



NEWSLETTER THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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Tuesday - Thursday 10am - 5pm



HAPPY Christmas!! Gathering to honour Our Saviour's Birthday
let us give thanks to God and count our blessings!



Christmas - a time of faith, hope and love! For most of us it is a happy time but in prayer we support those who have to cope with illness or other tough concerns. Know that God is with you - Emmanuel; Christ the Lord. A sincere word of thanks to the local St. Vincent de Paul Society and to all volunteers who so generously contribute to making Christmas a little less stressed and a lot happier for those most in need in our community. We also want to thank the many parishioners who assist with the pastoral, spiritual and financial needs of our parish, especially with looking after the churches, helping at the Masses, sharing in the work at the parish office, the parish grounds, the cemeteries and in the parish schools throughout the year. Special greetings to those home for Christmas and to new parishioners spending their first Christmas with us in Duleek & Bellewstown; Donore & Rossnaree. It has been such a difficult time following the pandemic, with the war in Ukraine and the uncertain economic atmosphere adding to the costs of living, so let us experience the true gift of Christmas and come to appreciate our identity with Jesus Our Saviour, born in the poverty of a stable and fleeing with Mary and Joseph as a refugees to Egypt before it was safe to return to Nazareth; this is how God gifted humanity and continues to be with us. So this Christmas Day may the Light of Christ light up our lives, illuminate the darkness which prevails in our world and shine the Light of Heaven brightly for all our dead, especially remembering those who have died since our last Christmas. Assuring you all of our prayers and wishing you and your families, peace and joy as you celebrate our Saviour's birthday.

Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony.

As a New Year resolution do consider committing an hour or even a half an hour to Adoration before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and praying for the needs of our local community and of the world at this time. *Adoration every Tuesday in Donore Church until 10am.*



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 (1ST-6TH AUGUST) will be celebrated in Lisbon, Portugal. It is a massive weeklong event, with Pope Francis, for young Catholics (aged 18-35) to gather and participate in from every corner of the world. Consider joining with others from your parish and the Diocese of Meath to share this experience of belonging to Jesus Christ. Perhaps it could be a great Christmas present for your family to support you with as you book your place. Cost €650 approx. All expenses included. To find out more checkout www.dioceseofmeath.ie Meath Diocese WYD.



If anyone has Christmas presents that they were given and have no great need for them and would like to give them to charity you may leave them at the crib in the churches. Can you mark the presents for men/women/children and age group.

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Christmas Eve 8pm *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*

Christmas Day 11am *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*

St Stephen's Day *No Mass (10am in Duleek)*

Tuesday 10am Patrick Lawlor *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am*

No Mass this Wednesday (10am in Bellewstown)

No Mass this Thursday (10am in Duleek)

Friday 10am Peter & Mary Geraghty.

New Year's Day 11am *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Christmas Eve 6pm *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*

New Year's Eve 6.30pm *Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World day of Prayer for Peace.*

ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

Christmas Eve **5pm & 9pm**

Christmas Day **9am & 12 Noon**

St Stephen's Day **10am**

ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN Christmas Eve **7pm** Christmas Day **10am**



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Offering): € 461
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 398
Donore Parish Development Fund Account Number:
IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



If you prefer to use this QR code instead of the basket collection just scan your phone over it and follow the guide.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Lotto: 2, 5, 9, 13 No jackpot winner. 3 match 3's €20 Sharon Brereton; Maggie Clinton; Aileen Owens. Christmas draw 4 x €25 Diane Guildea; Sean & Collette Wall; Orla Cooney; Robert Callaghan. Jackpot €6,010 and reserve jackpot €2,460, next draw will take place 09/01/2023.
Meath Befriending Service aims to help reduce loneliness and isolation through a weekly home visit from a Befriender. To avail of this service or make a referral contact Eva 0858622496 or email eva.ofarrell@meathpartnership.ie

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