Mark Cooney. Next week's jackpot €5670. Reserve jackpot €1950.

**The Drogheda and District Men's Shed** will be holding their Open Day on Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup> from 11am-3pm at Mullaghcrone on the road L1601 to Donore (A92 D566). New members always welcome. For more info ring 041 9876800 or email droghedamensheds@gmail.com

# SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087-0931068

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION

& Fr. Anthony will call to

housebound.

**CALLS** This Thursday Fr. Mark

parishioners who are sick and

007-0931000

#### ACCORD

For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

# 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



Hard to believe the summer holidays are almost over! As the school bags are dusted down and repacked and the schools gates open again, we wish all the children, students, families, teachers and staff, every blessing as the new academic year commences. Special good wishes to the infants starting school and the First Years beginning Post Primary education.

# APOSTOLIC LETTER **DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI** "I have earnestly desired" OF THE HOLY FATHER **POPE FRANCIS** ON THE LITURGICAL FORMATION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

The need for a serious and vital liturgical formation

33. It is the community of Pentecost that is able to break the Bread in the certain knowledge that the Lord is alive, risen from the dead, present with his word, with his gestures, with the offering of His Body and His Blood. From that moment on the celebration became the privileged place — though not the only one — of an encounter with Him. We know that only thanks to the grace of this encounter does a human being become fully human. Only the Church of Pentecost can conceive of the human being as a person, open to a full relationship with God, with creation, and with one's brothers and sisters. 34. In this is posed the decisive question of liturgical formation. Romano Guardini says, "Here too the first practical task is indicated: carried along by this inner transformation of our time, we must learn anew how to relate religiously as fully human beings." This is what the Liturgy makes possible. For this we must be formed. Guardini does not hesitate to declare that without liturgical formation "then ritual and textual reforms won't help much." I do not intend to treat here in an exhaustive way the very rich theme of liturgical formation. I only want to offer some starting points for reflection. I think two aspects can be distinguished: formation for the Liturgy and formation by the Liturgy. The first depends upon the second which is essential. 35. It was and is necessary to find the channels for a formation that is the study of Liturgy. From the beginning of the liturgical movement much has been done in this regard, with precious contributions from scholars and academic institutions. Nonetheless, it is important now to spread this knowledge beyond the academic environment, in an accessible way, so that each one of the faithful might grow in a knowledge of the theological sense of the Liturgy. This is the decisive question, and it grounds every kind of understanding and every liturgical practice. It also grounds the very celebration itself, helping each and all to acquire the capacity to comprehend the euchological texts, the ritual dynamics, and their anthropological significance. **36.** I think of the regular rhythm of our assemblies that come together to celebrate the Eucharist on the Lord's Day, Sunday after Sunday, Easter after Easter, at particular moments in the life of each single person and of the communities, in all the different ages of life. Ordained ministers carry out a pastoral action of the first importance when they take the baptized faithful by the hand to lead them into the repeated experience of the Paschal Mystery. Let us always remember that it is the Church, the Body of Christ, that is the celebrating subject and not just the priest. The kind of knowledge that comes from study is just the first step to be able to enter into the mystery celebrated. Obviously, to be able to lead their brothers and sisters, the ministers who preside in the assembly must know the way, know it from having studied it on the map of their theological studies but also from having frequented the liturgy in actual practice of an experience of living faith, nourished by prayer — and certainly not just as an obligation to be fulfilled. On the day of his ordination every priest hears the bishop say to him: "Understand what you will do, imitate what you will celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's Cross."

**VISITING THE SICK** Please 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 will be remembered in prayers and if possible the Priests will make arrangements to visit them.

**FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS** When parishioners are no longer able to attend Mass with the advancement of old age or due to ill health Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony can call with Holy Communion for the First Fridays of every month. A Minister of Holy Communion may also bring Holy Communion to the house after the weekend Mass.

**PRAYER TO ST. MONICA, PATRON OF MOTHERS.** Lord Jesus, you were moved by the prayers and tears of St. Monica and you gave the grace of conversion to St. Augustine her son. Touch our hearts and convert us from fear to love, from sickness to health and from conflict to peace of mind. Bless all mothers, living or dead, known or unknown, married, single or widowed. May our lives draw others to love you Lord; for it was at your altar that Saint Monica wanted to be remembered. St. Monica, pray for us. (*Feast Day of St. Monica* 27th August)