



## NEWSLETTER TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY YEAR C

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022

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Tuesday - Thursday 10am - 5pm

### MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am James Brady; Dodie Doonan.

Tuesday 9am

No Mass this Wednesday (9:30am Bellewstown)

Thursday 9am

No Mass this Friday (9:30am in Duleek)

Sunday 11am Anne Walker

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm Joe & Mary Shiels & dec family.

Saturday 6:30pm Missa pro populo



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket collection): € 288

PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 326

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

The Parish Office will be closed from 22<sup>nd</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> September. Any queries can be emailed to [duleekparish@gmail.com](mailto:duleekparish@gmail.com) or alternatively please speak to Fr. Mark or Fr. Anthony after Mass

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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)

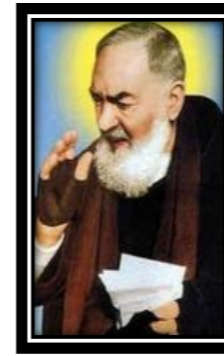
### VOCATIONS

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

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 4,6,12,23 No jackpot winner. Consolation prizes €25 Ita Devlin & Frank Heskin. Next week's jackpot €5750. Reserve jackpot €2,100. Next draw Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

**CHOIR DIRECTOR** The position of Choir Director is currently vacant in Duleek and Donore. We begin the process of seeking to employ, as regulated by the Irish Church Music guidelines, a person with the relevant skills to lead the choir in both churches. If anyone knows of a person who may be interested in assisting with the provision of music and song at the Sunday Mass with these choirs please draw their attention to this position. Also in our parishes new parishioners recently moved in may have a passion for singing or playing an instrument. We would be delighted to welcome you to join our choirs or to assist in some way with the music for Masses in Bellewstown, Duleek, Donore or Rossnaree. It is a wonderful way to celebrate your skills or talents by getting more involved with the liturgical ministry of our Faith Communities. Please contact Caroline in the Parish Office for more info.



**ST. PADRE PIO** The 23<sup>rd</sup> September is the Feast Day of a saint who has become one of the most popular saints to whom Catholics throughout the world have a devotion. He was the Franciscan priest of San Giovanni Rotondo in Italy who received the stigmata like the founder of the Franciscans, St. Francis of Assisi. The stigmata is the representation of the wounds our Lord suffered when crucified. Relics of St. Padre Pio including many of the mittens which he wore to cover the sore holes in his hands, are held by devotees here in Ireland and are brought to many when sick or dying. Through his intercession many have been cured or received the grace to cope with their Cross in life. Our school in Knockcommon is dedicated to Padre Pio as Patron Saint. In recognition of this affiliation and to aid the devotion so many hold in his name, a new statue is installed and blessed this weekend in Donore at the

11am Mass. For this occasion Relics are present as we implore the intercession of St. Padre Pio for our parish.

St. Padre Pio's life on earth, touched many lives and it continues to do so. There are still many ways we can learn from this great saint's preaching. Here are five quotes of his that we can apply to our lives and learn from every day. "You don't have to be worthy, you only have to be willing." "God will never permit anything to happen to us that is not for our greater good." "God will always give us more than we deserve." "Serve the Lord with laughter." "Pray, hope, don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayers."

**PRAYER TO ST. PADRE PIO** Glorious, humble and beloved Padre Pio. Teach us, we pray, humility of heart, so that we may be counted among the little ones of the Gospel to whom the Father promised to reveal the mysteries of His Kingdom. Help us to pray without ceasing, certain that God knows what we need even before we ask Him. Amen.



Listen to the Voice of creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Burning Bush Ex 3:1-2

We are halfway into the *Season of Creation*, this season of action and prayer for the care of creation, an ecumenical time to gather with our Christian brothers and sisters, and also to connect with Mother Earth. But how to live a truly sustainable Season of Creation? There are many and very diverse ways, related to inner and outer sustainability. Each person will have to discern, according to their state of life, the one that best suits them. Today we suggest six ways, inspired by the commitments that the members of the Secretariat of the *Laudato Si'* Movement are making for this Season of Creation: **Meditate 15 minutes every morning**: Before starting with each day's obligations, take 15 minutes to meditate and pray to connect with God and nature, and give thanks

for another day of life. If it is outdoors and in silence, so much the better. You can also use tools to help you, such as rereading *Laudato Si'* or going to the *Laudato Si'* Movement Prayer Book. **Don't make unnecessary purchases**: We are surrounded by things we don't really need. Make a resolution to live for a few days with what is necessary. Reuse and recycle things you find in your home and go to second hand stores if you need a specific product. **Take a daily walk**: Connecting with nature (even if you live in a city) and with your own body is essential to be in harmony with the spirit. Take the opportunity to contemplate and give thanks for what surrounds you. Going for a walk, jogging or cycling will disconnect you from the pressures of the day and connect you more with yourself.

**Encourage your family and**

**friends to recycle**: You may have already gotten into the good habit of recycling or composting. Now it's your turn to "evangelize" others with these actions that help us take care of our common home and ourselves. **Share content about the Season of Creation on social media**: If you are overwhelmed by the amount of content on social media, and sometimes get caught in a "scroll addiction", take advantage of this space to share educational content about the Season of Creation or about climate justice and the need to be aware of the serious era we are living in. **Prepare vegetarian recipes**: Implement vegetarian recipes in your menu more often. Avoid processed foods and meats. Be conscious of what you consume, alienating body, mind and spirit.

### CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

This weekend we announce the Sacramental Dates for 2023. It is important that those families seeking the gift of these sacraments take time and make effort in preparing their children by participating in the Parish Masses and other pastoral activities provided throughout the pastoral year leading up to the celebration of the sacraments. The sacraments are much more than just a one day event or party but an ongoing encounter with the Risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the merciful love of Our Heavenly Father. We implore the guidance and intercession of Our Lady, St. Joseph and all the saints as we journey together as a Faith Community at home, at church and at school. Enrolment Forms for the children, with the support of their families, who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and make their First Holy Communion, will be distributed after Mass over the weekends of 8/9<sup>th</sup> & 15/16<sup>th</sup> October. Enrolment weekend will take place on Mission Sunday 22/23<sup>rd</sup> October when we will celebrate *Mission - You will be My Witnesses!*

### CONFIRMATION 1<sup>st</sup> March Feast of St. David;

FIRST CONFESSION 11<sup>th</sup> March; FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 13<sup>th</sup> May

Times for all ceremonies to be confirmed later.



**THANKING GOD AND CELEBRATING THE HARVEST NEXT WEEKEND 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> October.** The children of Sixth Class will assist with preparing the harvest display. As a gesture of our gratitude to God for all

that we are so blessed to have and for the good produce of the land, everyone is invited to bring some none perishable foods to leave at the altar. These gifts will be given to the Capuchin Day Centre in Dublin.

