



NEWSLETTER SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH
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30TH JULY 2023

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Tuesday – Thursday 1am-5pm

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo

No Mass on Tuesday (9:30am Duleek)

No Mass on Wednesday (9:30am Bellewstown)

Thursday 9am Parish List of the Dead

No Mass on Friday (9:30am Duleek)

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6.30pm Missa pro populo

Saturday 6:30pm Brian Burke & dec family; Sean O'Neill; John & Fiona Martin; John Mongey; Christopher Nugent; Michael & Clare Reilly.

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION

CALLS Fr. Anthony will call as usual this Thursday to the Duleek list. Fr. Mark will do the Donore list on Wednesday 8th



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 370
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 339
Donore Fund Account:
IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND;
Alan Connor, The Steeples, Duleek.

CHY3 FORMS The Parish Office will be sending correspondence over the next couple of weeks to parishioners with regard to the Tax Rebate which all charities (including parishes) can benefit from. It can generate a substantial amount at no cost to the individual. All who contribute €250 or more in offerings over the year can claim the rebate. Please kindly return the completed forms at your earliest convenience. As ever many thanks to everyone for your support.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 12, 16, 17, 24 No jackpot winner.
Consolation prizes €25 Louise Bolger & Ian Howard
Next week's Jackpot €6,590.
Reserve Jackpot €3,330.

St Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collection will take place at all Masses on Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th August.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline 1800 677 777 or
contact 087-0931068

ACCORD

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

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

A process for anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. More info on all the above on www.dioceseofmeath.ie



WORLD YOUTH DAY 1ST- 6TH AUGUST 2023 Bishop Tom and forty-four young pilgrims travel to Lisbon for this eagerly anticipated world gathering with Pope Francis. The week begins on Tuesday with the Opening Mass being celebrated in the city centre. On the following days across the Lisbon the youth will attend *Rise Up Encounters*, a series of talks, discussions, prayer and reflections. In the evenings there are a variety of cultural, religious and festival events to celebrate the joy of this global gathering of young Catholics. On Thursday evening Pope Francis will preside over the Welcome Ceremony and on Friday afternoon he will guide the pilgrims in the Way of the Cross. The pilgrims on Saturday set out on a 10k pilgrimage walk to the site of the WYD Papal Prayer Vigil and Mass on Sunday, the Feast of the Transfiguration. At the conclusion of this WYD Mass Pope Francis will bless the youth for the ongoing Mission which we all share as the witnesses to Christ, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima. Pray for our Diocesan Group and follow them online www.dioceseofmeath.com. See also www.lisboa2023.org.

DULEEK & DONORE PARISHES PILGRIMAGE 2023 SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST *The Lough Derg Camino*



Join with Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony as we again follow in the way of St. Patrick! This year we make the Pilgrim Path along the lake shore overlooking the Station Island of Lough Derg, St. Patrick's Purgatory, Co. Donegal. By chance a national event is happening when we are there to mark this being the Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations (see www.loughderg.org lakeshore-pilgrimage for more info). The walk is reduced to 8k so as to enable everyone to be ferried over to St. Patrick's Purgatory. On the Station Island we will have a wonderful opportunity to see and understand this sacred place. While there we will join in the national prayer service, followed by refreshments; so no fasting or bare feet!! If you or your family is interested we need to get the total numbers travelling soon due to costs of transport. **To book your seat on the bus please contact Caroline at the Parish Office.** Even if you may not be able to do much walking you are welcome to come along and join with us. Children up to 18 years of age will need to be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or guardian to comply with our Safe-guarding policy. You'll need good comfortable footwear with strong ankle support. Perhaps bring a good walking stick too. A wee bag to carry on your back may be useful as everyone will need to carry water, some sweets/bars etc and of course weather can be unpredictable so it is advisable to have raingear and also a warm top as it can change considerably when out on the boat and Island. The celebration of Mass will take place along the Pilgrim Path way. Refreshments will be provided on the Island and on the way home if still 'hungry' we will stop in Cavan for a bite to eat. Donation only for the bus and for St. Patrick's Purgatory/Station Island. Looking forward to another special pilgrimage together!



MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK takes place on Sunday 13th August. Anyone interested in going can book their free seat on the Parish Bus, please contact Caroline in Duleek Parish Office on 041-9823205 or email duleekparish@gmail.com. The bus will be leaving Donore Church at 7.15am and will stop for food at The Richmond Inn, Cloon Dara on the way home.

Homily words of Pope Francis last Sunday in St. Peter's at the Mass for the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents & the Elderly.

Jesus tells us that the kingdom of heaven is the work of God acting silently in the course of history, to the point of seeming small and invisible, like a tiny mustard seed. Yet, when this seed grows, "it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches". Brothers and sisters, our lives are like this too, for we come into the world so small; we become adults, then grow old. At the beginning we are like a small seed; then we are nourished by hopes, and our plans and dreams come to fruition, the most beautiful of which become like the tree that does not live for itself but gives shade to all who desire it and offers space to those who wish to build a nest there. Thus those who *grow together* in this parable are ultimately the mature tree and the little birds. Here I think of our grandparents: how beautiful are these thriving trees, in whose "branches" children and grandchildren build their own "nests", learning the warmth of home and experiencing the tenderness of an embrace. This is about growing together: the verdant tree and the little ones who need a nest, grandparents with their children and grandchildren, the elderly with the youngest. Brothers and sisters, how much we need a new bond between young and old, so that the sap of those who have a long experience of life behind them will nourish the shoots of hope of those who are growing. In this fruitful exchange we can learn the beauty of life, build a fraternal society, and in the Church be enabled to encounter one another and dialogue between tradition and the newness of the Spirit. [] Brothers and sisters, God's word calls us not to separate ourselves, close in on ourselves or think we can do it alone, but to *grow together*. Let us listen to each other, talk together and support one another. Let us not forget our grandparents or the elderly, for so often we have been lifted up, gotten back on track, felt loved and been healed within, all by a caress of theirs. They have made sacrifices for us, and we cannot let them drop down the list of our priorities. Let us grow together, let us go forward together. May the Lord bless our journey!

