



NEWSLETTER TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH
PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY
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20TH AUGUST 2023

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Tuesday – Thursday 1am-5pm

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo
Tuesday 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am
Wednesday 9am Missa pro populo
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Sunday 11am Hanna & Christy Coleman.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6.30pm Missa pro populo

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MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 230
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Priest Offerings): € 376
Many thanks for your generous contribution to the Priests Offering Day last weekend.

Donore Fund Account:
IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



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

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 their support.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 9, 11, 13, 16 No Jackpot winner
Consolation prizes K Craven €50
Next week's jackpot €3,410.

50th Anniversary of the East Meath Pioneer Region Mass will be held at 3pm in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Johnstown Sunday 24th September 2023 followed by dinner and social evening in the Ardboyne Hotel, Navan. Tickets €30. Presentation of Pioneer Silver, Gold, and Diamond Emblems and certificates will be made on the day to eligible members, if you are due one of these please let us know. Tickets are now available from the regional committee, and from local centres. For further information contact Jim 0876501915, Mary 086 3592636 or Chris 087 6766586

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

STUDIES COMPLETED In October 2020 when we were all coping with the second lockdown a priest from Nigeria arrived to Maynooth for post-graduate studies! The accommodation arrangements for him in the Archdiocese of Dublin fell through and a request was made to see if any diocese would be in a position to offer a place. The Diocese of Meath was able to respond with the offer of a place to stay here in Duleek and so it was that Fr. Anthony Ayoola came to us! Fr. John and everyone really made Duleek a “home from home” for Fr. Anthony and offered great support as he pursued his studies. Fr. Anthony is delighted to have completed his studies and another priest will soon arrive to begin post-graduate studies here in Ireland. We congratulate Fr. Anthony on his academic work and thank him most sincerely for his pastoral contribution to our Faith Communities in Duleek and Donore Parishes during these past three years with us. I am most grateful to Fr. Anthony for easing me into life here when I took up my new appointments in July 2021 and I look forward to someday visiting Fr. Anthony when he is back in Nigeria! Fr. Anthony leaves on the 31st of August so next weekend will be a farewell for now! A priest I once worked with abroad never said “goodbyes” but always “to be continued”. So it will be with our friendship with Fr. Anthony; “to be continued”!



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 by Wednesday!** 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!



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT During the World Youth Day Pope Francis spoke these words, “Dear young friends, today we too need something of this burst of light, so that it can fill us with hope as we face the many failures of each day and the darkness that assails us in life, and respond to them with the light of the resurrection of Jesus. For he is the light that never sets, the light that shines even in the dead of night. As the priest Ezra said, God has illumined our eyes. Our God illumines: he illumines our vision, our hearts, our minds, our desire to do something with our lives. The Lord's light always shines. Yet, I would like to tell you that we do not radiate light by putting ourselves in the spotlight, for that type of light is blinding. No, we cannot illumine others by projecting a perfect, well-ordered, refined image of ourselves, or by appearing to be powerful and successful, strong but without light. No, we radiate light – we shine – by welcoming Jesus into our hearts and learning to love as he does. To love like Jesus: that is what makes us shine, makes us do works of love. Friends, I am telling you the truth: whenever you do works of love, you become light”. Spending time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament we are bathed in the great light and love of God. Pope Francis encouraged the young people to go and spend time in adoration. Giving time to Jesus who gives us everything in the name of the Father! Jesus gave his Body on the Cross for love of God and for all humanity. Come behold this wonderous presence exposed in the monstrance. **Come on Tuesdays in adoration in Donore church after 9am Mass until 10am; on Tuesday evenings in Duleek church from 6-7pm; on Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30am in Bellewstown church and from September every Saturday evening in Duleek church there will be a directed Holy Hour of adoration and benediction from 5:30-6:30pm with the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6:30 – 7pm. Make the time and invite another person to join with you for quiet contemplation and prayerful intercession for the needs of all in our community and in the world at large.**



HOSPITALITY On the second Sunday of every month a cuppa will be provided after the 11am Mass in Donore. Everyone is welcome as we share a few minutes of hospitality, especially getting to know new parishioners or visitors passing by. Feel free to bring a few buns etc any Sunday!

