



NEWSLETTER FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION This week in our parishes of Donore and Duleek we have the privilege of welcoming Bishop Tom and celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Perhaps as a consequence of the pandemic, we have had time to appreciate even more the gift of the Sacraments in our lives. Such occasions are sacred events in the family and our whole faith community: Sacred encounters with God and the great communion of the saints, in which we the baptised are part off here on earth as we journey towards the promise of

Heaven. We so easily take things for granted but now in light of what we have experienced in recent years during the Covid pandemic, let us celebrate with renewed zeal the grace of the Holy Spirit to inspire and direct our lives, to protect and bless our families, especially those celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. As we pray for all the Confirmation candidates let us ponder the words of Pope Francis with regard the Sacrament of Confirmation. *“When we welcome the Holy Spirit into our hearts and allow him to act, Christ makes himself present in us and takes shape in our lives; through us, it will be he – Christ himself – who prays, forgives, gives hope and consolation, serves the brethren, draws close the needy and to the least, creates community and sows peace. Think how important this is: by means of the Holy Spirit, Christ himself comes to do all this among us and for us. That is why it is important that children and young people receive the Sacrament of Confirmation”.*

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Joe Haggins.

Tuesday 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am

Wednesday 7.30am Mass for Lent St Cianán’s Church, Duleek

Wednesday 10am, 12noon & 2pm Confirmation Ceremonies St Cianán’s Church, Duleek

Thursday 9am Missa pro populo

First Friday 9am Parish List of the Dead

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm Peter & Mary Harding; Elizabeth Kelly; Jack Waters.

Saturday 6:30pm Paddy Kinsella; Teresa Smith.

ST. CIANÁN’S, DULEEK

Saturday 7.30pm Sunday **9am & 12noon** Tuesday/Thursday/Friday **9.30am**

ST. THÉRÉSE’S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10.00am No Mass this Wednesday

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION

CALLS This Thursday Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony will call to parishioners who are sick and housebound.



As we begin our spiritual journey of Lent, our sacred time of ‘operation transformation’ set aside an extra bit of time for prayer, daily Mass, or Eucharistic Adoration. Maybe set up a sacred space/altar in your home with the Bible at the centre and use the Trocaire Box as a visible reminder of how fortunate we are and of what we can share with those whose needs are greater.

And of course we are called to give up some favourite

foods/sweets or even T.V., iPad or Facebook time as a way of fasting for Lent! Remember that as Catholics we are a

sked to abstain from meat every Friday and if possible every Wednesday, so perhaps you might also consider keeping this practice for Lent! During Lent there will be Mass every Wednesday morning at 7.30am in St Cianán’s Church, Duleek. Fr. Mark will also host a zoom meet every Thursday from 8:30-9pm for Lectio Divina; a shared reflection upon the Sunday Gospels of Lent.

Lent a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving

Trocaire Boxes can be picked up in the churches. www.trocaire.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR TURKEY/SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL A second Offertory collection will take place at all Masses this weekend to support the relief effort for those most in need following the loss and devastation following the earthquakes. Donations can also be made by online payment to Duleek Parish IBAN IE27AIBK93239604161358 using reference Earthquake Appeal. All donations received will be sent to the local catholic church in both regions affected, this will be done through the Papal Nunciature in Dublin.



“Let us continue to stay close, with prayer and concrete support, to the earthquake victims in Syria and Turkey. I saw on the television programme “A Sua Immagine” the images of this catastrophe, the pain of these peoples who are suffering as a result of the earthquake. Let us pray for them, let us not forget them, let us pray and think about what we can do for them. And let us not forget tormented Ukraine: may the Lord open ways of peace and give those responsible the courage to follow them.” Pope Francis Angelus Sunday 12th February 2023 St Peter’s Square 12th February 2023 St Peter’s Square



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Offering): € 235
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 720
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: 14, 20, 21, 24 No jackpot winner.
Consolation prizes €50 Eleanor Flanagan
Next week’s jackpot €6,150.

Duleek Cystic Fibrosis 10K Remembrance Run 30/04/2023 @ 2:00pm. To remember & celebrate the lives of Kelley, Cathy & all of our beautiful CF loved ones. All proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis Ireland. FB page <https://www.facebook.com/duleekcf10>
St Andrews Chamber Orchestra concert in aid of The Alzheimer Society of Ireland Drogheda Branch, Tuesday 28th Feb @ 7.30pm in St Peters Church of Ireland. Tickets on sale St Peter’s Church, Noel Heeney 0861045125 or Ann Shortt 0872893698.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Would you like to help those in need of support and friendship?
Join our local SVP Team to help with visitation, IT or accounting.
For volunteer information please email Kathryn.corrigan@svp.ie or freephone 1800 677 777 (2)

