



NEWSLETTER FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

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Tuesday – Thursday 1am-5pm



Thank you, Lord, for all mothers. On this day let us think of them; Whether they are with us or gone to their heavenly reward. We think of their kindness their compassion, their care for us and all their unconditional love. We pray that you will watch over them and support them in the joys and struggles of their daily lives. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
A Prayer for Mother's Day from The Family Book of Prayers



THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Laetare Sunday marks the half way point on our Lenten Journey 2023. Laetare means 'rejoice'! We rejoice in the unconditional love of God! We express our love in turn through the prayer, fasting and almsgiving we undertake as penance for our sins which ignored the love God has for us. Yet he is always merciful, always awaiting our return to Him as we recognise the folly of our ways, of our sins. Rejoice in the Lord! May these remaining weeks of Lent restore our relationship with God and one another as we appreciate the bond of communion

Christ Jesus has made between heaven and earth, between us, the sons and daughters of God Our Father. "Come back to God with all your heart." Let us pray for reconciliation and healing of relationships within the family! Rejoice in the Lord! May we all grow in appreciation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and encourage others to experience anew the joy of God's grace and merciful love. *Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen*

Lectio Divina zoom meet Thursday 8:30-9pm contact the Parish Office for the zoom link. www.trocaire.org

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am James Domegan

Monday 9am *Feast of St Joseph*

No Mass this Tuesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am (9.30am Mass St Cianán's Church, Duleek)

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

Thursday 9am Missa pro populo

Friday 9am Missa pro populo

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm Patrick & Mary Gough

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ST. CIANÁN'S, DULEEK

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

Saturday 25th March *Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord 9:30am*

ST. THÉRÈSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10.00am **Wednesday 9.30am**

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Offering): € 265
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 314.50
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: 28, 23, 24, 25 No jackpot winner. Consolation prizes €25 Helen Fagan & Linda Dunne. Next week's jackpot €6,210.

Donore Rossnaree Parish Development Group will be holding their AGM on Thursday 30th March @ 8pm in Donore Parish Hall. All welcome. New members required.

Duleek Cardiac First Response Group are holding a fundraising table quiz in The Carranstown Lodge on Thursday 6th April starting at 9pm. Tickets for our Easter raffle are now on sale priced €3 each from all responders, Haven pharmacy, Duleek and Duleek Dry Cleaners.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Helpline 1800 677 777 or
contact 087-0931068

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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

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2023 on the theme: "Lenten Penance and the Synodal Journey"

"On hearing the Father's voice, the disciples 'fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and do not be afraid.' And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone" (Mt 17:6-8). Here is the second proposal for this Lent: do not take refuge in a religiosity made up of extraordinary events and dramatic experiences, out of fear of facing reality and its daily struggles, its hardships and contradictions. The light that Jesus shows the disciples is an anticipation of Easter glory, and that must be the goal of our own journey, as we follow "him alone". Lent leads to Easter: the "retreat" is not an end in itself, but a means of preparing us to experience the Lord's passion and cross with faith, hope and love, and thus to arrive at the resurrection. Also on the synodal journey, when God gives us the grace of certain powerful experiences of communion, we should not imagine that we have arrived – for there too, the Lord repeats to us: "Rise, and do not be afraid". Let us go down, then, to the plain, and may the grace we have experienced strengthen us to be "artisans of synodality" in the ordinary life of our communities. Dear brothers and sisters, may the Holy Spirit inspire and sustain us this Lent in our ascent with Jesus, so that we may experience his divine splendour and thus, confirmed in faith, persevere in our journey together with him, glory of his people and light of the nations." See www.vatican.va for full text

PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY "The Parish Pastoral Assembly is concerned with people and the Christian faith, hope and love that shapes them into a real, living and caring Community who strive to live as faithful disciples of Jesus in a spirit of service and influence in the wider world. Such an authentic Christian community promotes Gospel values of love, justice and peace, always reaches out beyond itself to bring the good news of the Gospel to others, especially the poor, those on the margins of society. Areas of pastoral focus for a Parish Pastoral Assembly may include: • Proclamation of the Word of God • Faith formation and catechesis • Parish liturgical celebrations and liturgical ministry • Bringing Catholic insights and action to social issues such as alcohol, drugs, poverty, housing, refugees, etc, which affect the life of the parish • Support for family life • Evangelisation • Effective, vibrant parish communication through social media platforms • Promoting the prayer life and the faith life of the parish • Promotion of vocations • Support for the faith life of young people • Familiarity with the Scriptures • Care of people - the poor, elderly, the bereaved, those with additional needs and those who live alone, etc • Outreach to newcomers to a parish • Outreach to those on the margins of the Church and society • Developing appropriate parish policies regarding such issues as the times and number of Masses • Ecumenism • Building up good relationships with other Parish Pastoral Councils in the local area, the deanery and the diocese • Pastoral care of the sick, those in hospital, the dying • Supporting the implementation of safeguarding children/vulnerable persons policies and procedures • Outreach to lapsed Catholics or 'new seekers' • Promoting 'Care for our Common home • Outreach to ethnic groups • Ongoing skills training and formation for those on the Parish Pastoral Council and for others in the parish • Developing broad programmes of renewal and faith formation The above outline does not detail a comprehensive list of pastoral concerns, nor are they prioritised in any particular order, as each individual parish will have its own particular pastoral needs." During the weeks of Lent let us reflect and pray in preparation for the forming of our Parish Pastoral Assembly in the Season of Easter.

